

Pension Application for David Parkes or Parks

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Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress of the 7th of June 1832.

State of New York

Montgomery County SS

On this nineteenth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & thirty two personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas held at the Court House in Johnstown In the County of Montgomery now sitting David Parks a resident of the Town of Root in the County of Montgomery & State of New York aged sixty eight years old last June 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 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers & served as herein stated.

That in the spring of the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & eighty one or two & he believes in eighty one, he resided in New Concord then in the County of Albany but now the town of Canaan & County of Columbia.

That every class of the militia of about seven or ten were required to furnish a man for nine months service.

That he then enlisted to serve for nine months & went to Albany & was then mustered in Colonel Marinus Willet's Regiment in the month of April--& that from Albany he went to Schoharrie to the middle fort where he did duty about two months—

That in the month of June he returned to Albany & was then put into a Company under Captain Whelps or Welps—That immediately after he arrived at Albany he & others went on board a sloop & were taken to FishKill where he remained but a day or two & was then taken to Newburgh & then went by land to West Point & then he was put into Woody's company in Lambs Regiment of Artillery.

That he joined the said Regiment about the sixth or seventh of July. That he did duty in said Regiment until sometime in ten month of September as he believed and then he & others were ordered into the woods to make shingles & he was employed in making shingles until about the middle of October. That while he was thus employed in making shingles he was under the command of Lieutenant Reed.—That the said Lieutenant Reed about the middle of October gave him permission to go home & Joseph Parks his brother entered the service in his the said David's stead.

That he the said David was in the service more than six months. That he cannot name any of the officers under whom he served except those he has already named & that he has no documentary evidence to prove his services—and that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension list or roll of the agency of any state.

That he was born in the Town of Sharon in the State of Connecticut & lived in that state until he was about fifteen years of age and then removed with his father to New Concord aforesaid.

That when about twenty six years of age they removed to Duanesburgh in the county of Schenectady—and lived there about five years – and removed to New Concord aforesaid & lived there about two years and removed back to Duanesburgh aforesaid and lived there about six years and then removed to the Town of Charlestown in the County of Montgomery & has resided ever since in the same county and now resides in the Town of Root in said County.

That he has no record of his age.

That he resided in New Concord aforesaid when he entered into the said service.

That he enlisted as aforesaid.

That he did not receive any discharge otherwise than is herein before stated and further this deponent says not. (Signed) David Parker

Sworn to and Subscribed this day & year aforesaid in open court. Geo. D. Ferguson, Clerk