South Carolina Audited Accounts relating to William Benson SC516

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[Book] X [No.] 716  23 Sept. 85 [1785]

William Benson for Militia Duty done as Adjutant & Private & for Provisions for the South Carolina & Georgia Militia in 1781 & 1782

Amounting to Stg. [Sterling] £33.3.6 ¾


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The State of South Carolina Dr.

To William Benson

1782 To Duty done as Adjutant for the

Spartan Regiment under the Command of Colonel Benjamin Roebuck from the 8th of

April till 21 May Both days Included being 44 Days at 45/60 per day

Certified by me S/ Benj. Roebuck Colo Spartan Rigment

January 15th

1781 To Seven Head Beef Cattle for the Use of General Morgan’s Troops at £13 per head

To 18 ½ Bushels Corn for the Use of South Carolina & Georgia Millitia

Not Certified To 135 Days Service by Horse as a Private at 20/ p D

£199 5

135 00

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.
Ninety Six District} Personally appeared before me William Benson and made Oath that the above Account is Just and true & that he hath Received no part of the Same. Sworn to this 26 Day of May 1783

S/ James Jordan, JP

£334 5

44 days a 50/ £132
7 head cattle 91
18 bush. Corn 9.5

£232.5 £33.6 ¾ Stg.

Received 23 September 1785 from the Commissioners of the Treasury full Satisfaction for the within in an Indent No. 716 X

S/ Wm Benson

[Note: Same Man as above?]

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No. 50
No. 167
Lib [Book] U July 8th 1785
Mr. William Benson his Account of Militia Duty as Private since the reduction of Charlestown [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780] Amounting to
[old South Carolina] Currency £55.0.0
Stg. [Sterling] £7.17.1 ½

Received 8 July 1785 full Satisfaction for this Account in an Indent No. 167 Book U by Virtue of an Order

S/ Wm Goodlett
Gentlemen, Please to Deliver my Indent if Ready to the Bearer Mr. William Goodlett, to
Discharge the Credit of Land, & this shall be a receipt against your very Obedient and Humble
Servant

S/ Wm Benson
July 25, 1785

Acknowledged before
S/ Baylis Earle, JP

[Form of the Indent No. 167, Book U]

[reverse of the above indent bearing signatures of Samuel Earle, William Goodlett and
William Benson]

[Address of letter to: “Francis Bremar, Esquire, King Street, Charleston. Honored by Mr.
James Vernon.”]

Dr. Sir [Dear Sir] Spartan County March the 21st 192

From your kind offer, (which I am fully convinced) was to do justice to a number of poor
Illiterate persons, which says that they have Just Claims against the State of South Carolina –
But being afraid of an imposition, otherwise I should recommend to you several others –
Viz. Wm Sheid [sic, William Shed, SC AA No. 6917] for Militia duty in Roebuck [Benjamin
Roebuck’s] Regiment In the Companies of Captain McBee [Vardry McBee] & Mapp [John
Mapp]
-- Thomas Jordon [sic, Thomas Jordon, SC AA No. 4134] for a Horse Impressed by Captain
Mapp & lost at the Cherokee Nation; Valued £8.
-- John Sullivan [SC AA No. 7515A] a Soldier in the Artillery, under General Huger [Isaac
Huger], wounded at Stono [Stono Ferry June 20, 1779] & Died with the same whether his Heirs
is not entitled to an Indent for his service, also whether the Widow is entitled to Annuities, &
who by
If it should have been convenient for you to have applied to the Commissioner Office for any of those Claims, which I left with you, the pleased to send by the Bearer Mr. James Vernon such Instructions as may be necessary, and you will greatly Oblige your very Humble Servant

S/ Wm Benson

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Sir

Being much indisposed when at Town I made bold to insert the names over again for fear of any should have been Omitted –

Joseph Thompson, Account laid before the Legislature
Andrew Cally       do       do
Francis Dobbs for Militia duty Roebuck Regiment

which hath been seen in the former Commissioner Office

one for £88

   do 30} £118 old Currency

Henery Storer a Soldier in the Independent Company under

   Captain Tutt² also for clothing

Candas Jones for Supplies N. Wayland Commissary

John Elder Militia service Roebuck Regiment under Captain Elder³
Joseph Howel [Joseph Howell] Militia service Colonel Thomas⁴ Regiment at siege at Savannah
David McVey Militia service Colonel Casey⁵ Regiment under Captain Duval
Thomas Hay or Haise militia service Colonel Brandon⁶ Regiment under Captain Young
Michael Miller militia service Colonel Roebuck⁷ Regiment Captain Neisbett⁸

John Vaughan Militia service Colonel Roebuck Regiment Captain Neisbett

Milletton Smith Militia Service before the fall of Charleston, Thomas Regiment

Meshack Wooton [Meshach Wootten?] Militia service Colonel Roebuck Regiment

Joshua Smith Militia Service Roebuck Regiment

Matthew Mullener Militia Service Colonel Brandon’s Regiment

Abraham Williams Militia Service Colonel Bratton’s⁹ Regiment

Joseph Bradley Militia Service Colonel Taylor¹⁰ Regiment

Baylis Earle Esquire Wagonnage in 1781 by order of General Sumter¹¹

Francis Prince spy wages & ammunition 49 pounds powder 8 Lead

² Benjamin Tutt
³ Both James Elder and William Elder served as captains under Col. Roebuck.
⁴ Col. John Thomas
⁵ Levy Casey
⁶ Thomas Brandon
⁷ Benjamin Roebuck
⁸ George Nesbitt
⁹ William Bratton
¹⁰ Thomas Taylor
¹¹ Thomas Sumter
James Bridges spy wages
George Newill
Obadiah Roberts
Jerry Shields
Samuel Jackson, Supplies Roebuck Regiment Captain Parsons
Philip Miller, Captain Tutt’s Independent Company
John Vernon Roebuck Regiment
John Sullivan, Soldier in Heyers Regt. [Huger’s Regiment?]

[Note: There is another page in this file which I have not transcribed because there does not appear to relate to any claim of service by any veteran.]