

Pension Application for Alexander Bolton

W.20,752 (Widow: Sarah) Married August 10, 1786, Alexander died October 25, 1836.

State of New York

Cayuga County SS.

On this 20th day of June AD 1833 personally appeared before Henry Tabor one of the Judges of the Common Pleas in said county Alexander Bolton a resident of the Town of Ledyard in said County of Cayuga and State of New York aged seventy five 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 provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he was born on the 27th day of April AD 1758 in the Town of Glasgow in the County of Berkshire State of Massachusetts at about six years of age he removed to the town of Dover Dutchess County, State of New York remained there six years or there about he then removed to the town of Stillwater in the County of Albany where he remained about two years when he removed to the town of Cambridge in the same county where he resided during the war, has no record of his age nor written document to refresh his memory says he thinks in the year 1776 in August he was called out in the Regiment under the command of Colonel Lewis VanVort, Captain John MacCalip, first Lieutenant Gershom Woodruff, second Lieutenant Allen was out more than two weeks at this time was called out again in October following under the same officers the whole regiment and lay at the headquarters of the Regiment while General Burgoyne lay at Crown Point just three weeks at this time and had to board himself he was drafted the next season in the month of June when General Schuyler was retreating before General Burgoyne he was ordered out under the command of Governor Clinton, Lieutenant Colonel John Blair, Captain John McCassiss, Lieutenant Gerhsom Woodruff, Sergeant Brown he then continued in service till 17th or 18th of August it being on Sunday the next day after the Bennington Battle at that Battle General John Stark was the commander and he (the applicant) was engaged in the battle under the above named officers, during the above campaign he retreated from Fort George to Fort Edward and he went back every day to Fort George for more that [than] a week to guard the teams through[h] with the baggage at which time General Schuyler was with them and he see him every day and was out at this time more than two months.

He was next called out the next day after he got home under the command of James Bolton Comitant [sic] of the company as the Captain (McCalip) was under an arrest and he then went to Ford Edward was out at this time seven days.

The last of July 1779, John Younglove Esqr was shot and wounded at his own house in Cambridge he thinks and he was called out four days at this time.

In the month of March 1780 he was drafted for one month and went to Whitehall and the place was taken he was discharged and sent home.

About the first May following he was drafted and ordered to Fort Edward from thence to Palmertown and was there engaged in building a block house from thence he marched to Schenectady and from there to Fort Stanwick under the command of Captain Joseph Harrison, Lieutenant Buel the commanding officer was Major Hughs.

That he returned the last of November 1780 to Schenectady and was there discharged after being in service more than seven months at this time.

That in consequence of living on or near the bothersome frontiers he was frequently called out on alarms serving a few days at a time making in all more than fourteen days, exclusive of the above, after the war he removed to the State of Vermont in the Town of Sherborne and lived there three years he then removed to the town of Salem in the County of Albany in the state of New York then to the Town of Johnstown in the County of Montgomery then the next year he removed to Galaway [sic] in Saratoga County he being a Millwright by trade he removed where he thought his business was best then he removed to Johnstown in Montgomery then two years in Herkimer then one year in Owego in

the then County of Chenango then he removed to the new county of Cayuga which was in the year 1799 where he has resided ever since.

He never received a written discharge, that he has no documentary evidence or knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service except the hereunto annexed.

That the above is true in every respect according to his best recollection & belief.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares his name is not on the pension rollof any state or territory (Signed) Alex'r Bolton

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. Henry Tabor Judge.

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Raeel was born Aprile 10, 1787.

Barnard 27 Decembre 1788

Zilppa 1st of Aprile 1791.

Alex'r was born Arpile 28, 1795.

Paggey on the 26 of March 1797.

Sallay on the 9th of Siptember 1799.

Eliza on 26 Siptember 1802.

James on 15 or Jenurey 1804.

Thomes J. 1st of June 1806.

Daniel on the 8th Febrey 1809.

Nanse Anne 15 or Aprile 1815.