

Pension Application for Jeremiah Allen

W.3491 (Widow: Martha) Jeremiah married Anna Phanornam, they had one daughter. Anna sickened and died within one year of marriage. Next he married Martha MacKintin, Oct 1794. He had 16 children, Isaac, Charles, Ethan, Julian, Mary Ann. Several depositions (by a husband and a wife) say that Jeremiah tried to give away the daughter by his first wife, for them to raise. The couple refused. Jeremiah died April 5, 1851.

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State of New York

Jefferson County SS

On this 15th day of march 1824 personally appeared in open court, being a court of record by a Law of this state, Jeremiah Allen of the Town of Lyme in said County aged sixty two years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the Acts of Congress of the 18th March 1818 & the 1st May 1820; that he the said Jeremiah Allen, enlisted for during the war on the tenth day of June in the year 1778 in the State of Massachusetts, in the company commanded by Lieutenant Story in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Michael Jackson in the Line of the State of Massachusetts on the Continental Establishment.

That he continued to serve in said Corps until the 10th June 1783, when he was discharged from the service in Newburgh in the State of New York.

That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present. That his name is not on the roll of any state except Massachusetts & that the following is the reason for not making earlier application for a pension.

That he did not know of the law of Congress of 1818 until within a few months past.

And in pursuance of the act of the 1st May 1820 I do solemnly swear, that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not, since that time by gift sale, or in any manner, disposed of my property, or any part thereof with intent thereby as to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress, entitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land and Naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" passed on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts, or debts due to me, nor have I any income, other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed.

Schedule

1 2 pail kettle, 1 dish kettle, 1 tea kettle, 1 frying pan, 1 set cups & saucers, 1 tea pot, sugar dish, cream cup, 6 plates & platter 6 Iron spoons, 1 set knives & forks, 4 chairs, 1 table, 1 testament and some small books. And since the 18th day of March 1818 there has been no change in his property, having been entirely dependent upon his own labor & the industry of his family for daily support.

That his wife Martha is aged 48 and that he has 16 children of whom the following live with him, Isaac aged 19, Charles aged 15, Ethan aged 13, Julian aged 9 & Maryann aged 6 years.

That he is a tailor by occupation, but in consequence of the infirmities of age is unable to maintain his family by his trade. (Signed) Jeremiah Allen

Sworn to and declared in open court on the 15th day of of [sic] March 1826 before the Judges thereof. I, Henry H. Sherwood, Clerk of the county of Jefferson.