

Pension Application for Nehemiah Baylis or Balys or Bayles

W.4878 (Widow: Rebecca) Married November 11, 1782 at Pittstown, Rensselaer County, NY, by Samuel Rowland, Justice of the Peace. He died on September 16, 1825.

State of New York, Rensselaer County

Mayors Court of the City of Troy in said County SS.

On this seventh day of September 1824 personally appeared in open court being a Court of Record for said City of Troy in the County aforesaid Nehemiah Baylis resident of the Town of Pittstown in the county of Rensselaer aforesaid aged sixty eight years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows—to wit, that in the year seventeen hundred and seventy five he entered the Revolutionary Army as a soldier and served under General Putnam one year and three months in the State of New York in the companies commanded by Captains Schidmore Ludnum and Platt of the Continental Troops and that in year seventeen hundred and seventy seven he enlisted into the Corp of Engineers in Capt. Matchins Company in Col. Lamb's NY Regiment of Artillery and was detached to work on the Chevaux-di frieze [sic] on the Hudson River and other works and served one year and six months and was then Honorable [Honorably] discharged that in the year seventeen hundred and seventy nine he this deponent volunteered in a company commanded by Capt. Wood against the Indians under Col. Brandt up the Delaware by some called the Minsink [Minisink] Battle in which battle he this deponent was wounded in the head, thigh and arm, that this deponent while he was in the Continental service was wounded and otherwise disabled in the battle on Long Island against the Hessians that he was in the Battle against NY Roger's Rangers in West Chester County that while in the service as aforesaid he was surfeited with heat which together with his wounds renders him wholly incompetent and unable to provide a livelihood for himself and wife by manual labour that his wife is now sixty four years old and quite infirm and that he is absolutely in need [sic] of the assistance of his country for support, and 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 so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision 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 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 subscribe. (Signed) Nehemiah Baylis

I have no real property whatsoever.

Personal Property

1 mare ten years old worth \$25.00

1 two year colt 25.00

1 cow \$10, 1 two year old steer \$5 \$15.00

1 yearling Heifer \$5, 1 calf \$2. 7.00

Two Hogs \$2.00 10 sheep \$10 12.00

1 Old wagon chair \$1., 1 plough old \$1. 2.00

1 set drag teeth worth 1.00

1 farming mill 24 years old 5.00

1 old axe 1 [?] wedges, 1 short chain 2.00

6 knives and forks which have been used 20 years, 6 pewter spoons, 12 old plates and one platter and a few other small articles of which in furniture 5 chairs been in use about 40 years. 2.00

Pittstown July 27, 1824. Total \$109.00

I am a farmer by profession but so old and weak that I am not able to do but very little. (Signed) Nehemiah Baylis.

Sworn to and declared on the seventh day of September 1824. Benj. Smith Clerk