

## **Pension Application for Justus Overton**

S.23349

State of New York

Suffolk County SS.

On this second [missing] day of October AD 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the court of Common Pleas of the County of Suffolk now sitting Justus Overton a resident of the Town of Brookhaven in said County aged seventy five years in August last past who being 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<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States in the latter part of the month of April or first of May 1776 as a volunteer under Lieutenant Nath<sup>l</sup> Norton in a company commanded by Capt. Daniel Griffin for the period of Nine months.

That the company was marched to the East end of Long Island & was encamped or stationed upon Shelter's land & remained there untill the surrender of Longisland to the British troops in that year, that after the surrender of the Island the company was engaged sometime in assisting the inhabitants to transport their cattle & sheep to Connecticut or the main store.

That after rendering the above assistance. The company was encamped a while at Saybrook in Connecticut & after remaining a while at Saybrook the company was ordered to New Haven & remained in encampment there some time.

That during the time they were stationed at New Haven aforesaid the Company in November of the same year with the assistance of troops from Rhodeisland went over to Setaucket [?] on Longisland & captured a Company of Tories under the command of one Jacob Smith took them prisoners & carried them to Connecticut.

A short time after he was marched to Fishkill on the North River in this State & there remained encamped sometime. He was then marched to Fort Montgomery & there remained during the winter & untill the period of his enlistment had expired. At the request of Genl James Clinton this deponent & a member of others agreed to remain & did remain at the said fort until the regular forces could come & receive them but the length of time that he so remained deponent cannot now recollect but thinks it must have been about a month.

That the company in which he served was attached to the Regiment commanded by Col. Henry B. Livingston.

[Deposition ends here. Some documents were not cared for and parts are missing. The letter O seems to have a lot of documents missing.]