

Pension Application for Samuel Barrett

S.12052

State of New York

WestChester County

Town of Bedford SS.

On this third day of October 1832, personally appeared in open court, before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the Court of WestChester now sitting Samuel Barrett, a resident of the Town of Bedford in the County of WestChester and State of New York aged seventy seven years, who being duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States as herein after stated under the following named officers.

In February 1776 he enlisted into Capt. Hezekiah Gray's Company of Militia in the town of Bedford for the term of six weeks and performed said service on York Island, and was then discharged on or about the first of January 1777 he enlisted with Capt. Hezekiah Gray's Company of Militia in the Town of Bedford for the term of four months Isaac Titus Lieut and served said term of time on the lines in West Chester County and was discharged at North Castle near the Mills.

In the year 1777 he entered the service in Capt. Marcus Moseman's Company of Militia in the Town of Bedford WestChester County and in the Regiment command[ed] by Col. Thomas Thomas, then marched to the Hudson River opposite Fort Montgomery at the time the fort was taken, from thence through the county of WestChester to a place called Harrison purchase and near the East River and about the month of November – discharged.

In 1779, about the month of May he entered the service again in Capt. Marcus Moseman's Company under Col. Thomas Thomas command[ed] and called to guard the lines in WestChester County. In July the enemy advanced as far as Bedford and burnt the Village and other houses on their way, in a few weeks after if I remember right—the enemy advanced as far north as Crompond and took about forty of the Militia guard prisoner we attacked them at Croton River bridge, took four of the enemies Horsemen, made a second attack on their out guards, we lost one taken prisoner, thus continuing our and patrols alternately to repel the enemy whose lines were near the west part of Bedford until the month of November 1780.

A party of the enemies horse at daylight was discovered driving the cattle and sheep from Bedford towards New York. The alarm guns fired we pursued the enemy a few miles, retook the whole drove, at that instant Lieut Jane from Col. Sheldon's Horse, took the command and we made a second charge and drove the enemy to their encampments, we were surrounded by the enemy lost five taken prisoners, the Lieut badly wounded. From November 1780—he the said Samuel Barrett, was called out frequently during the revolutionary war—in the County of WestChester to guard the lines.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. (Signed) Samuel Barrett

Sworn & subscribed to this 3rd day of October 1832 before me. N. Bayles, Clk.