

Pension Application for Elisha Smith

S.23425

State of New York
Greene County SS.

On this third day of September 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the said County of Greene now sitting the same being a Court of Record Elisha Smith a resident of the Town of Coxsackie in the said County of Greene and State of New York aged Seventy Seven years in May last who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7, 1832. That he was born in May 1755 at a place called Frederick Town in the County of Dutchess now Town Carmel County of Putnam in the State of New York where he resided until about thirty five years ago when he removed to the said Town of Coxsackie where he now resides; that he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. That in the month of February 1776 at the Town of Frederick Town aforesaid he enlisted in a Company of Minutemen commanded by Captain Comfort Luddington in Col. Jacob Swartwout's Regiment and marched to the City of New York where he was stationed and served out the term of one year in the service of the United States and was discharged in February 1777, and was employed principally in building forts and fortifications. That from the year 1777 to the close of the war he was repeatedly called out in the militia on alarms and special occasions for the defence of the Country. That he was on these occasions in four different Battles then at Kingsbridge, and one at Fort Montgomery at the time it was besieged and taken by the enemy. That on the alarms and special occasions aforesaid he belonged to Captain Luddington's Company of Militia until said Luddington was promoted to Colonel of the Regiment and after he was promoted the company in which he served was commanded by Capt. John Crane. That he served in the said company commanded by Captains Luddington and Crane on alarms and special occasions at least one year in defence of the country and in the whole more than two years that for this deponent. Never received any written discharge to his recollection, and he had no documentary evidence.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. (Signed) Elisha Smith.

Sworn and Subscribed the day & year aforesaid in open court before me. William V.B. Harmance Clerk.

Letter dated October 22, 1925.

I have to advise you, that from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim, S-23425, it appears that Elisha Smith, was born in May 1755 in Fredericktown, Dutchess County (later known as Carmel, Putnam County) New York.

While residing there he enlisted in February 1776 and served one year as a private in Captain Comfort Luddington's Company Colonel Jacob Swartwout's New York Regiment.

From 1777 to the close of the war he belonged to the company commanded by Captain Captains Comfort Luddington and John; Crane in Colonel Comfort Luddington's New York Regiment and served at various times when called out, about one year in all. He was in four engagements at Kingsbridge and at the siege of Fort Montgomery.

He was allowed pension on his application executed September 3, 1832, while residing at Coxsackie, Greene County, New York.

There is no data on file as to his family.