

Pension Application for Elijah Goodell

W.16021 (Widow: Lydia) Elijah died Sept 17, 1829, Lydia died November 12, 1840.
State of New York Cayuga County SS.

On this nineteenth day of May 1824 personally appeared in open Court (being a court of Record for the County of Cayuga) Elijah Goodell of the town of Locke in said County and State aforesaid aged about sixty three years according to the best information and belief of this deponent who first being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following in order to obtain the provisions made by the act of Congress of the 18 March 1818 and the first of May 1820.

That he the said Elijah Goodell enlisted for the term of nine months in the month of May or June in the year 1780, in the company commanded by Lieut Sturdevant (this deponent does not recollect the name of the Capt of the company as it was said that he was a prisoner in the City of New York in the Regt of Col. Wesson or Weston's, but under the immediate command of Lieu. Col. Miller in Gen. Glovers Brigade in the Line of the State of Massachusetts, that this deponent served faithfully during the time of his enlistment and was discharged at the end thereof, that this Deponent soon after this discharge to wit in the month of March 1781 enlisted again in the line of the State of Massachusetts in the Company of Artillery commanded by Cap Thomas Vose in the Regt commanded by Col. John Crane in the Continental establishment that he continued to serve in the said Corps until the year 1783 at which time this deponent employed a substitute (the name of whom this deponent has not forgot)—

That the substitute was accepted by the Capt of the company by and with the consent and approbation of the Col. of said Regt that this deponent paid the substitute for enlisting as such. That this deponent was then discharged from the service which took place at West Point in the State of New York that this deponent was in several skirmishes biz at Tarrytown and at what was then called the mile square near Fort Washington in the State of New York.

That this deponent was at the taking of Lord Cornwallis at Yorktown, and this deponent further saith that he hath no other evidence in his power of his services except the affidavits of David Goodell & Henry Dutcher hereunto annexed. And in pursuance of the Act of the 1st May 1820. I do solemnly swear that I was a Resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March one thousand eight hundred and eighteen and that I have since that time by gift or sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of the act of Congress entitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and Naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War—passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereunto annexed and by me subscribed.

Schedule of the property of Elijah Goodell of the town of Locke in the County of Cayuga applying for the benefit of the pension law of the United States passed the 18th of March 1818 and the 1st of May 1820.

30 acres of land—value pr acre \$6. (unproductive) the title to which premises is in dispute.—I have no personal property – that I am by occupation a shoe maker—but owing to my advanced age I am unable to work but a small portion of my time—that my family consists of my wife Lydia Goodell who is aged sixty seven years, that she is almost blind and is a cripple. That I am unable to support my self and wife with out assistance. That this deponent owes into \$50. The value of said land provided his title proves good. At present no disposition can be made of the land by every [?] of a sale owing of the supposed defect in the title. (Signed by Elijah Goodell.

Sworn this 19th day of May 1824 before me Geo. B. Throop, Clerk. Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Cayuga.