

**Pension Application for Francis Peterson**

S.43824

United States of America

State of New York

City and County of Albany To wit:

In conformity with the provisions of the Act of the congress of the United States of America, passed March 18<sup>th</sup> 1818, entitled "An Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land and Naval service of the "United States in the Revolutionary War", the following declaration, in writing, is made under oath by Francis Peterson of the Town of Maryland in the County of Otsego in the State of New York before the honorable Smith Thompson Esquire, one of the Judges of the Supreme Court of Judicature in the said state, which Court is a Court of Record of the county and State, in which the said Francis Peterson doth reside, that is to say:

**DECLARATION:**

I Francis Peterson aged seventy eight years in September of the Town of Maryland in the County of Otsego in the State of New York on this twenty eight day so April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, --Do solemnly, sincerely and truly swear and declare, that I served against the common enemy in the Army , in the War of the Revolution, for the term of nine months during said war, on the Continental Establishment and that I am a resident Citizen of the United States, to wit, in the Town and County and State aforesaid; and that by reason of my reduced circumstances in life, I am in need to assistance from my country for support.

I do further swear and declare, that I served in the said Revolutionary War, in the capacity of and being a private soldier that I belonged to the Army, to wit, I belonged to Captain John H. Wendell's Company Col. Wynkoop's Regiment and New York Line.

That I entered the said service in the month of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy six and left in the month of January in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy seven in the manner following to wit: I left it by reason of the expiration of my term of service that I received one document concerning the same service and discharge which has been casually lost or destroyed, that I was in not battles and there is no other evidence in my power to my knowledge, concerning the matters deposed by me than John H. Wendell who has made a deposition, accompanying this declaration.

--And I further declare, that in pursuance of the requisitions of the aforesaid Act of Congress, I do hereby freely and absolutely, and to all intents and purposes, relinquish all claims to any Pension under any of the Laws of the United States, except the Pension contemplated to be allowed me under the Act o of Congress aforesaid mentioned, and under which this Declaration is made.

In witness of the truth of this declaration, I have subscribed the same in presence of the said Judge, and have solemnly deposed to the truth thereof, on the day herein before, that purpose, specified. (Signed) Francis Peterson

Sworn before me this twenty eighth day of April 1818. Smith Thompson