

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to Edward Smith VAS4538  
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[From [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

I do Certify that Edward Smith Served as a Lieutenant in Captain Wests [Thomas West] Company of Colo. Hugh Stephensons [Hugh Stephenson VAS4479] Reg't in the Virginia Line on Continental Establishment, that he was taken prisoner as such at the Surrender of Fort Washington on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of November 1776 together with myself. Said Smith, & myself were detained as prisoners untill the fall of the year 1780 (I believe about the 1<sup>st</sup> of November 1780) I cannot now Recollect whether said Smith ever served in the Virginia line after his exchange, but I know that he was a Valuable and brave officer during the period of his Services.

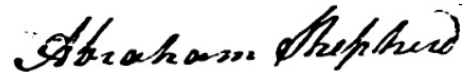
Given under my hand this 19 day of [illegible] 1807  
Henry Bedinger [S8059] [illegible word]  
5<sup>th</sup> Virg'a Reg't Revolutionary Army



[Certified in Berkeley County, 17 Feb 1808.]

I do hereby Certify that Edward Smith was a Leiutenant in Capt. Thomas Wests Company in Col. Hugh Stephensons Reg't from Virginia, on Continental Establishment that he was taken prisoner at fort Washington and continued on Long Island for a year or near that time in Captivity that I myself belonged to said Reg't and was well acquainted and continued with him a prisoner two years. That previous to Edward Smith being exchanged I was deranged as a Supernumery [sic: supernumerary] and therefore do not know at what time he was deranged, or how he left the army but do Certify that he ever supported the Charector of a valuable and brave officer, and honest man and was beloved and respected by all the Officers of the Ridg't.

given under my hand and seal this 12<sup>th</sup> day of Oct'r 1807.  
Abraham Shepherd [W19343]  
late Capt in the Virg'a line  
on Continental Establishment



that said Smith rece'd his  
appointment in July 1776

