

Recd. Order of the Hon^{ble} Council of the Province from the
 general assembly as lieutenant of a company of regular militia
 in this county commanded by Capt. Peter Reddy who took the
 oath appointed to be taken by the officers & soldiers

Truly Peter Reddy procured a commission from the General
 assembly appointing him ensign of a company of regular
 militia in this county who took the oath appointed by the
 assembly to be taken by the officers & soldiers

This comm^o having received a letter from the Hon^{ble} Council of
 Safety the same is ordered to be copied on the minutes & by
 Genl. You're please to order your regular company to march

as soon as possible to their stations at Suffolk with such
 arms & great arms as they have the company of militia
 men from of county militia or fifty before may be discharged
 on the arrival of the regulars who are to receive the
 public arms of blankets from the militia men

To the Genl of the Committee of Safety of the County of Southampton
 By order of the Council of Safety
 Genl. You're order of the Council of Safety
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Pursuant to the above directions Ordered that Captain Reddy with
 the company under his command march for his station at
 Suffolk on Monday the 18th of this instant

Upon the resignation of Captain William Simmons this comm^o
 is nominated Thomas Butts to the command of safety as Captain
 of the company herebefore commanded by the 2^d Captains
 Simmons. John Simmons as lieutenant of John Walter
 Gray as the 2^d company

The Withers is by the comm^o nominated to the comm^o
 of safety as lieutenant of a company commanded by
 Captain Rogers of Virginia named the 3^d company
 Thomas Butts John Simmons & Dr. Thomas Bloss good
 procured commissions from the Hon^{ble} Council of Safety
 appointing them Captains of the militia of this county
 who qualified under the same

Thomas Leakeford John Simmons & John Withers good
 procured commissions from the Hon^{ble} Council of Safety
 appointing them lieutenants of the militia of this county
 who qualified under the same

In his Honor & Sir Isaac Butts procured commissions
 from the Hon^{ble} Council of Safety appointing them ensigns
 of the militia of this county who qualified under the same

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 Hon^{ble} Council of the Province as ensign of a company of regular
 militia
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It appearing to the comm^o that the militia companies in this
 County are not completed by reason of some of the militia men
 enlisting on the regular service fit also appearing to the
 comm^o that there is not a greater probability of the said
 Companies being made up by appointing other officers &
 privates that the former officers be continued

Cover Gray

It is a comm^o list for the County of Southampton the 21st day
 of May 1776

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| Genl. George Goolby to | John Withers |
| Peter Butts | Ben. Blount |
| Bony Ruffin | Nicholas Magot |
| Thomas Blount | Isaac Tho: Blom |
| Dr. Simmons | Benjamin Lewis |
| Dr. Simmons | |

The gent of this comm^o formerly appointed, this day returns
 a list of the souls in this County.

	white	black	total
John Taylor	53	20	73
Thomas Edmunds	66	58	124
John Simmons	40	49	89
Isaac Tho: Blom	61	48	109
Joshua Nicholson	109	169	278
William Blount	104	96	200
George Goolby	96	95	191
Nicholas Magot	33	31	64
Peter Butts	76	30	106
Bony Ruffin	57	66	123
Cover Gray	71	82	153
Bony Ruffin Jr	29	66	95

Carried over