

Pension Application for William Bloomer

S.44630

New York Mayor's Court.

In the Court of Common Pleas, called the Mayor's Court of the City of New York held at the City Hall in and for the said City, before the Judges of the same court, of June term in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty—Present the Honorable Peter Augustus Jay Esquire Recorder of the City of New York, SS.

Be it Remembered, That on the twenty eighth day of June in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty personally appeared in the Court of Common Pleas, called the Mayor's Court of the city of New York, in open court the said court being a court of record for the city and county of New York according to the charter of the said city and the laws of the state of New York, William Bloomer aged sixty two years, resident in the City of New York in the County of New York and in the United States of America who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare, that he served in the revolutionary war as follows: that is to say he enlisted as a private in a regiment commanded by Colonel Clinton at Newburgh sometime in June 1776 for nine months under Captain Johial Clark from there they marched to Kingsbridge and deponent marched with them from place to place until they returned to Newburgh where he was discharged in January 1777 by Colonel Clinton deponent then enlisted as a private in the Continental service in February 1777 under General Clinton (he having been promoted to the Generalship) in the fifth Regiment of New York Cavalry under Captain LeBere for three years and marched from Newburgh to Fort Montgomery where he was when the British took it, deponent was in the battle when he received a wound in the hand by a musket ball; from there the Regiment retreated to Newburgh where they recruited and in the month of June or July 1778 they went to White Plains to join the Grand Army from there deponent was detached with others to go to Norwalk in Connecticut & from Norwalk they returned to Peekskill where they joined the regiment again, from there they went to Schoharie and then the Regiment went into Winter Quarters and in the spring of the year 1779 marched to Onondaga where 5 regiments were consolidated in which deponent belonged, at that place they had a battle with the Indians from there they returned to Schoharie & from there to Tioga Point under General Sullivan & between those two places they had a battle with the Indians at a place called Catharine's Town and they marched from Tioga Point & from place to place until they came to Morristown where they went into Winter Quarters in the winter of the year 1779 & commencement of the year 1780 and on the 7th day of January 1780 deponent was honorably discharged by Colonel Philip VanCortlandt deponent has received a pension since the 27th March 1818 and that his original declaration is dated the twenty seventh day of March one thousand eight hundred and eighteen and that his pension certificate is No. 14,743. (Signed) William Bloomer

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 provisions 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 day of March one thousand eight hundred and eighteen: and that I have not, nor has any person in trust for me, any property or securities, contracts of debts, due to me; nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed, and by me subscribed to wit:

Real Estate—None

Personal Estate, 1 watch/an old one \$3.

(necessary clothing & bedding excepted)

Debts due him—Land's Lane \$6.00, for work done for him, he never expects to get it, he does not know where he is.)

Declarant is a boatman by occupation, he is a ship caulker by trade he is unable to pursue his trade, & as a boatman he is unable to work more than half his time (at which he can earn but very little) as he is very infirm, he is much afflicted with Rheumatism in all parts of his limbs, he is totally unable to earn his living by his occupation. Declarant has no family, he has six children who are all married, none of whom live with deponent, they all support themselves – Declarant saith that he is in such indigent circumstances as to be unable to support himself without the assistance of his country, that is without the aid of the general government, except by private or public charity. (Signed) William Bloomer.

Sworn in open court this 28th June 1820. Benj'm Ferris, Clk