Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Garnett Smith S1724

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State of Tennessee }
Knox County }
Circuit Court } August term 1832.

On this 16th day of August 1832, personally appeared before the Honorable the Circuit Court of Law and Equity for the County of Knox in the State of Tennessee - being a court of record, and having the power of fine and imprisonment - Garnett Smith, a resident of Knox County, in said state, aged sixty three years in December last, who being duly sworn, in open court, 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 seventeen hundred and seventy nine, in the fall, in the then County of Montgomery, now Wythe, in the state of Virginia under Ensign Hugh McGavock [pension application S16948] attached to the Company commanded by Captain William Cherry in — Regiment of the Virginia line commanded by Colonel Joseph Crockett – for the period and term of two years, that immediately after his enlistment, he with other troops, was marched to Albemarle Barracks, and was there detained about nine months [Apr 1780 - Feb 1781], in guarding the British & Hessian prisoners [captured at Saratoga 17 Oct 1777 and brought to Albemarle County in Jan 1779] from thence he marched to Frederick town in the State of Maryland and from thence to Fort Pitt [in present Pittsburgh] – from thence he descended the river to the falls [on Ohio River at present Louisville KY] and was there detained until his term of service, or period of enlistment being two years, had expired - and was on the return back, discharged by his Colo. Jos Crockett, at Harrads Fort, now Harradsburg Kentucky [sic: Harrods Station at present Harrodsburg], late in the year, a few days before or after Christmas, 1781 – His discharge has long since been lost and he refers the department, if any proof is necessary of service to the certificate of his Ensign Hugh McGavock –which is on file in the Department, with a Declaration presented under the Acts of Congress, prior to the 7th of June 1832 – and which application was refused, as Declarants case was not provided for by those acts.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension, or an annuity except the present, and he declares that his name is not on any Pension Roll of any Agency in this state, or any other - [signed] Garnett Smith