

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Goldsmith S31699

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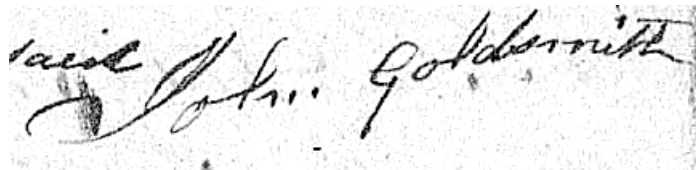
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State of Georgia, Coweta County

On this the 18th day of September 1832 personally appeared in open court before us John D. Hinton, Samuel D. Echols and Levi T. Wellborn now sitting John Goldsmith a resident of the County and State aforesaid aged 71 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 the 7th 1832. That I entered the service of the United States, under the following named officers, and served as herein stated. That I entered the service in July 1779 and left it in September 1780. I was living in Camberlin [sic, Camden] now Kershaw District South Carolina. I entered as a volunteer for fourteen months in Captain Thomas Baker's company the Regiment was commanded by Colonel Cooper, while in this Regiment, I was in two battles against the Tories, one at Mobley's Meeting House [Battle of Mobley's Meetinghouse, May 1780]<sup>1</sup> on Little River in Camden now Kershaw district SC<sup>2</sup> and the other at Walker's plantation in the same district. I served three months in Captain Baker's company, and was transferred to Captain Willoughby Barton's Company, in the Regiment commanded by Colonel McCoy, in this company & Regiment I served Eleven months and was in a Battle against the Tories at Wallahorn's Ferry [?],<sup>3</sup> about three miles below Augusta Georgia. I served with no regular or Continental troops. I have seen Generals Morgan [Daniel Morgan] & Marion [Francis Marion], but did not serve with either. I have no documentary evidence, and I know of no person, whose testimony I can procure who can testify to my service. I hereby relinquish 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.

Sworn to & subscribed, the day and year aforesaid in open Court.

S/ John Goldsmith

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Goldsmith". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored, slightly textured paper. The letters are connected and fluid, typical of the late 18th or early 19th-century style.

S/ Sam. D. Echols, JICCC

<sup>1</sup> [http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution\\_mobleys\\_meetinghouse.html](http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_mobleys_meetinghouse.html)

<sup>2</sup> Sic, Mobley's Meetinghouse is in present day Fairfield County, SC

<sup>3</sup> Wallahorn's

S/ Levi T. Wellborn, JICCC

S/ Jno D. Hinton, JICCC

Answers to Interrogatories put by the War Department

Ans. to the 1<sup>st</sup> Int. I was born in Camberlin now Kershaw district South Carolina in the year 1761 as my parents have told me

Ans to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Int. None

Ans to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Int. I was living in Camberlin now Kershaw district South Carolina -- lived there many years after the revolution, and moved to Georgia, and am now living in Coweta County Georgia

Ans. to the 4<sup>th</sup> Int. I was a volunteer

Ans. to the 5<sup>th</sup> Int. I have seen General Morgan & Marion but did not serve with either. I did not at any time served with Continental or regular troops, and the general circumstances of my Service, as such have been before related

Ans. to the 6<sup>th</sup> Int. I never received a discharge

Ans. to the 7<sup>th</sup> Int. I will refer to John Houston & James Lee

Sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ John Goldsmith

S/ Sam. D. Echols, JICCC

S/ Levi T. Wellborn, JICCC

S/ Jno D. Hinton, JICCC

[John Houston & James Lee gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$46.66 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 14 months in the South Carolina militia.]