Pension Application for Richard Smith

W.22,238 (Widow: Mary) Mary died May 11, 1848.

Children:

Esther Smith born January 1st 1785

Jacob Smith born March 13th 1787

Phobe Smith born August 27th 1789

Isaac Smith born September 3rd 1791

Jessobiah? Smith born April 8th 1793

Richard Smith born March 4th 1796

Benjamin smith born June 1st 1799

This is apparently the earlier generations of Smiths.

Benjamin Smith born October 26, 1712

Deborah Smith born July 30, 1720

Maurice Smith born June 17, 1738

Able Smith born August 18, 1760

Nathaniel Smith born December 30, 1762

Benjamin Smith born November 30, 1744

Esther Smith born February 13, 1746

Richard Smith born January 19, 1738

Sarah Smith born May 20, 1752

Deborah smith born August 1, 1754

Isaac Smith born December 27, 1756

Elisabeth Smith born June 2, 1759

James Smith Born June 6, 1761

State of New York, West Chester County and Township of North Castle SS.

On this eighth day of October AD 1844, personally appeared before me, Dwight Capran, Justice of the Peace, Mrs. Mary Smith widow of Richard Smith deceased aged ninety years in June last passed a resident of the State, County & Township aforesaid, who being personally known to me and first duly sworn according to law, makes the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the provisions made by the different act of Congress passed for the relief of the widows of the deceased soldiers & officers who served the United States in the War of the Revolution and says she is the widow of Richard Smith formerly of this said County who served in the defence of the United States in the Militia in & during the revolutionary war & who entered the service in this county and served a part of the time in this county and part of the time in the adjoining counties on which was then called the frontier, under Captain John Thomas under whom he served under Captain Hobby in Colonel Thomas regiment and after that as near as she can recollect he served under Captain Moses St. John but how long he served under these different officers she does not now recollect but she knows that he did serve as aforesaid as she resided in the same neighborhood with her parents where her said husbands parents resided in different neighborhood, as they were compelled to move several different times being [?] from their residences by the refugees and British and she was married to her said husband deceased as near as she can recollect in the year AD 1784 in the winter after war of the Revolution and were joined in wedlock [wedlock] in the township of Wry [Rye] in this said county by Jeremiah Lyons Esquire who was a justice of the peace at that time and authorized to marry as aforesaid—And she this deponent further says she made a declaration several years ago for a pension through the agency of a man by the name of Mitchell a lawyer at White Plains—but for some cause to her unknown he did not get her pension granted as he informed her and her son he had sent her papers to Washington—and she now declares if there was any error in her former declaration it was either committed in advertently by her through her great age and consequent infirmities, or by the young man who did her declaration. In support of her claim in [?] of the services of Richard Smith who served as a private a part of the time and she thinks he served as a sergeant a part of the time she herewith produces [?] testimony that the nature of her case will admit.

And she hereby relinquishes all claim to a pension or annuity through any agency except the present, and she declares her name is not enrolled by any agency in any state except as aforesaid and she says hereby empower, constitute, and appoint William K. Hoyt of New York City as her lawful attorney and agent to attend to sending this her declaration to Washington with other accompanying documents necessary to support her claim. And also to attend to all the business and correspondence that may be hereafter necessary in securing to her, her right of claim. And she wishes whatever government may grant her in virtue of the services of her husband deceased who died about twenty eight years ago, may be transmitted through the New York Agency. (Signed with her mark) Mary Smith

Sworn to and subscribed on the day and year first above written before me. Dwight Capran Justice of the Peace.