

Pension Application for Jonas Brown

W.11332 (Former Widow: Sarah Hoyt)

State of Connecticut

Fairfield County

District of Norwalk.

At a Probate Court holden at Norwalk within and for the district of Norwalk on the 11th day of April AD 1848 present Thos B. Butler, Esq, Judge thereof and holding said Court.

Then personally appeared before said Court Sarah Hoky a resident of New Canaan in said State County and Probate District aged eighty eight years the widow of Ebenezer Hoyt late of Wilton in said District who being first sworn according to law, doth on her oath in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July 4, 1836 and the act explanatory of said act passed March 3e 1837 declare & say that she was married to Jonas Brown, then of Poundridge in the State of New York, who was in the service of his country in the year 1781 and she believes afterwards—she thinks and believes that during the greater part of the year 1781 he was in the company of Capt. Samuel Lewis whom she knew very well—she does not recollect the month and day when he entered the service as it was before they were married. I think I have heard him speak of Col. Thaddeus Crane as his Colonel but do not remember distinctly. I have heard him speak of services as a private and corporal before our marriage and also as sergeant afterwards but cannot state the time. He was absent in the service of the war [?] and I lived in his fathers house. I do not remember what engagements he was in. He lived in Poundridge Westchester County and State of New York when he entered the service and when and after we were married I believe he was a militia man, but cannot tell certain nor do I recollect with sufficient distinctness the particulars of his service to attempt to state them. The records at Albany show his service but not all his service unless they also shew that he served as a sergeant.

She further declares that she was married to said Jonas Brown on the 22 day of October (AD 1781) seventeen hundred and eighty one and that her husband the said Jonas Brown died in October and on the 12th day in the year eighteen hundred and six. That she was afterwards married to Ebenezer Hoyt as aforesaid who died in October eighteen hundred and thirty four (1834) and that she was a widow on the 4th of July 1836 and still remains a widow as will more fully appear by the proof hereto annexed -- said Ebn Hoyt was a pensioner—Sworn to and subscribed on the day and yea above written. (Signed with her mark) Sarah Hoyt

The foregoing declaration of Sarah Hoyt was made and taken at the court and on the day above stated to wit the 11th day of April 1848 in open court and being submitted by the said Sarah Hoyt by her mark in my presence, was then and there sworn to by her before me. Thos. B. Butler Judge of said Court.