

Pension Application for Israel Lyon

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Declaration, In order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress, passed June 7, 1832.

State of New York

County of Westchester SS.

On this fifteenth day of October 1835, personally appeared before me Ezra Lockwood one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for said County of Westchester (the same being a Court of record) Israel Lyon, a resident of the town of Bedford in said County aged eighty years and eight 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 he entered the American Service as a private in the company of Militia commanded by Capt. Peter Fleming in the Regt commanded by Col. Budd at the town of Bedford aforesaid as a volunteer, on or about the month of June in the year 1776 and served in said company for the period of one month and a half on the lines in said County of Westchester in actual service in the field during the whole of said period –

That after the expiration of said period, said company was marched back again to said town of Bedford where the declarant received his honorable discharge. That at the time he entered the service he resided in the said town of Bedford in the State of New York.

And the declarant further saith that he again entered the service in the said company of militia & said Regiment as a volunteer in or about the month of October in the said Year 1776 and served as a private in said company on the lines in active service in the Field for the period of two months when he was again honorably discharged at Bedford aforesaid.

And the declarant further saith, that he again entered the service as a private some time in the month of August 1777 at the town of Bedford aforesaid as a volunteer in the company of militia commanded by Capt. Moses St. John in Col. Thomas Thomas' Regt. That he was marched from said town of Bedford to the lower part of said County of Westchester on the lines and was in actual service in the field for the period of three months and at the close of said term, in or about the month of November then following was honorably discharged from said service at the town of Bedford aforesaid.

And the declarant further saith that he again entered the service as a private in the month of June 178 at the town of Bedford aforesaid in the company commanded by the said Capt. Moses St. John in the aforesaid Co. Thomas' Regt, and that he served in the field on the lines in actual service for the period of two months when he was again honorably discharged from said service at Bedford aforesaid in or about the month of August in the said year of 1778.

And the declarant further saith that he again entered the service as a Serjeant, at Bedford aforesaid in or about the month of July in the year 1779 in Capt. Josiah Miller's Company of Militia in the Regt commanded by said Col. Thomas – that he

continued in actual service in the field on the lines in said County of Westchester for the period of three months when he was honorably discharged at Bedford aforesaid from s'd service in or about the month of October in the year last aforesaid.

And the declarant further saith that he again entered the service as a volunteer in or about the month of September in the year 1780 as a Serjeant in Capt. Sackett's Company of Militia in the said Regt of Col. Thomas, that he continued in actual service in the field on the lines in s'd County of Westchester for the period of three months when he was honorably discharged in the town of Bedford aforesaid on or about the month of November in the year last aforesaid.

And the declarant further saith that he again entered the service in or about the month of May in the year 1781, as a serjeant in the company commanded by Capt. Sackett aforesaid in said Regiment of Militia commanded by said Col. Thomas, for the period of two months, that he continued in active service in the field, on the lines in said County for the said period of two months and was honorably discharged at Bedford aforesaid in the month of July of said last mentioned year.

And the declarant further saith that he again entered the service in or about the month of October in the year 1782 as a Serjeant in the company of Militia commanded by s'd Capt Sackett in the company of Militia commanded by s'd Capt. Sackett in said Regt of Col. Thomas for the period of one month—that he continued in actual service in the field for the s'd period of one month when he was honorably discharged at Bedford aforesaid in or about the month of November in the last aforesaid year.

And in answer to the Interrogatories prescribed by the war department the declarant on his oath saith.

1st That he was born in the town of Bedford aforesaid in said County of Westchester on the twelfth day of February in the year 1755.

2nd That he has a record of his age in his family Bible now in his possession and present.

3rd That he resided in said town of Bedford when called into service as aforesaid, has resided there since and has never resided in any other place.

4th That he volunteered his services in each of the respective terms set forth in his preceding declaration, but cannot now state from whom he received his orders—served with Capt. Peter Fleming, Capt. Moses St. John, Capt Josiah Miller, Lieut. Moshier & Capt Richard Sackett. That at sometimes Col. Thomas Thomas was out with said Troops, but generally speaking the declarant was out with a detachment from said Regt and several other officers were out during the times aforesaid but does not now recollect their names—that he never was a substitute but always served on his own account as above stated.

5th That he recollects the above named officers who were with the troops where he served also General McDougal, Col. Budd, Col. Thomas, and the nature of his service & was as is above stated.

6th That he never received a written discharge from the service but was always discharged verbally and as he believes by the commanding officer of his company.

7th That he has no documentary evidence of his services and he has made inquiries and cannot find any other person to testify to his services than Moses Lyons.

That he is old and infirm and has forgotten most of the persons who served with him. That he is known in his present neighborhood to David Miller Esqr and Abraham Miller both of the said town of Bedford where the declarant resides, who can testify to his character for veracity and that he is reputed and believed to have been a soldier of the Revolution.

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) Israel Lyon

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid before me, Ezra Lockwood one of the Judges in afores'd County