Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Drury Smith R9713 fn10NC
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State of South Carolina Greenville District: SS

On this 29th of September 1832 Personally appeared before the Subscribing Justice of the Quorum Drury Smith a resident of the State and District aforesaid aged eighty-four 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 provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1777 with Captain Henry Dawson and served in the 7 Regiment of the North Carolina line under the following named officers, viz., General Francis Nash, Colonel James Hogun (and I think Major Bruton) Lieutenant not recollected Transferred from Captain Dawson after the Battle of Germantown to Captain John Makin [sic, probably a reference to John Macon [also spelled Mason]] Lieutenant William Harrison at the expiration of 9 months after my enlistment I was maliciously accused of disobedience and sentenced to the lash to escape which I left the Service and furnished a Substitute namely James Mcmullen [James McMullen?] which substitute was received by Major Patrick Lockard and at which time I received a regular discharge from the same officer. I lived in the County of Halifax North Carolina at the time of enlistment, marched from there to Philadelphia, thence to Trenton, thence returned to Wilmington in Pennsylvania, thence to the Battle of Brandywine, thence across the Schuylkill [River] thence to the Battle of Germantown thence in various directions until the time above stated of my leaving the Army which took place in Pennsylvania. And I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and I declare that my name is not on the Pension Roll of any Agency of the State of South Carolina. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid before me

S/ Aa. Springfield, JQ S/ Drury Smith, X his mark

[fn p. 6: a letter dated November 19, 832 from the pension office has the following statement: "On an examination of the Rolls of the North Carolina line, in which Drury Smith alleges he has served, it appears that he deserted the service on the 25th of October 1777. He has by this act forfeited all claim to the bounty of his country. His papers will remain in the files in this office."]