

Pension Application for Robert Smith

R.9738

Widow: Gertrude. Married Oct 2, 1784. Robert Died Dec 26, 1831.

Declaration. In order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress, of the 7th July 1838, entitled "An act grantin half-pay and pensions to certain widow."

State of New York SS

On this first day of October 1838, personally appeared before the under signed, one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the County of Schenectada in said state—Gertrude Smith a resident of the town of Glenville in the county of Schenectada aged eighty seven years, who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on her oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress, passed July 7, 1838, entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows."

That she is the widow of Robert Smith who was a private in the militia of the State of New York, during the war of the revolution in the Regiment of Col. Abraham Wemple and in the company commanded by Captain Jellis J. Fonda, and who also served for at least six months as this declarant has been informed and believes to be true in the Regiment of State Troops commanded by Col. Marinus Willett-

And she further declares that her maiden name was Gertrude Wendell—and her said husband also served as this declarant has been informed & believes in the regular or continental army.

She further declares that she was married to the said Robert Smith on the second day of October in the year seventeen hundred and eighty four; that her husband, the aforesaid Robert Smith died on the twenty sixth day of December 1831, that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first of January, seventeen hundred and ninety-four, viz, at the time above stated. (Signed with her mark) Gertrude Smith.

Sworn to and subscribed, on the day and year above written before me the said Judge, & I hereby certify that said Gertrude Smith is unable to attend court by reason of bodily infirmity & further that she cannot write her name owing to old age and debility. Cornelius S. Conde, one of the judges of the courts of Schenectada.