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FRANCIS MARION AT WITHERSPOON'S FERRY

AT THIS PLACE ON AUGUST 17, 1780, LIEUTENANT COLONEL FRANCIS MARION TOOK COMMAND OF THE WILLIAMSBURG MILITIA, ONE OF THE FEW REMAINING AMERICAN FIGHTING FORCES

OPPOSING THE BRITISH IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

FOR THE REMAINDER OF 1780 AND INTO 1781, THIS BRIGADE, LED BY MARION AND AUGMENTED BY MILITIA FROM THE AREAS SURROUNDING THE PEE DEE, SANTEE, AND BLACK RIVERS, WOULD KEEP THE CAUSE OF INDEPENDENCE ALIVE IN SOUTH CAROLINA, AND WOULD PLAY A MAJOR ROLE IN THE REVERSE OF THE BATTLE OF RED BANK AND THE EVACUATION OF CHARLOTTE.

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