

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to Robert Stark SC58
Audited Account Microfilm file No. 7310

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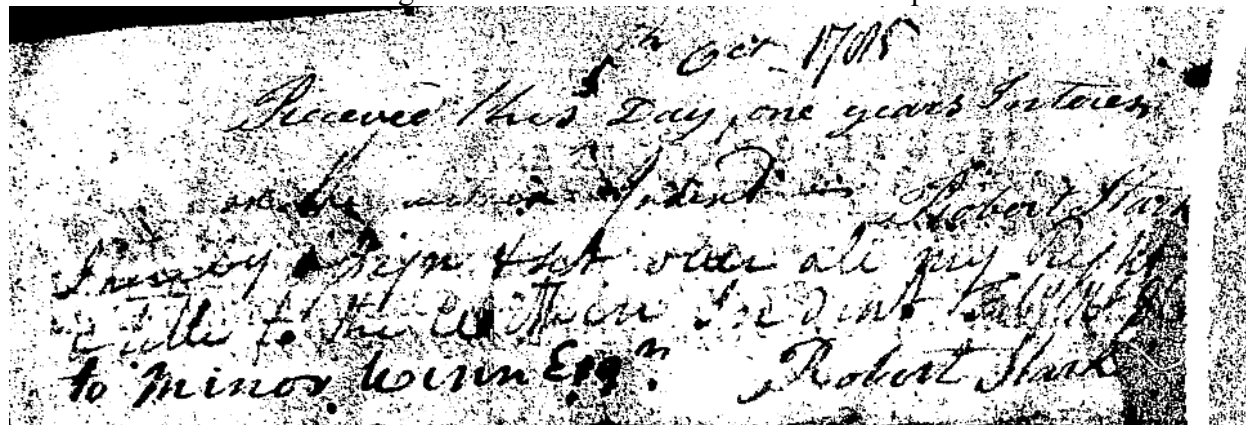
Transcribed by Will Graves

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[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. The word 'illegible' or 'indecipherable' appearing in brackets indicates that at the time I made the transcription, I was unable to decipher the word or phrase in question. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading skills fail to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8th of June 1786." Please call material errors or omissions to my attention.]

[p 2: An indent dated October 1, 1784 was issued to Robert Stark by South Carolina in the amount of 94 pounds Sterling "being the Balance of Pay and Bounty due him for Services in that Regiment [the Regiment commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Samuel Hammond] from the 1st day of April 1782 to the date of the indent.]

[p 3 appears to be a receipt dated October 5, 1785 for one year's interest on the indent signed by Robert Stark as well as an assignment of his indent to Minor Winn Esquire.



Received this Day one years Interest
on the inden^t of Robert Stark
I hereby sign that over all pay due
to the said Robert Stark
to Minor Winn Esq^r. Robert Stark

[p 6: An indent dated June 3, 1785 was issued to Robert Stark, Jr., by South Carolina in the amount of twenty-five Pounds, two Shillings and ten Pence, farthing, Sterling "for Militia Duty as Private since the reduction of Charleston" [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780].

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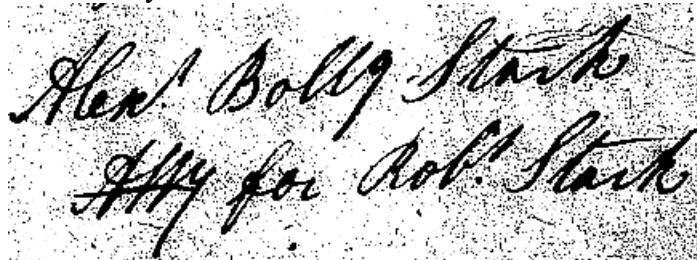
To the Honorable the President and the Honorable the Members of the Senate of the State of South Carolina

¹ The South Carolina Audited Accounts are available on microfilm at the South Carolina Department of Archives & History in Columbia, SC. They will eventually be available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>. The "SC" file number has been assigned by the administrator of this website for indexing purposes only and is not an officially recognized file number.

² The documents in this file appear to relate to more than one veteran named "Robert Stark." Not being able to differentiate them, I have included transcripts or excerpts from the documents I could read.

The humble petition of Alexander Bolling Stark Sheweth that Robert Stark Esquire late of Edgefield County Ninety Six District and State aforesaid half served in the Army at the Cherokee Expedition,³ the Siege of Savannah,⁴ and was taken a prisoner in Defense of his Country when White Hall [the name of Andrew Williamson's plantation on Hard Labour Creek in Ninety Six District SC]⁵ was surrendered & was conveyed in Irons to Charleston & there confined until long after the General Exchange took place – for which the said Robert Stark has never received any consideration. Your petitioner therefore prays that the Legislature of the State aforesaid will grant an Indent as a Compensation for the many Services done for, and injuries suffered in behalf of this State &c And your Petitioner &c

S/ Alex^r Boll^g Stark
Atty for Robert Stark

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alex^r Boll^g Stark" on the top line and "Atty for Rob^t Stark" on the bottom line. The ink is dark and the background is a light, textured paper.

[p 14: An identical petition addressed to the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives of South Carolina.]

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The Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Alexander Bolling Stark in the behalf of Robert Stark Esquire

Report

That they have considered the allegations set forth in the said petition and find them to be true, Indeed your Committee knows and believes, that Robert Stark Esquire was a very great Sufferer in the late War with great Britain in consequence of his attachment to our cause –

But it is with much regret and concern that your Committee cannot recommend that the prayer of the said petition be granted – they are sorry that the Accounts of Robert Stark Esquire for his Services to the Country had not been rendered into the public Auditor in proper time that he might have received such pay for his Services as other good Citizens have done, but your Committee beg leave to observe, that they cannot recommend a door to be opened at this late a period, to receive old Accounts which have not already been returned, as they are of opinion it would saddle this State with an enormous debt, many of which Claims so brought forward no doubt would be unjust, although this would be a just one – Your Committee also are of opinion that to extend relief to Robert Stark Esquire for his very great sufferings & distresses in the late War, would be productive of such consequences because so many of our best Citizens were necessarily subjected to such sufferings by the War, although many persons (who escaped with the life) may not have suffered in so great a degree as Mr. Stark yet many did suffer very

³ http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_cherokee_expedition_1776.html

⁴ Siege of Savannah September 16-October 9, 1779 <http://www.myrevolutionarywar.com/battles/790916-savannah/>

⁵ Andrew Williamson, along with LeRoy Hammond and Andrew Pickens, surrendered to the British at White Hall sometime late May or early June 1780 after the fall of Charleston on May 12, 1780. They took parole from the British. Hammond and Pickens later rejoined the Whigs in opposition to the British following what they considered the breach of the parole by the British violating their plantations.

materially & will come forward with their petitions praying restitution for their sufferings in the late War.

[reverse]

Petition of Alexander B. Stark

Committee [illegible]

Mr. Tucker

Col. Bratton

Mr. Stevens

Mr. Wadsworth

Mr. Chesnut

[Note: I could not find any dates in this file relating to the petition of Alexander B. Stark.]