

Pension Application for Richard Carter

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To the Hon. John C. Calhoun Secretary of the War Department of the United States.

The petition and declaration of Richard Carter of the Town of Danube in the State of New York aged fifty years and upwards on oath setteth fourth and declares that in the month of December 1777 he entered under Captain Robechant [Robichaux] as a private in Col. James Livingston Regiment of the New York lines for three years on the Continental establishment and that he served his time out—and was honourably discharged at Verplanks point in the State of New York and received a discharge signed by Colonel James Livingston which is hereto annexed marked (A) and the said Richard further on oath declares that the last eighteen months of his service as aforesaid he served as a waiter to Colonel James Livingston, and he further says that after his discharge as aforesaid he again enlisted in Captain Tierces Company in Colonel Marinus Willett's Regiment for the term of nine months and served in said Regiment for the term aforesaid, and was honourably discharged, he then again enlisted in Captain Tierces Company in said Colonel Willett's Regiment of the New York line, for the term of two years & served therein until the end of the war, and was then discharged by getting a man to take [his] place (Willett's Regiment was not discharged until several months after the war) and the said Richard on oath further declares that he has never received any pension from government & that he does not know that he can now offer any other proof of his service & the time of his service than his own oath and his discharge hereto annexed marked (A) and is in need of support from his country.

And he further says that he has been informed that by an act of Congress passed at the present session of Congress entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & Naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" it is in the power of the Secretary of the War Department to place certain persons on the pension list & he therefore prays that he foray as placed there accordingly & in duty bound will ever foray. (Signed with his mark) Richard Carter

Sworn & Subscribed this 2d day of April 1818 before me. James S. Campbell one of the Judges of Court of Common Pleas in & for the County of Otsego in [the] State of New York

Note: August 23d 1819 the War Department Pension Office wrote to Mr. Carter and informed him they received information that he was not in needy circumstances and his name would be struck from the pension roll, unless he could adduce satisfactory proof to the contrary. He later applied under the later act of June 7th 1832 and for Bounty land act of 3 March 1835.