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South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to James McCracken (McCrackan, McCrackin)

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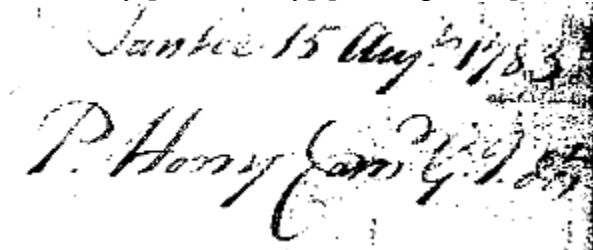
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Certify/That I this day received James McCracken's Account for 72 days duty wc [which] [I] am to deliver to the Auditor's Office

Santee 15 August 1783

S/ P. Horry [Peter Horry] [undeciphered]



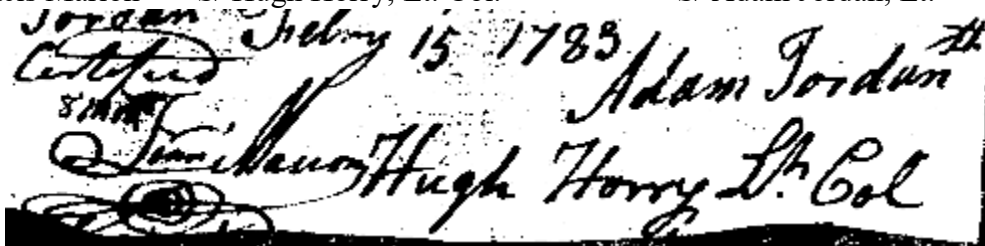
This is to Certify that James McCracken has Served 31 Days in the Militia Service in Colonel Horry Regiment in George Town Garrison under the Command of Lieutenant Jordan.

Certified February 15th 1783

S/ Francis Marion

S/ Hugh Horry, Lt. Col.

S/ Adam Jordan, Lt.



Gentlemen

Please to pay Robert Conway all my Indents in your Office for Duty Done in the Militia Service under Colonels Hugh & Peter Horry and this Shall be your Discharge from your Humble Servant August 27th 1791

S/ James McCracken

To the Commissioners of the Treasury

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Certified the day & year above written by
S/ William Hemingway, JP

James McCracken



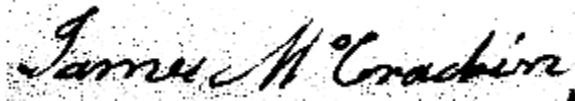
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To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina

The Petition of James McCracken of the District of Horry and the State aforesaid, Respectfully Sheweth: That your petitioner was a soldier in the Revolutionary War, under General Marion [Francis Marion], that his immediate commanding officers were Captain Absalom Sessions, Captain Joseph Long, and frequently by Lieutenants, whose names in the lapse of time are forgotten by your petitioner, was in many engagements and skirmishes with the Enemy, at Edisto [River] at Parker's Ferry,² Santee³ – Black River⁴ and Elsewhere, that he also served under Marion, near Georgetown and Charleston, That he is now in the 70th year of his age & his memory defective as to dates, that age is now pressing hard upon him, that he is incapable of those exertions that belong only to Youth and vigor, and he therefore hopes, that your Honorable Bodies may take his case into consideration, and extend to him the same kind hand of relief that of those similarly situated have experienced. In the course of nature your Bounty (if granted) must in a few years cease to be, and in craving at your hands a Pension, he hopes (that as it bes [sic, is] in your power) your kindness will assist in smoothing his passage to the grave, and plucking from his breast the thorns of anxiety and care that are now troubling the remnant of a life whose energies and manhood have been used in making his Country free and Independent. – Should the prayer of Your Petitioner be granted, he will as in duty bound for ever pray &c

S/ James McCrackin



Sworn and attested to Before
me this 7th of November 1829
S/ B. A. Thomson, QU

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Horry District} Personally appeared Josias Sessions,⁵ and George Durant Senior who being duly sworn according to Law depose & say that they know the Petitioner, he was in the Service in the Revolutionary War and believe him at all times to have been a true friend to his Country in her Struggle for independence.

S/Josias Sessions

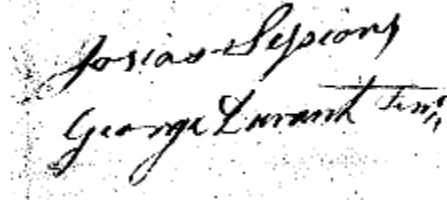
² Probably the action on August 31, 1781. See, http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_parkers_ferry_2.html

³ There were a number of actions near the Santee River. See, http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/SC_Revolutionary_War_Known_Battles_Skirmishes.htm

⁴ ditto relating to action near the Black River

⁵ [Josias Sessions S18202](#)

S/ George Durrant Senr.



Josiah Sessions
George Durrant Senr.

Schedule of the Property of James McCracken

1278 acres of Pine & 30 of Swamp Land –

Included in the 1278 \$200.00

Household & Kitchen Furniture

estimated at 30.00

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The Committee on Pensions to whom was referred the petition of James McCracken praying to be placed on the pension list

Respectfully Report

that they have considered the same and recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be granted.

One December 1829

S/ Sampson Pope, Chairman

The committee on Pensions recommend a concurrence with the House of Representatives.

December 15th, 1829

S/ J. [?] Richards

Chairman

[pp 17-27: various receipts and related documents reflecting the annual disbursement to McCracken of an annuity of \$60 per annum through April 23, 1834, the date of the last receipt by McCrackin.]