

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Patrick (Peter) Smith W4072      Ann      fn65NC  
Transcribed by Will Graves      2/25/11

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### Declaration

In order to obtain the benefit of the Acts of Congress passed the 7th of July 1838 – 3rd of March 1843, & 17th of June 1844:

State of North Carolina Robeson County:

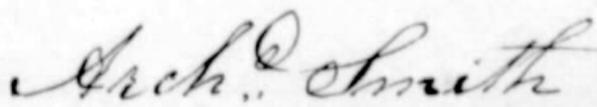
On this the 20th day of January 1852 personally appeared before the Subscriber an acting Justice of the Peace in and for said County, Archibald Smith, a resident of said County, who having been duly sworn according to law doth on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefits of the provision of the Act of Congress of 7th of July 1838 & of the subsequent acts above mentioned; –

That he is the son of Patrick Smith (sometimes called Peter Smith), who was a Soldier of the Revolutionary War; – That he has reason to believe, that his Father, the said Patrick Smith, served in a Light Horse Company, perhaps called, or attached to, the State Legion, – as a private war under Officer, & also as Captain of a Light Horse Company; – Officers, & how long, he is unable to state; but he has reason to believe, that he served some time under Captain Nathan King; – also some time under Captain Hadley; – Also, that for some time, he commanded a Light Horse Company; that these services were at different times; – the whole period of his public services being 3 or more years, as he has reason to believe: –

That his Father, the said Patrick Smyth, was married on the 24th of November 1785, to Ann Clark, the Mother of this Declaimant, in the County of Cumberland, & that he died on the 4th day of July 1816; – that Mrs. Ann Smith, his widow, the Mother of this Declaimant, died on the 20th of October 1847, aged 89 years, 3 months & 27th days:

He therefore makes this application, in behalf of himself, & his brother Daniel Smith, & of his Sisters Margaret Smith, & Ann Smith, who are the only surviving children, for the Amount of Pension due her the said Mrs. Ann Smith, up to the day of her death, on account of the Revolutionary Services of her Husband, the said Patrick Smyth.

S/ Arch<sup>d</sup> Smith

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Arch. Smith". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

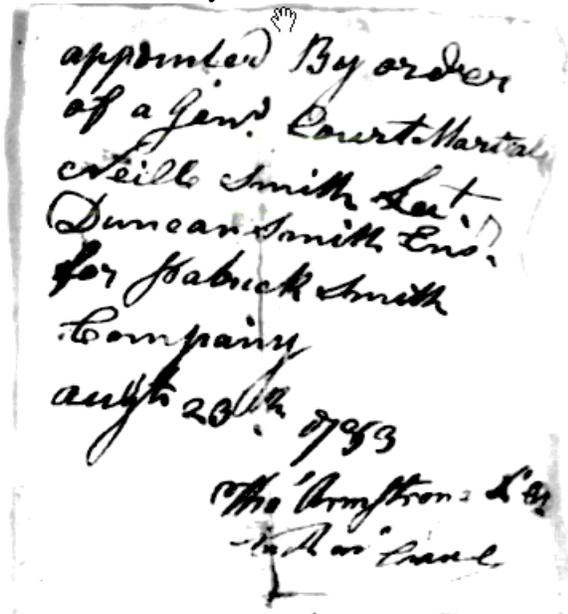
[The attestation of the above application refers to the claimant as "Rev. Dr. Archibald Smith"]

[fn p. 12]

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Duncan Smith Ens.  
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Aust 23th 1783

Tho Armstrong L. ?

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A handwritten document on aged paper, likely a military attestation. The text is written in cursive and matches the typed transcription above. It reads: 'appointed By order of a Genl Court Martial Neill Smith Leut. Duncan Smith Ens. for Patrick Smith Company Aust 23th 1783 Tho Armstrong L. ?'. The signature 'Tho Armstrong L.' is written in a larger, more decorative hand at the bottom.

[fn p. 20: Angus Love, 74, testified on January 15, 1852 in Robeson County North Carolina that he was well acquainted with Patrick Smith, who was a Captain in the Light Horse company; that Malcolm McNeill<sup>1</sup> of Cumberland County who died many years ago and Lauchlin McNeill<sup>2</sup> of Richmond County who died 13 or 14 years ago were under the command of Captain Smith in the revolutionary war and they were in the Battle of Guilford, battle of Hillsboro and battle of Cain Creek.]

[fn p. 23: William H Brown gave testimony on January 26, 1852 in Robeson County North Carolina that he was well acquainted with Captain Patrick Smith; that he ought frequently heard him talk of his service in the revolutionary war as a Captain of a light horse company and speaking of chasing Colonel Fanning [David Fanning] and relate several incidents connected with his service in the war.]

[fn p. 36: Neill Munroe, 92, gave testimony that during the revolutionary war Captain Nathan

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<sup>1</sup> Probably the same man as [Malcolm McNeill W18495](#)

<sup>2</sup> Probably the same man as [Lauchlin McNeill W7437](#)

King and his company of light horse stopped at his father's (Daniel Munroe) house and had breakfast; that Patrick Smith was with teams company; that a man by the name of Dunfield was one of the company who afterwards fell into the company commanded by Captain Neill McCranie.]

[fn p. 42: On August 26, 1852 in Cumberland County North Carolina, George McDuffie, 83, gave testimony that his brother Duncan McDuffie served at the time of the revolution under Captain Neill McCranie; that Patrick Smith came home with his brother on 2 occasions, one time with a prisoner; that Patrick Smith wore a sword and holster with pistols carried as a light horseman.]

[fn p. 65: certificate dated July 7th, 1852 from the North Carolina Comptroller showing indents paid to Patrick Smith and/or P Smith for services rendered during the revolution.]

[Facts in file: Daniel Smith, the son of the veteran died October 25, 1852 (place of death not stated); fn p. 7: family Bible record: *'Patrick Smith and Ann Clark his wife was married on Thursday November the 24 1785; Malcom was born Friday October 26 1786; Ann was born on Wednesday the 6th of February 1788; Margaret was born March the 2nd 1790; Archibald was born May 15th 1791; David was born Monday 19th of March 1793; Ann Smith was Born on Wednesday May [? very faint] ?? 1795; Daniel Smith was Born on Saturday August 19th 1799; Flora Smith was born Sunday December 27th 1801; Patrick Smith was born Sunday the 17th day of June 1750 and died Thursday the 4th day of July 1816 & his widow Ann Smith died 20th of October 1847.'* fn p. 31, Neill McLean gave testimony that the widow Ann Clark was the daughter of Gilbert Clark of Cumberland County;

[The heirs of Ann Smith, widow of Patrick Smith, were awarded a pension at the rate of \$100 per annum commencing March 4th, 1843 and ending October 20, 1847, the date of her death.]