

Pension Application for Nathan Bennet or Bennett

W.9353 (Widow: May or Mary M.) Mary M. Bennet died Pawling, Dutchess County, NY on the 1st June 1878. Nathan died January 2, 1857.

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State of New York

Dutchess County SS.

On this twenty fourth day of September in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty two personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the County of Dutchess now sitting Nathan Bennett resident of the Town of Pawlings in the County of Dutchess and State of New York aged sixty seven 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 7th 1832.

That he enlisted in the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

That he was born in the Town of Pawlings in the County of Dutchess and State of New York on the sixteenth day of November in the year one thousand seven hundred and sixty five that he has no record of his age, but that his information thereof is derived from the declaration of his parents that he was living in the Town of Pawlings when called into service, lives there now and has lived there ever since the Revolutionary War except four years that he lived in the Town of Beekman in the County of Dutchess aforesaid.

That on the first day of April in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty two he entered the service of the United States as a substitute for Jeremiah Burlch and enlisted for nine months that he joined the Company of Captain Livingston at Fishkill Village. That several other companies were lying there & the[y] were daily exercised by Adjutant Welch.

That after remaining at Fishkill about one month upon request he volunteered with other soldiers to enter a Regiment of Artillery lying at West Point. That he marched with a body of volunteers consisting of one hundred men to NewBurgh from thence to West Point where he entered a company commanded by Captain Andrew Moody in a regiment of Artillery under the command of Colonel John Lamb, that he [?] and did duty as a soldier in said regiment at West Point until his term of enlistment expired which was on the first day of January in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty three, when he received a discharge from General Knox, who commanded at Fort, that he has lost or destroyed his discharge that when he was at the Fort the Head Quarters of General Washington was at NewBurgh, that General Washington visited the Fort about once a month, that he was present when the Celebration of the birth of the Dauphine France took place and he recollects that the procession headed by Gen. Washington passed through Col. Crane's Regiment of Artillery to a large river that was [?] of trees and covered with branches that he knew Col. Crane of the Artillery and some of the officers of his regiment—that he has no documentary evidence of his [service] but that he served in the same Company & Regiment with Benjamin Cowl whose affidavit is hereunto annexed.

That he is known to Benoni Pearce and Joshua White two of the acting justices of the Peace of the Town of Pawlings at the present period who can testify to his character for veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the Revolution, that he is also known in his present neighborhood to John Griffee, Morris Baker, Abel Evans & John Browning who can testify as to his character for truth and veracity and their belief of his service as a soldier of the Revolution, that he resides in the same town and is known to Albro Aiken one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of Dutchess County who can testify as to his character for veracity and a belief of his services as a soldier of the Revolution.

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

Sworn to & subscribed this 24th day of September 1832. Henry E. Travers Clerk