Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of James Smith S31377

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State of Kentucky Fayette County Sct.

On this 14th day of January 1833 personally appeared in Open Court for said County, James Smith a resident in said County, aged Eighty five years who being first duly sworn according to Law doth upon his Oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed June the 7th 1832 that he enlisted I the Army of the United States in the year 1780 or 1781 for during the war in the Company commanded by Capt. Thomas Minor and in Col. [John] Taylor's Regiment and also under Gen'l. Alex'r. Spotswood [Alexander Spotswood] of the Virginia Continental line, as the applicant is very old and frail and his recollection much impaired he is not certain as to the year he entered the service nor does he recollect the number of the Regiment [probably 1st Virginia State Legion authorized 1 Mar 1781] – and that he continued to serve in said service until the close of the war and was honorably discharged in Caroline County Virginia and from the course of time he has lost his discharge by his Capt. Thomas Minor; and that is not on the Pension roll, nor is he receiving a Pension of any kind from the united states, and he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a Pension or an annuity except the present [signed] James Smith

State of Kentucky, Fayette County Sct.

This day personally appeared before me the Justice of the peace for the State & County afs'd. authorized by law to administer oaths, the undersigned Isaac Farrell [pension application S35920], who being first duly sworn saith – That he is well acquainted with James Smith Sen'r of Fayette County who is at present making application for a pension for revolutionary services & has no answer from the War Dept. now in his possession – That in the year 1781 they both enlisted in the same Regiment commanded by Col Jno. Taylor of the Virginia line. That they enlisted to serve during the War and did accordingly serve during the war & we were honorably discharged & I am now drawing a pension for my services.

[signed] Isaac Farrell