

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to James Smith and John Smith VAS4549
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[From [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia](#) in two files.]

I Certify that I was well acquainted with James Smith who was a private in the revolutionary war under Col Nelson and who served the whole war out, and he was Honourably discharged As Witness my hand and seal this the forth day of June 1832 Wm hisXmark Figg [William Figg]
[Gloucester County]

Evidence too vague Rejected WHR [William H. Richardson, Secretary of the Commonwealth]

I Certify that I was well acquainted with James Smith and John Smith who enlisted under Capta Thos Nelson [Thomas Nelson] of the first Virginia Regiment of the Continental line in the Revolutionary war for three years or During the war in the Capasity of privates and that they served the war out and were honourably Discharged
As witness my hand and seal this 2nd day of July 1832 Wm hisXmark Figg

To his Excellency John Floyd Governor of the State of Virginia. The petition of Wm Smith and Warner Enos (Guardian) the only Surviving heirs of James Smith and John Smith Dec'd respectfully represent that the late Jas Smith and John Smith were Soldiers of the Revolutionary War.

That they enlisted under Capt'a Thos Nelson of the first Virginia Regiment of the Continental line, either for three years or during the war. your petitioners have no means now of determining whether the term of enlistment was for the limited period of three years or for the war.

They refer to the certificate accompanying this petition as evidence upon this point.

Your petitioners have every reason to believe that the said Jas Smith and John Smith never did Receive a land warrant for their bounty land and your petitioners now seek to obtain that in the premises which by a recent act of Congress has been awarded to all those similarly Circumstances with themselves

They therefore ask that a warrant may be granted them for the lands due to Jas Smith and John Smith for their military services.

And as in Duty bound they will ever pray.

Feb 4. Rejected J. F.