

Pension Application for Nicholas Fish

W.8809 (Widow: Elizabeth)

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Issued July 9, 1790.

Superior Court of the City of New York

In the matter of the application of Elizabeth Fish of the City of New York widows of Colonel Nicholas Fish, late of the same City, an officer of the Revolutionary Army, for a Pension under the Act of Congress Passed February 3d 1853.

State of New York

City and County of New York

On this nineteenth day of March in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty three personally appeared before the Superior Court of the City of New York, Elizabeth Fish a resident of the City and County of New York aged seventy eight years who being duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the Act of Congress passed 3d February 1853, viz—That she is a widow of Nicholas Fish deceased who was a Major in the New York line of the Revolutionary Army during the greater part of the War and who was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel toward the close of the war—

That according to the best of deponents knowledge and belief, the said Nicholas Fish was a resident of the City of New York at the time he entered the said Army, and was first commissioned in the army on or about the month of April 1776, and that he continued in the service until the close of the War.

That she has understood from her said husband and from others, and believes that the said Nicholas Fish was engaged in the Battle of Long Island in August 1776, in the Battle of Monmouth in June 1778, in the engagements at Saratoga which resulted in the capture of Burgoyne, in the siege of Yorktown, and the capture of Lord Cornwallis.

That the said Nicholas Fish was a pensioner under the act of May 1828, at the rate of six hundred dollars per annum and that to the best of her knowledge and believe he presented to and filed in the War Department at Washington to and filed in the War Department at Washington proofs of his service in the Army of the Revolution so as to entitled him to the pension under the said last mentioned act.

She further states that her husband the said Nicholas Fish died in the City of New York on the twentieth day of Jun one thousand eight hundred and thirty three, and that shortly after his death she presented her claim and received from the Department the balance of the Pension of her said husband, which had accrued from the preceding day of payment up to the day of his death.

She further declares that she was married to the said Nicholas Fish on the thirtieth day of April one thousand eight hundred and three, in St. Mark's Church in the City of New York.

She further states that she is now a widow and has never been married except to the said Nicholas Fish. And for further proof both as to the service of her said

husband and her marriage with him and of his death she refers to the proofs on file in the Departments at Washington accompanying the application of her said husband for the pension under the said Act of 1828 and her own application in 1833 for the balance of his said pension accrued up to the Twentieth day of June 1833 the date of his death, which she desires may be considered as part of the proofs submitted in support of this application. (Signed) Eliz'th Fish

Subscribed and sworn to in open court in the Superior Court of the City of New York on the day and year above written, before Elijah Paine, one of the Justices &c.