

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Robert Smith R9744

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State of Georgia Richmond County: On this the 18th day of January 1856 personally appeared before me Thomas Skinner a Judge of the Inferior Court, a court of Record for and in the County and State aforesaid Hannah Smith a resident of the Dark of Fairfield District State of South Carolina aged 94 years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision of the act of Congress passed July 7th 1838. That she, Hannah Smith, is the Widow of Robert Smith who was a Private in the War of the Revolution, from 1776 to 1782, and served under General Sumter & Rumph [?] in the State of South Carolina for the Space of 9 months, that, he enlisted in Orangeburg District South Carolina, and was at the battle of Eutaw [Eutaw Springs] in the Siege of Augusta, that she has no positive recollection of his Captain, or the dates of his service, that, his papers are all lost, that she has no record of his service and refers to the proper office to see if he is recorded. And further declares she was married to the said Robert Smith on the 25th day of March in the year 1786; that her husband, the aforesaid Robert Smith, died on the 22 day of January in the year 1791, and that she has remained a widow ever since that period, as will more fully appear by the proof hereunto annexed. And she further declares that her said husband's name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State, that she is aware of, and, she hereby relinquishes all claim whatever to any annuity or pension in his name, except the present.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ Hannah Smith, X her mark

[fn p. 27: On April 3rd, 1856 in Richmond County Georgia, Hannah Williams gave testimony that she knew Robert Smith and his wife Hannah, now his widow; that the widow was Hannah Lizenby [?] at the time of her marriage in 1782; that she, the affiant, was present at the wedding; that she knows Robert Smith died January 22, 1791.]