

Pension Application for John Ferris

W.17896 (Widow: Susan) John was born in Harwick, Connecticut, February 9, 1753. Married in the "month of September in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty four or eighty five." John died August 9, 1837. Susan's maiden name was Parkes.

State of New York
West Chester County
Town of Bedford SS.

On this fourth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two personally appeared in open court, before the Judges of the court of Common Pleas of the County of West Chester—now sitting John Ferris a resident of the Town of Bedford in the County of West Chester and State of New York aged seventy nine years, who being duly affirmed 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 entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

That eh entered into the service in the Town of Somers (formerly StephenTown where he then resided) in the county of Westchester in the company of Militia under the command of Capt. Andrew Brown and in the Regiment under the command of Col. Samuel Drake.

In the year 1777 he was called out under the above named officers and marched to TarryTown and there served as guard for the Term of Ten days.

And in the year 1777 was called out by said officers to serve as guard in Peekskill for the term of seven days.

In the summer of 1777 he was called out again under said officers and marched to the lower part of the County of WestChester on a private expedition within the enemie's [enemy's] lines and served two days, and he was called out to serve as guard at Crompond at the time the Meeting House was burnt by the Enemy and served there four days.

And in the month April 1779 he removed from SomersTown to the Town of Bedford and entered into Captain Marcus Moseman's Company of Militia in the said Town and in the Regiment under the Command of Col. Thomas Thomas and was called out under the said officers to serve as guard on the lines in West Chester County for the term of one years for which period of time he did my duty & was discharged.

And in the year 1781 He enlisted in the Town of Bedford as a Volunteer into the company of Horse under the command of Capt. Jacob M. Vermilyea and was stationed on the lines in West Chester County to guard the same and thus served during the revolutionary War. At the time of this enlistment he resided in the Town of Bedford.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State. (Signed with his mark) John Ferris

Affirmed to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. N. Bayles, Clk