Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to John Smith VAS2117

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[The following are from pension records in the Library of Virginia.]

Frederick Sct

June Court 1786

Ordered that it be Certified that John Smith a Pensioner who was a Soldier in Capt. Swearingens [Joseph Swearingen's] company in the 8th Virginia Regiment, and who received a wound at the Siege of Ninety Six [in SC, 22 May - 19 Jun 1781], is still living & Continues disabled and that he appears to be about forty years of age. And it is further ordered that Doct. Cornelius Baldwin do Examine and Certify the present situation of his wounds.

A Copy

Ja Keith CFC

Winchester June 6th 1786

In consequence of an Order from the County Court of Frederick as will appear by the Certificate of the Clerk I have this day carefully examined the Body of John Smith & do Certify that he is disabled by the following Wounds, viz. one by a Musket Ball in his left arm in consequence of which the Muscles are much contracted & the arm sensibly injured – one which entered his left Shoulder & has lodged there – one which entered & passed through his Loins – one in his right Ankle – his Skull appears also to have been fractured – his Wounds are at present all healed but the natural powers of his Arm & Leg are possibly[?] impair'd. [signed] Corn's. Baldwin

I Do, with the advice of the Council, hereby certify that John Smith of Frederick, about 40 years of age late a Private in the 8th Virginia Regiment, appears to have been disabled in such a manner while in the service of The United States as to entitle him to the sum of Twelve Pounds yearly; which allowance is accordingly made him, to commence from the first day of January 1786

GIVEN under my hand at Richmond, this Twelfth day of July 1786.

[signed] P. Henry [Gov. Patrick Henry]

NOTE: The file also contains a certificate signed by Gov. Beverley Randolph on 15 March 1790 continuing John Smith's pension.