

### **Pension Application for Joseph Smith**

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Pennsylvania

Green County SS

Before me David Gray Esquire one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas for the county of Greene in the commons wealth of Pennsylvania this day came Joseph Smith now of said County, who being duly sworn according to law, on his solemn oath doth depose and say, that during the American Revolutionary war, in the year after General Burgoine was captured, deponent thinks 1778 --he the said deponent was enlisted as a soldier in the Company of Captain Andrew Moody in Colonel John Lamb's Regiment, commonly called the second Regiment of Artillery, in the State of New York—that he served as private in the said Company in the Army of the United States from the time of his said enlistment till the close of the war when he as regularly discharged at West Point in the 'state of New York—Major Doty was part of the time 'captain in the Regiment—

The deponent was one year at Fort Stanwix part of the time below Buskins ridge, was with the Regiment in winter quarters at [Pluckeman?] with the brigade, but the company was generally detached—The company on a Sundry field on the King fisher, a British Vessel which was obliged to cut her cable—he was in an engagement at Johnstown near Mohawk 'river where the Militia under Col. Willet [???] and the company were obliged to have their piece of cannon—but rallied and retook their piece. These circumstances he recollects, but his discharge was destroyed shortly after Captain Andrew Moody delivered it to him.

By whom it was signed is not recollected as deponent was a German and could not read English—But he served in the army about five years and seven months—and that through age and infirmity he is know [now] poor and needs the aid and assistance of his Country for his support Sebastian Bowman, afterward Post Master at New York was a major in the Regiment. (Signed) Josephus Smith (in German)

Sworn to and subscribed before me at Waynes burgh the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April 1818.  
David 'gray. Esquire, Judge &c

I David Gray, Esquire, Judge &c as aforesaid do certify that it appears to my satisfaction, that the said Joseph Smith did serve in the revolutionary war, as stated in the proceeding declaration, against the Common Enemy, for the term of nine months at one time on the Continental establishment; and I now transmit the proceedings and testimony thereof taken [?] had before me to the Secretary of the war department pursuant to the Act of Congress. I am also satisfied that he needs the assistance of his Country for support. June 21<sup>st</sup> 1819. David Gray