

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Sihon (Sion, Simon) Smith W10268¹ Sarah fn46NC
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State of North Carolina Wake County, November Term of said County Court being the 22nd of November 1853 Mrs. Sarah Smith aged 65 years this day personally appeared in open Court for said County who being first duly sworn according to law depose as follows to wit in order to receive a pension the benefits of the act of Congress the 3 of February 1853 for her deceased husband's militia Services in the War of the Revolution in the State of North Carolina whose name was commonly spelt Sion Simon & Sihon Smith who after serving three six months towers [tours] was taken a prisoner by the British and was so confined as a prisoner to the close of the war and to the best of her believe it was more than two years he was so confined as a prisoner by the enemy and he lived in the County of Wake North Carolina at the time of his joining the service and who died in Wake County North Carolina 19 the March 1832 and declarant married said Smith in Wake County North Carolina in 1825. She declares that her name before her said marriage was Miss Sara Page and she has remained the widow of her said husband ever since his death above. She further declares that she had two children by her said husband and the record of their names and ages are annexed in the handwriting of her said husband annexed, to wit the first child by the name of Hester Ann Smith was born November 23 the 1826 & Sarah Jane Smith was born July 2 the 1828, and the 3 names on said record George Martha and Henderson on the family [word written over and illegible], and the said leaf annexed containing the record is from the family Bible dated 1822 & her said husband served as a private.

Subscribed and sworn to in open Court the day & date aforesaid.

S/ Sarah Smith, I her mark

[fn p. 34: Certificate from the North Carolina Comptroller dated September 9, 1856 showing payments made to Sion Smith for military service in the Hillsboro District during the revolution.]

[facts in file: fn p. 37: Affidavit that Sihon Smith was a Methodist preacher and spoke of his service as a soldier in the revolution – the affidavit is signed by Wesley Jones, US Marshall for the state of North Carolina, N. G. Rand & David Stephens

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Hester Ann Smith was
born November 23rd 1826
Sarah Jane Smith was born
July the 9th 1825
George was born
November 25th 1826
Martha was born
January 12th 1828
Henderson was born
1831

[Veteran's widow received the pension due him at the rate of \$76.66 commencing March 4th, 1831 and ending March 19th, 1832 for his service as a private for 23 months in the North Carolina militia; the widow was pensioned in her own right at the same rate commencing February 3, 1853 pursuant to a certificate issued May 1, 1857.]