

Pension Application for Samuel Dunham

W.2772 (Widow: Martha) Samuel died July 4, 1822.

Bradford County SS

On this fourth day of May 1818, before me the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Court of Common in and for the County of Bradford, in the State of Pennsylvania personally appears Samuel Dunham aged sixty seven years resident in the town of Windham County of Bradford & State of Pennsylvania who being by me first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War".

That the said Samuel Dunham enlisted in the month of June 1775 at Stillwater in the State of New York in the Company commanded by Ebenezer Marvin the Regiment he cannot recollect of the New York line—

That he continued to serve in the said Corps or in the service of the United States until the month of September when he was discharged from service at Crompond, in the State of New York.—

That he the said Samuel Dunham again enlisted about the tenth of August 1777 at Stillwater in the State of New York in the company commanded by Captain Job Wright of the New York line as one of the Guides for Gen. Gates army against Burgoyne, that he continued to serve as such guide as a private soldier until after the surrender of Burgoyne's Army in 1777 in the month of October when he was discharged from service at Saratoga—

That he again enlisted in the month of April 1778 at Stillwater aforesaid for the term of nine months in the company commanded by Captain Levi Stockwell of Colonel VanSchaick's Regiment in the New York line, that he immediately entered the service and continued to serve in the said corps or in the service of the United States until the month of January following when having served the full term of his enlistment he was discharged from service at Fort Edward about fifty miles above Albany—

That he again enlisted in the spring of 1779—in the company commanded by Captain Dial Sherwood of Col. VanSchaick's Regiment in the New York line, at Stillwater aforesaid, that he immediately entered the service & continued to serve in the said corps or in the service of the United [States] until according to the best of his recollection, the month of November following when was taken prisoner by the British at Fort Ann, that he was kept a prisoner by the British until the end of the war when he was discharged from imprisonment at Quebec—

That while a prisoner he was kept in Close confinement and in irons about eleven months—That he was tried at Montreal and sentenced to be being in their fifteen minutes but was reprieved—that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support—

And that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services, except the proof herewith [?] made by Thomas Duane. (Signed with his mark) Samuel Dunham

Sworn to and declared & subscribed before me the day & year aforesaid. John
MJcKean Judge of Common Pleas Bradford County and State of Pennsylvania.