

Application for Bounty Land, Reynard Smith (Reynaud, Reyard)

B.L.Wt.50887-160-55 Reynard “departed this life February 19th 1813, aged 54 years 6 months and 4 days”.

Wife: Margaret

State of New York

County of Rockland SS.

On this 21st day of August AD 1855, personally appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace, within and for the County and state aforesaid, Margaret Smith aged 88, years a resident of Ramapo, in the State of New York, who being duly sworn according to law, declares that she is the widow of Reynard Smith deceased, who was a private in the company commanded by Captain Garret Ackerson in a Regiment of New York Militia commanded by Lt. Col. Gilbert Cooper, in the War of the Revolution.

That he said husband volunteered about the year 1779 as a minute man for an indefinite term at Ramapo in the County of Rockland and State of New York and continued in actual service in said war for the term of fourteen days, received no written discharge to her knowledge.

She further states that she was married to the said Reynard Smith in Ramapo New York on the 11th day of December 1794, by one George Brinkerhoff, a Clergyman, and that her name before her said marriage was Margaret Blauvelt, that her said husband died at Ramapo aforesaid on the 11th day of February AD 1813, and that she is now a widow. No public record of said marriage and death exist to her knowledge.

She further declares that she has not heretofore received Bounty Land under any act of Congress neither has she made any other application therefore.

She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the Bounty Land to which she may be entitled under the “Act approved March 3d, 1855. (Signed with her mark) Margaret Smith

E.V. Hill, Justice of the Peace.