

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Joseph Ford S34867

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District of Baltimore

On this fifteenth day of July 1818 before me the Subscriber Chief Judge of Baltimore City Court personally appears Joseph Ford aged fifty nine years, resident in Baltimore County, who being by me first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his Oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late Act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" That he the said Joseph Ford enlisted in Baltimore in the state of Maryland in the company commanded by Captain Samuel Smith of the Maryland Line that he continued to serve in the said corps or in the service of the United States until the year 1782 when he was discharged at Cambden [sic: Camden] South Carolina that he was in the several engagements at Mud Fort on the Delaware [Fort Mifflin on Mud Island, Oct & Nov 1776]. that he was afterwards removed[?] to the south & was at the Battle of Cambden [either on 16 Aug 1780 or Battle of Hobkirk Hill on 25 Apr 1781], and at the Cowpens [17 Jan 1781], and at the Battle of Eutaw Springs [8 Sep 1781] and Guilford [Guilford Courthouse NC, 15 Mar 1781] and afterwards at the Capture of York in the State of Virginia. and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support and that his name has never been placed on any pension list. He has no other evidence now in his power of his said services Joseph hisXmark Ford

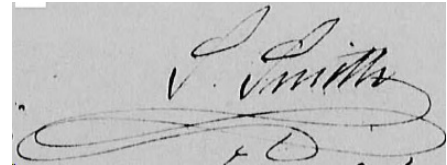
Joseph Ford, a Soldier of the Revolution, Line of Maryland, entered the service in my Company Smallwoods [William Smallwood's] Regiment taken into the Service of the United States in June or July 1776 – For a [illegible word] in the United States Service. I believe the 4<sup>th</sup> Reg. of Maryland. He has related to me [illegible word] circumstances, particularly while under my command at Fort Mifflin that I have no doubt that he served all the War, & he Merits his Pension.

[Samuel Smith, pension application W9303]

Formerly Lieut Colonel

4<sup>th</sup> Maryland Reg't

Baltimore 14 July 1818

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'S. Smith', with a large, decorative flourish underneath.

Maryland Balt'e County Ss:

On this twenty first day of april 1819 personally appears before me the undersigned Justice of the peace for Balt'r. County Joseph Crook of the City of Baltimore and also Walter Crook of same place of lawful age who being by me severally sworn depose and say that the applicant Joseph Ford now present is well known to them, having for three years past been a tenant under the heirs of their late father on a [one or two undeciphered words] platation in Middle River Neck. Well know him to be in extreme reduced circumstances scarcely able with incessant personal labour & strict economy to support his family & pay his rent. [signed] Joseph Crook Walter Crook