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Pension application of James Smith S42018

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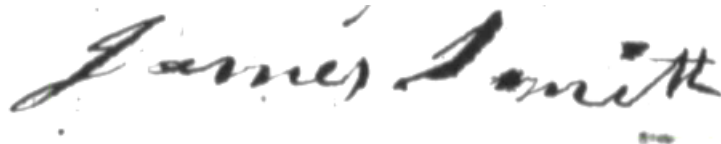
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State of North Carolina Edgecombe County: Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions August Term 1818

On this 24th day of August in the year of our Lord 1818, personally appeared in open Court James Smith aged sixty-five years resident in the said County of Edgecombe who being duly sworn according to the 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 James Smith enlisted on the 20th of July 1778 at Williamston in the State of North Carolina, in the company commanded by Captain Childs of the 10th Regiment, that he continued to serve in the said Corps until 20 July 1779 when he was discharged at Halifax N.C. That he is in reduced circumstances & needs the assistance from his Country.

S/ James Smith

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James Smith". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid, with some flourishes at the end of the name.

Schedule

District of North Carolina Edgecombe County: Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of Edgecombe County November Term 1820

On this 17th day of November 1820, personally appeared, in open court, being a court of record for the County of Edgecombe having a jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount with power to fine and imprison and keeping a record of its proceedings, James Smith who, being first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows: He was enlisted by Colonel Hogun and served in the company commanded by Captain Childs in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Hogun of the North Carolina Continental Line; He enlisted for nine months and served during the whole time. His original declaration was dated May Term of Edgecombe Court 1818, his Pension Certificate is numbered 13,011 – he was in no Battle and has long been on the Parish [?] of his County as a charge.

And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day

of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed

S/ James Smith

Schedule of Property 3 Plates, 1 Basin, 1 dish,
4 shoats, 1 spinning wheel and cards, 1 Gum [sic, gun?], 1 meat stand,
1 Dutch oven, 1 skillet

S/ James Smith

Sworn to, and declared, on the 27th day of November, 1820 before the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the County of Edgecombe, State aforesaid.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing August 24, 1818, for one-year service as a Corporal in the North Carolina Continental line.]