

Pension Application for William Bartlett

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Declaration, in order to secure the benefit of the act of Congress, passed June 7, 1832.
Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

County of Worcester, SS.

On the fifth day of September in the year of our Lord, eighteen hundred and thirty two personally appeared in open Court, before Nath^l Paine Judge of Probate for the County of Worcester now sitting William Bartlett a resident of Brookfield in the County of Worcester and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, aged Eighty-one years, who being first 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 the 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. Viz. That in the latter part of April seventeen hundred & seventy five on the fourpart [forepart] of May of said year at Dorchester in the County of Norfolk he enlisted as a soldier in the war of the revolution a volunteer in the Massachusetts line of the term of eigh[t] months then called the eight months service & served in the company commanded by Capt Elijah Vose, which company was attached to the Regiment under Col. John Gratan & was stationed the fore part of said term of Allen farms so called in; said Dorchester or Dorchester Hights [Heights] watching the enemy afterwards he marched to Cambridge & was stationed in fort called No. 2 and was employed on Sentry watching the enemy [?] in Boston until the expiration of said eight months at which time he was discharged but received no written discharge from the Captain or any other officers.

That in the month of December seventeen hundred & seventy five and before he; left the camp after his discharge from the eight months service aforesaid he enlisted in the Continental line for the term of one year and served in the Company commanded by Capt Eijah [Elijah?] Vose, whose company was attached to the Rigement [Regiment] under Col. John Groton & marched form said Cambridge (the day after the British left Boston) being the eighteenth day of March 1776 to the town of Norwich in the State of Connecticut from there to New London, when he embarked on board of a vessel & sailed form thence to New York where he spent about three weeks—from thence sailed to Albany in the State of New York from thence he marched to Ticonderoga, then to Crown Point &c St. Johns and from thence to Montreal in Lower Canada and there remained three or four weeks until the United Sates Troops retreated & from thence he marched back to Mount Independence when the troops made a stand against the enemy from thence he marched in the month of October to Morristown in the State of New Jersey and there remained until he was discharged from his years enlistment at which time he did not receive a written discharge although he served out the full time of his enlistment. But did afterwards receive from the Captain of said company a certificate seting [setting] forth the time of his enlistment & when he left the service & of his faithful performance of the duties of a soldier during said twelve months which said certificate is now at the war department. That he was placed on the pension roll under the act of March 18, 1818

and was dropped [dropped] therefrom on account of property. Since he left the service he has resided in Boscom until June 1814 and where he now resides.

That he has no documentary evidence except the certificate aforesaid, which is now the war department. He knows of no other persons whose testimony he can procure except the testimony of John Willard & John Adams whose depositions are hereunto annexed.

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, except as above named. (Signed) William Bartlett

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. Nath'l Paine Judge of Probate for the County of Worcester.