

Pension Application for George Smith

S.36769

B.L.Wt.1910-200-Lieut. Issued Oct 23, 1790. No Papers. Also recorded as above under Wt.2572
District of Connecticut SS.

Stratford in the County of Fairfield in said District on the 11 day of April 1818 I George Smith of said Stratford do under oath declares before Pierpoint Edward Judge of said District; in which District I do now and for nearly twenty years last past have resided.

That on the twenty first day of November in the year 1776 I was appointed Second Lieutenant of the company No 1 of the Fourth Battalion of New York Forces in the Army of the United States, raised for the defence of American Liberty and for Expelling every hostile Invasion thereof.

That I joined and did duty in the Regiment until the Fourth day of October 1777. One which day I was appointed Deputy Judge Advocate General to the Northern Department by the Honorable Major General Horatio Gates.

That I continued with him and under his command until the command of the Northern Army ceased when I fell under the command of his Excellency General Washington. That at the close of the War I settled my accounts as advocate up to the first day of April as will appear from the records of the pay office and drew my Bounty Lands at the close of the War from the State of New York and from the United States.

And I further make oath, that by reason of my reduced circumstances in life, I am in need of assistance from my Country for support, and that I am now a Resident Citizen of the United States and have been a resident citizen of the United States ever since the declaration of Independence.

(Signed) George Smith.

District of Connecticut SS April 11th 1818. The aforementioned George Smith came before me & in my presence subscribed the aforesaid declaration & made oath that the same is true. Pierpoint Edward, District Judge of District.

Letter dated May 4, 1924.

I have to advise you, that from the papers in the pension claim S.36769, it appears that George Smith was commissioned November 21, 1776, Second Lieutenant of the first Company, Fourth New York Battalion, and so served until October 4, 1777, when appointed Deputy Judge Advocate of the Northern Army and continued in service until the close of the war.

He was allowed pension on his application executed April 11, 1818 at which time he was 68 years old and a resident of Stratford, Conn. He died Oct. 13, 1822.