

Pension Application for Simeon Hoard

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The State of Ohio
Geauga County SS

On this twenty seventh day of December AD 1837, before John Hubbard an Associate Judge of the Court of Common Pleas in & for the County of Geauga & State of Ohio aforesaid, personally appeared Simeon Hoard an resident of Thompson in said County of Simeon Hoard a resident of Thompson in said County of Geauga & State of Ohio, aged eighty five years the twenty ninth day of August last who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision 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:--

In the month of September 1775 he resided at the place called little Hoosock [Hoosick, the writer spells it many different ways] in the State of New York, and in that month volunteered to serve as a private in a Company of Volunteers commanded by Captain James Dennison, the Lieutenant of which was Stephen Niles and the Ensign Oliver Bentley, to serve in Fort George on Lake George on garrison duty, and immediately marched from Little Hoosock [sic] to Fort George and continued employed in garrison duty there for one month when he together with the said Company were dismissed and he returned home.

That afterwards in the month of July 1776, the militia of Little Hoosock & vicinity being classed and it having then become the town of duty of the class to which he belonged, he was thus again called into service, and marched with a company commanded by Captain Cole whose Christian name is not now remembered, from little Hoosock to Schoharrie where a meeting-house was picketed in & converted into a fort, and they were employed in doing garrison duty in the same, in which service he was employed as a private for one months, when his tour of service expired, he was dismissed & returned home.--

In the month of July 1777 an order was made calling for one half of the militia in Little Hoosock & its vicinity to march on to Ticonderoga, and he was one of the one half thus ordered into service;--

They marched from Little Hoosok to Albany, from thence to Fort Edward, where he remained for a time doing duty in keeping guard at the Fort, but was soon ordered to march to Lake George and he accordingly marched with the other troops as far as to Bloody Pond, where they met the wagons which had been previously sent forward with provision to supply Ticonderoga and which were returning in consequence of learning that Ticonderoga had been taken, upon this he & the Troops with which he marched returned to Fort Edward, where he remained doing duty as aforesaid until the time they were called out for had expired when he was dismissed and he returned home, having served this tour one month, during this tour.

James Dennison was his Captain, Stephen Niles Lieutenant, & Jacob Schemerhorn, Major of the Regiment in which he served—General Schuyler was at

Fort Edward at the time, and he believes in command. At the time of the battle of Bennington in the same year he was again called into service & marched from Little Hoosook to Bennington, under the same Captain Dennison, and was employed after the battle in gathering & securing the plunder. He served this tour one month, & was then dismissed.

After this in the same year he again was called out & served one month at the time Burgoyne was taken, under the same Captain & marched to Still-water to guard wagons with ammunition & supplies of provisions for the army acting against Burgoyne. He served one month on this tour.

In the month of October 1778 news was brought that Butler & U Brandt with their Indians & Tories had burnt Schoharie & committed many depredations [depredations] in that part of the country, whereupon the whole militia where he lived were ordered out—and he was in a company commanded by Captain Stephen Isles.

They marched first to Albany where they halted & remained two days, from thence to Fort Hunter, then up to Fort Plain.

Governor George Clinton was with them & commanded. He was engaged in this service for twelve days as near as he recollects, when he returned back and was dismissed.—Prior to this last mentioned tour & in the month of August 1778 he served a tour of one month, being the tour of duty of the class to which he belonged, and was stationed at the upper Fort in Schoharie under the command of Lieutenant Stubbs who commanded at that Fort—He served one month & was dismissed.

He was born at Tiverton in the State of Rhode Island on the 29th day of August 1752.

He had a record of his age in his bible. Before the commencement of the Revolutionary War he moved to the State of New York, Little Hoosook where he resided until 1806—when moved into Genessee [Genesee] County State of New York where he lived until he removed to Thompson aforesaid the fore part of November last.

That he received no written discharges, & has no documentary evidence of his services & knows of no person whose testimony he can procure to prove the same.

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) Simanon [sic] Hoard

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid before me. John Hubbard
Associate Judge.