

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Philip Smith S6118

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State of Virginia county of ~~Orange~~ Spotsylvania [sic: Spotsylvania] - to wit

On this the 1st day of October 1832 personally appeared in open court before the justices of the county court of Spotsylvania now sitting Philip Smith a resident of the county of Spotsylvania, & state of Virginia, aged 76 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 after stated — That he was draughted from the county of King & Queen in the state of Virginia in the year 1776 in the 7th Division of militia under Capt Tunstil Banks [sic: Tunstal Banks], and marched down to Gloucester Town in Virginia, where he was verbally discharged, after a service of two months

That he was again draughted from the same county in the same division of malitia in January or February 1777 and marched down to York Town in Va. under Capt Thomas Row [sic: Thomas Rowe] where he was verbally discharged, after having served two months — He was again draughted in like manner in the month of August of the same year 1777 & marched under Capt. Christopher Howard down to Williamsburg in Va., where he was verbally discharged, after a service of two months — He was again draughted in like manner in 1778, and marched under Capt. William Courtney to the Half Way House between York & Hampton in Va, then to Newport News, and thence to the country on James River, where he was discharged after a service of two months — He was again draughted in like manner either at the close of the same year or in the beginning of the next, and marched under Capt. John Lines to Williamsburg, where he was verbally discharged after a service of two months — He was again draughted in like manner in the Fall of 1779 under Capt. William Courtney and marched to Williamsburg where after a service of two months, he was verbally discharged — again he was draughted in like manner in 1781 and marched about the country in various directions under Capt. John Haskins, Colnl. James Innis, & Genal. [Daniel] Morgan, they marched to Williamsburg, York, and other places which he cannot recollect, and finally discharged at Williamsburg, after having served two months — That after the three first mentioned tours of service, to wit, in the four last, he was a second Serjeant. In 1782 he was employed to drive beeves for the army in which service he continued more than 12 months, certainly till the end of the war, that he was engaged in this service in line of serving in the army as a soldier, and that he received the same for it as a malitiaman in service — he was born at the county of King & Queen in the year 1757 and there is a record of his age in King & Queen county which was made by the clerk of the parish — he was living in the county of King & Queen when called into the service, and continued to live there till the year 1797 when he removed to Spotsylvania, where he has lived ever since — he never recd. a written discharge from the service, or if he did, he has forgotten it — he never recd. a commission, and he has no papers or documents in his possession by which he can prove his service and that he knows of no person by whom he can do the same — Edward Hill & John Billingsley who live in his neighbourhood and know him will will testify to his character for veracity, and their belief of his services as a soldier of the revolution — He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity but the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state

Philip hisXmark Smith