

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Enoch Smith S31975

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State of Georgia, Hall County

On this the ___ day of September Eighteen hundred and thirty two personally appeared in open court before Ezekiel Buffington, Joseph Dunagan & Thomas S. Tate, Judges of the Inferior Court sitting as Justices of the Court of Ordinary for said County of Hall, Enoch Smith, of Hall County aged Seventy four 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 7th, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated, viz. he entered the service in the month of September or October but cannot say on which day of the month or in which of said months in the year Seventeen hundred and Seventy Six and left the Service in the year Seventeen hundred and Eighty One; that he resided in Surry County North Carolina when he entered the Service and was drafted into the same & was commanded by Capt. Richard Goode, Major Joseph Winston & Col. James Williams [sic, probably Joseph Williams]; deponent says that he was not in any formal engagement during the time of Service that he marched across the Blue Ridge at the flowing gap and joined the Virginia troops under the command of Col. Christy [sic, William Christian] at a place called the long Islands of Holston River in the State of Tennessee; that he assisted in driving the Cherokee Indians from several Towns to wit, Big Island Town, Chilhowey [Chilhowie] Town and some other towns the names of which he cannot recollect; then returned home after a tour of Six months; removed to the State of South Carolina, Newberry District; was called into Service again in the year Eighty one and was commanded by Lieutenant John Cox & Col. William Farr; was engaged on several occasions against the Tories and after a Tour of three months was disbanded and returned home; was called out again to serve two months having served altogether about Eleven months.

That he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service.

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 whatever.

S/ Enoch Smith



Sworn to and Subscribed the day & year aforesaid
S/ Ez Buffington, J. I. C.
[James Whitten, a clergyman, and David H. McCleskey gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

Amendment to the declaration of the Enoch Smith
Georgia Hall County: personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the Inferior Court of said County Enoch Smith who being duly sworn deposed & saith that he was born in Orange County State of North Carolina in the year 1759.

That he has no record of his age

That he never received any discharge from the service that during the time of his service he was not employed in any civil pursuit.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10th day of May 1833
S/ Enoch Smith

Amendment to Enoch Smith declaration
State of Georgia Hall County:

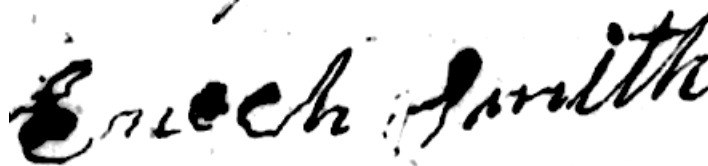
Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the peace in and for said County Enoch Smith who being duly sworn deposed and saith that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his Service, but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades. In the year 1776 and in the month of September (I think) I was drafted into Service under Captain Richard Goode, Major Joseph Winston & was attached to Colonel James Williams' Regiment and marched to what was called the Overhill Towns they being some Cherokee Towns on Tennessee River and after driving the Indians and burning their Towns returned home having served a tour of six months. I then removed to the State of South Carolina Newberry District and sometime in the year 1781 was called out again by Lieutenant John Cox and attached to Colonel William Farr's Regiment and was employed in several excursions against the Tories having served a term of three months returned home the above named tour was performed in Newberry District South Carolina. A short time after I was called out by Captain Peter Julian and attached to a Regiment commanded by Colonel Philemon Waters and was employed two months on a scouting party in Newberry District South Carolina the whole of the time I acted as a private Soldier I was not employed in any civil pursuit during the time the above and foregoing Service was performed and for such service I claim a pension.

I was born in Orange County State of North Carolina in the year 1759.

I have no record of my age

I never received any discharge for my services

Sworn to and subscribed before made this 15th day of August 1833.



S/ Philip M Byrd, JP

[p 13: On December 6, 1833, Annie Smith signed a document relinquishing all claim for a pension except for 6 months service. This document was signed by his mark.]

[p 11: On December 27, 1852, in Hall County Georgia, William P Smith signed a power of attorney authorizing his attorney to investigate the claim of his grandfather Enoch Smith.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 6 months service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]