

18th Century Material Culture Men of Color in Military Service



To Our Friends....

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Servants & Free Men



**“FREDERICK DUKE OF SCHONBERG, MARQUIS OF HARWICH, EARLE OF BRANSFORD, BARON OF TAYS,
 GENLL. OF ALL HIS MATIES. FORCES”**
 by Godfrey Kneller, engraved by John Smith c. 1690
 (Ann S.K. Brown Collection)



*The Battle of Germantown 1777
by Xavier Della Gatta 1782
(Museum of the American Revolution)*



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The Death of Major Pierson on the Isle of Jersey off France
by John Singleton Copley, January 6, 1781
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George Grenville, Earl Temple, Mary, Countess Temple, and Their Son Richard
by Sir Joshua Reynolds 1780
(National Gallery of Ireland, Dublin)



American Soldiers at Yorktown, Virginia
by Jean Baptiste Antoine de Verger 1781
(Ann S.K. Brown Collection)



General George Washington & His Servant Billy Lee across from West Point
by John Trumbell 1780
(Metropolitan Museum of Art)



General George Washington and His Servant Billy Lee

John Sherwood	Cowman
Tho ^s Daniel	Footman
Sam ^l Barber	Gallett
Richard Humphrey	Gardner
Georg Foild	
James Don	
Tho ^s Butler	blacksmith
Matthew Woolford	
James Mearing	Footman
Georg Doney	

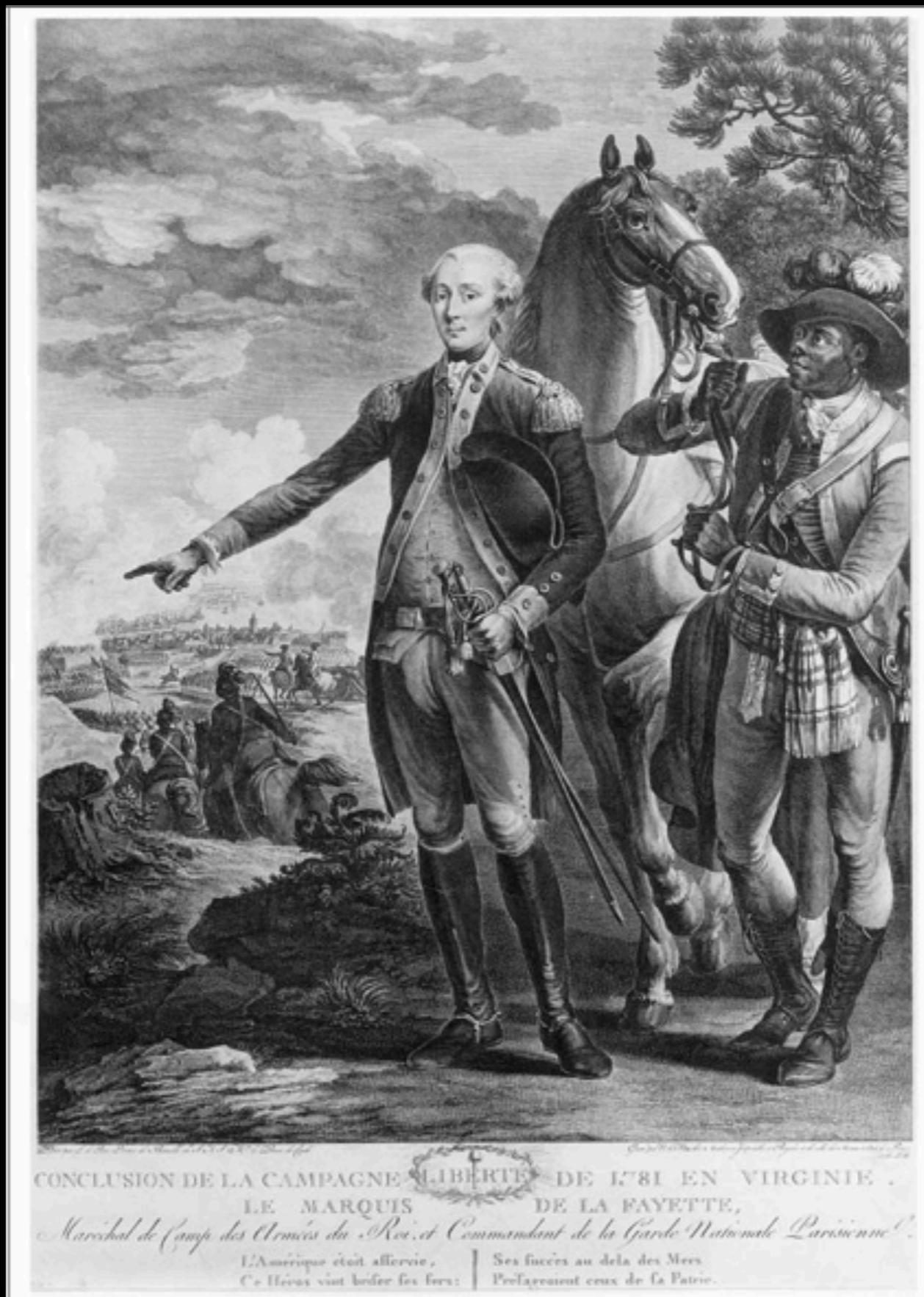
Militia List of 1782

Lists Georg Doney (Negro, servant to the Earl of Essex at Cassiobury)

(Hertfordshire Archive & Library Service)



Lafayette and James Amistead at Yorktown
by Jean-Baptiste Le Paon c. 1783



CONCLUSION DE LA CAMPAGNE LIBERTÉ DE 1781 EN VIRGINIE .

LE MARQUIS DE LA FAYETTE,

Maréchal de Camp des Armées du Roi, et Commandant de la Garde Nationale Parisienne.

L'Amérique était affermie, Ses succès au delà des Mers
Ce Héros vint briser ses fers: Préfèrent ceux de la Patrie.

Major General Marquis De Lafayette with James Amistead at Yorktown
by Noël Le Mire c. 1783



Major General Marquis De Lafayette
(Ann S.K. Brown Collection)



by Hoffman Nicolaus

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