

Greene County, Pennsylvania

Pension Records of Stephen Simpson

(1749 – 1842)

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The following was transcribed from the microfilmed document "Revolutionary War Pension and Bounty-Land-Warrant Application Files," The National Archives, Washington DC, microcopy No. 804, roll 2190 (beginning at frame 0743), file no. S23918 for Stephen Simpson.

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No 6591
Pittsburgh
Stephen Simpson
of Greene Co. in the State of Pennsylvania who was a private in the Company commanded by Captain Gathwright of the Reg^t commanded by Col. Thomas in the N. Jersey troops ~~hæ~~ for 18 months Private \$60.00

Inscribed on the Roll of Pittsburgh at the rate of 60 Dollars ~~Cents~~ per annum, to commence on the 4th day of March, 1831.

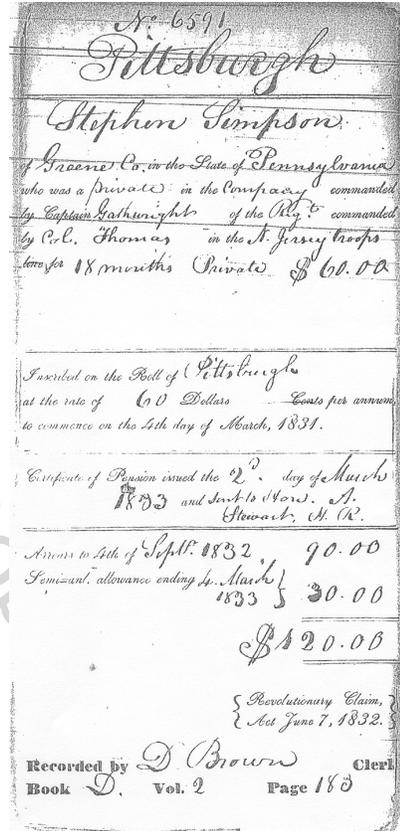
Certificate of Pension issued the 2^d. day of March 1833 and sent to Hon. A. Stewart, M. R.

Arrears to 4th of Sept ^r . 1832,	90.00
Semi+anl. Allowance ending 4 March 1833	30.00
	\$120.00

Revolutionary Claim,
Act June 7, 1832.

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Image of Certificate:



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On the 10th day of September 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the court of common pleas of the County & State aforesaid now sitting Stephen Simpson a resident of Morris Township Greene county Penn^a aged Eighty three years on the 18th day of September instant who being duly sworn according to law doth on oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of congress passed the 7th day of June 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated

That he first entered the Service in the month of June 1776 as a volunteer at Elizabeth town in the State of New Jersey where he was born under Captain Gafright Colonels Thomas & Smith that he marched from the muster ground where he volunteered through Bergen to New York remained there about two weeks then returned to Elizabeth town by way of Newark remained in service one month that he was at home but about five days till he was drafted for a month under Captain Wood went to Elizabeth town and served out his tour which ended about the time of the battle of Long Island in the later part of August 1776 – that in or about the first of october he served another month under Capt Crain that shortly after the Expiration of the month he was called out again for another tour of one month under Captain Darby that he lived between the lines of the British and American armies and was

kept almost constantly in the service he was adutized by the British and a reward offered for him he felt safest in the army and continued in the Service under different officers for Sixteen full months besides being out frequently for shorter period as occasion required on scouting parties and other services on one occasion of this kind he fought all day having Exchanged upward of forty Shorts with the Enemy this was the village called the Connecticut farms was burnt by the British. That in addition to the for-going tours he Served Several months under Captain Wood – he also volunteered one tour under Captain Horton another under captain John Darnby they lay at Springfield under adjutant Gen^l W^m Bot also under Co^l Winds and likewise Co^l Condict at the Short hills near Woodbridge who died of the Small pox then Leu^t Fatuls[?] also dies of the same that they took Elizabeth town from the British with little fighting he was afterward pressed with two Horses into the artillery Service one of them (a mare valuable) was killed by Capt Charles Turnbull - That he is certain he Served Sixteen months under different officers & at different times as above mentioned under regular calls & as a volunteer besides several tours of Shorter duration making together between two & three months more. He was born near Elizabeth town New Jersey in the year 1749 18 Sept that he has his age recorded in his Bible at his home that he lived when he Entered the Service near Elizabeth town New Jersey that since the revolution he has lived in New Jersey about seven years then removed to Penn^a thence to Washington County Pa & thence to his present residence in Morris Township Greene County where he has lived about thirty years [?] that he received no written discharges Except one which is lost That he can prove his [?] [?] [?] veracity & as a soldier by the Rev^d Cephas Dodd & Isaac Ross that he has no documentary Evidence that he hereby relinquishes all claims to any other pension or annuity Except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any states

Sworn and subscribed
Sept 10th 1832
[signed] Wm T. Hays Prothy

[signed] Stephen Simpson

We Cephas Dodd a clergyman of Amwell Township, Washington County pa & Isaac Ross of Center Township Greene County pa hereby certify that we are well acquainted with Stephen Simpson of Morris Township Greene county, who has subscribed & sworn to the above declaration that we believe him to be Eighty three years of age. That he is [?] believed in this the neighborhood where he resides to have been a soldier of the revolution & that we concur in that opinion.

Sworn and Subscribed
Sept 10th 1832
Wm T. Hays Prothy

[signed] Cephas Dodd
Isaac Ross

And the [?] Court do hereby declare their opinion after the investigation of the matter & after putting the interrogatories prescribed by the War department that the above named applicant was a revolutionary soldier and served as he states. And the

Court further certifies that it appears to them that Cephus Dodd who has Expressed the above certificate is a clergyman resident in Amwell Township Washington County ^pa^ and that Isaac Ross of Center township Greene County pa who has also expressed the same is a credible person & that their statement is Entitled to credit.

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I William T Hays Prothonotary of the Court of Common Pleas for said County do hereby certify that the foregoing contains the original proceeding of the said Court in the matter of the application of Stephen Simpson for a pension

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand & seal of office this 20th day of November A D 1832

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Declaration of Stephen Simpson a revolutionary Soldier

Entire Service

19 months.

I certify that the papers in this case were drawn by me and that the failure of the applicant to state that he could provide no direct proof was an omission of mine.

[signed] A Stewart

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