

Pension Application for James Easland

W.2724 (Widow: Deborah) Married January 15, 1790, City of New York. Maiden name Deborah Kelly. James died September 5, 1851.

Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

On this fifth day of September one thousand eight hundred & thirty two personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the said Court of Common Pleas of said county now sitting James Easland a resident of the tow of Cairo in the County of Greene and State of New York aged seventy years & upwards who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he enlisted in the service of the United States as a private soldier in the Militia in the Year 1781.—Then about fifteen or sixteen years of age, in a company commanded by Capt. Ford in Col. Brown's Regiment—

That a Mr. Bingham was ensign or Lieutenant, which he cannot recollect.

That he enlisted in Spring of the eyear thinks it was April for Three months.—

That the company marched to Schoharie, where they remained until about the first of November—

That the company pursued the enemy to the Indian Castle & from thence he returned home. That he resided in West Stockbridge Massachusetts when he enlisted.

That the claimant on or about the year 1782 he again; enlisted in the service in a company commanded by Simian Newall in Col. Marinus Willett's Regiment of the New York State Troops—for the term of two years—That he cannot now recollect the names of the other officers.

That he resided in West Stockbridge, Berkshire County, Massachusetts at the time he enlisted.

That he marched with his company from there to the City of Albany where he remained sometime, but cannot state how long.

That he marched with his company from the City of Albany up the Mohawk River to Fort Plain, & remained there & at Stone Arabia and what was then called "Herkimer's House" & other places.

That the last enlistment was in March 1782 & continued in actual service until the middle of December 1782 when he came home, by consent of his officers.

That claimant was in no battles—except Skirmishes with the Indians.

That he was born in West Stockbridge, Berkshire County, Massachusetts.

That he has no record of his age & therefore cannot state where he was born.

That in the Summer of 1783 he received a discharge from his company delivered to him by the Lieutenant of said Company—which discharge he has lost.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any agency in any State. (Signed) James Easland

Sworn & subscribed in open court Sep 5, 1832. William T. B. Hermance, Clerk