

Pension Application for Samuel Knap

R.6014

The State of Ohio

Crawford County SS.

On this eighteenth day of March AD 1840 personally appeared in open Court before the Court of Common Pleas of Crawford County Ohio now sitting Samuel Knap a resident of Sycamen township in the County aforesaid aged eighty one years and four months 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 7, 1832.

That in the month of June 1776 he then being a resident of the New Hempstead Orange County in the State of New York enlisted as a volunteer in the service of the United States further term of six months the names of the Captain of the Company to which he belonged was Jacob Derundah, the Lieutenant John Coe the ensign Andrew Thomson. The names of the commandant of the regiment was Col. Gilbert Cooper.

This regiment was then fresh raised in Orange Co., N. York. Then companies of this regiment including the one to which the said Samuel Knap belonged was soon after it was raised dispatched to a point on the Hudson river called after it was raised dispatched to a point on the Hudson river called Red Hill opposite to the point of Dunden barrack. The rest of the regiment was sent to White Plains. The then companies at Red Hill were commanded by an officer of the rank of Major his name not recollected. The position at Red Hill was fortified and occupied for the purpose of guarding against the British Shipping. The said Knap served the full period for which he entered the service at Red Hill.

In the month of November 1777 the said Knap then being a resident of Orange County New York entered as a volunteer in the service of the United States for the term of two months. The names of the Captain of the Company to which he belonged was Robert Johnson the lieutenant Isaac Coe, during the period of this service his company was stationed at a place called Closter, near the Hudson River for the purpose of cutting Country supplies from the British Army and catching Tories, another company was stationed near the same place for the same purpose. The said Knap served the full period for which he entered the service at Closter.

In the latter part of the year 1778 the said Knap then being a resident of New Hempstead, Orange County N.Y. he entered as a volunteer the service of the United States for the term of two months. He served the full period at Closter under the same officers and in the performance of the same duties as the year previous.

In the month of February or March 1779 the said Knap then being a resident of New Hempstead Orange County, N.Y. entered as a volunteer the service of the United States for the term of two months. The names of the captain of the Company to; which he belonged was [blank] Sioc? The Lieutenant Peter Simmons, during this period he was stationed at Stoney Point on the Hudson river. The regiment to which he belonged was commanded by Col. Odney Hays. The Majors name was Henry. At the expiration of this period of service he reenlisted [in] the service of the United States at

Stoney Point for the term of one year. The name of the Captain of the Company to which he belonged was Cooley, the lieutenant John Ackerman. While stationed at Stoney Point, one business was to guard against the British and provide the American Army with facilities for crossing and recrossing the river when the British came up the river one company was ordered up to West Point where we staid a part of the summer and from thence we went to Fishkill landing where we staid until the British evacuated Stony Point and VanPlank's point. We then went to Stoney Point where I remained until my period of service had expired.

The said Knap was acquainted with Generals Washington, Green, Knox, Wagner and Schuyler. During all of said periods the said Knap served as a private soldier in embodied corps that was called into service by competent authority & during said times the said Knap was not engaged in any civil pursuit.

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. The said Knap further states that he never had any commission or discharge for the above services by him pursuant nor is he aware that there is any person surviving who has any personal knowledge of the performance of the above services. (Signed) Samuel Knap.

Subscribed and sworn to in open court before me this 18th day of March AD 1840. John Modewell Dept Clerk