

Bounty Land Application for Zachariah Baker

War of 1812

State of New York

County of Cayuga

On this 21st day of October A.D. 1853, personally appeared before the undersigned, a Notary Public within and for the county and state aforesaid, Zachariah Baker aged fifty nine years, a resident of Tyre in the County of Seneca [Seneca] and state of N.Y., who being duly sworn according to law doth depose and say.

That he is a son of John Backer "deceased" and Elizabeth Baker of N. Y.

That he has always been informed by his said parents that he was born on the 22d day of June A.D. 1794 and that this deponent has always reckoned his age from that date. That this deponent was a soldier in the War of 1812 & that he made an application for Bounty Land under Act of Sept. 28th 1850 thinking that his term of service was long enough to entitle him to Land Bounty & that the annexed report sent to Porter Wethey the Agency of this deponent is the answer rec'd to his declaration.

That the aforesaid John & Elizabeth Baker the parents of this deponent & this deponent formerly resided in Saugerties Ulster Co. N.Y. & that on or about the year A.D. 1818 they all removed to Mentz Cayuga Co., NY where the parents of this deponent resided & lived & cohabited together as husband & wife until the death of said John Baker who died in Mentz aforesaid on or about the 9th day of Sept. A. D. 1831 & left the said Elizabeth Baker his widow him surviving who still remembers his widow & resides in Mentz aforesaid & is the identical person who is an applicant for a pension & in whose behalf this affidavit is made. And further that this deponent has frequently heard his said father tell of being in the Revolutionary War & having been defrauded of Land due him as a soldier. (Signed) Zachariah Baker.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid before me. J. H. Wethey. Notary Public

Pension Office, October 7, 1858.

Sir: The application No. 168531 of Zachariah Baker for Bounty Land under the act of September 28th 1850 has been examined, and the following report is made by the Auditor: "Entered the service August 18, 1814, and was discharged Sept. 7, 1814, 113 miles travel allowed." Service of less than one month, his claim is rejected.