

[Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters](#)

Pension Application of Isaac Smith S11427

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State of Virginia        } to wit

County of Mathews    }

On this 13<sup>th</sup> day of August 1832 personally appeared in open court, before the Justices of the court of Mathews county, now sitting, Isaac Smith a resident of Mathews county and state of Virginia aged seventy two years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. He entered under Capt William Smith William Buckner Lieu, James Thomas Ensign; Colo. Sir John Peyton and Major Thirgrusiton[?] were the field officers he was called out on whitsunday night [seventh Sunday after Easter, 26 May 1776] when Lord Dunmore came to Gwynn's Island [Gwynn Island] and left the service at the Siege of York [28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781]. He was once stationed at Gloucester Town for twelve months, in the 7<sup>th</sup> regement, at the time of the seige he was in the cavalry under Capt Dudley Carey, Colo Webb was commandant of of the cavalry. He was in a small engagement at that time. He once volunteered under Houlder Hudgins and Philip Tabb to go to Richmond when Arnold went up James River [Jan 1781], they marched through a part of King & Queen crossed at West Point, marched through a part of New Kent, went to Williamsburg and then to Burwell's ferry on James River where they saw the Fleet pass down the river, the continental troops were expected but had not reached there. He resided in Kingston Parish Gloucester County when he was called into service and has resided there ever since his discharge. He has no documentary evidence to show when he entered the service or was discharged he received no written discharge. He was not acquainted with any of the continental regiments, companies or officers. He can prove his service by William Digges [pension application W8327] and Josiah Pew [W5586] He was born in Kingston Parish Gloucester County in the year 1760 he has a record of his age copied from his father's, where the original is now he does not know. He was a sergeant the greater part of the time he was out, he thinks he was in service more that two years altogether.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. [signed] Isaac Smith Sr.

These Affiants being first duly sworn, depose and say that they were acquainted with Isaac Smith before he went into service, during his service and ever since – he entered the service in William Smith company belonging to the Gloucester Militia commanded by Colo Sir John Peyton – that he was part of his service in Capt Dudley Carey's company of Cavalry – he entered the service in 1777 and was discharged in the fall 1781 – he was on duty with these affiants at Williamsburg, Burwell's ferry, Hubbard's Old field, Ware Church [near Gloucester], Seawelle's Old field, and Gloucester Town – These affiants have heard the declaration made by Isaac Smith this day and believe that he was in actual service fully as long as the periods mentioned therein, and that he was not employed in any civil employment during those periods – that he was on duty all the time by order of the Colo of the regiment – and further they say not.

[signed] William Digges [signed] Josiah Pew

Personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace in and for the county of Mathews in the State of Virginia, Isaac Smith, who being duly sworn, deposeth and saith that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection it was not less than the periods and in the grades following to wit: For three months I served on guard at Gwynn Island in 1777 under Capt William Smith ordered out by Sir

John Peyton Colo of the county of Gloucester, For three months I served at Point Comfort under same officers called by like order in 1778. For three months I served at Gloucester Town under Capt William Smith in 1779 or 80 we were ordered down by the Colo and joined the main army – I volunteered under Capt P. Tabb and Houlder Hudgins to go to Richmond in 1781 and served three months we joined the main body of troops at Williamsburg; in the latter part of that year about the time of the seige of York, I served three months under Capt Dudley Carey of the Cavalry – I served three months at another time at Point Comfort under Capt Peter Barnett ordered out by the Colo, the precise year I do not now recollect. I do not recollect the number of the regiments, it was the regiment of militia for Gloucester County. The regiment to which we were at Gloucester Town was called the 7<sup>th</sup> Regiment. I was a sergeant all the time; during the periods I have stated I was in actual service all the time and engaged in no civil occupation. For such service in the Revolutionary War, amounting eighteen months I claim a Pension. there is no clergyman in my neighbourhood whose certificate I can obtain [signed 2 Oct 1833] Isaac Smith

NOTE: On 22 Oct 1852 Elizabeth Smith and Delila Smith, children of Isaac Smith deceased, assigned power of attorney to obtain any available benefits.