

### **Pension Application for Zachariah or Zecchariah Short**

S.11389 (Musician, Capt. DeWitt, Col. Hardenburgh, N.York Line.)

Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed the 7<sup>th</sup> June 1832.

State of New York

Ulster County SS.

On the eleventh day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two, personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the County of Ulster, being a court of record for said county, proceeding according to the course of Common Law with a Jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount, and keeping a record of their proceedings, having a clerk and seal of their own, Zachariah Short a resident of the town of Woodstock in the County of Ulster aged seventy six years. 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 the 7<sup>th</sup> June 1832.

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

To Wit, that on or about the first of August in the year 1776 he volunteered as a private soldier in the Militia service of the State of New York in the Revolutionary War, in the company commanded by Capt. John DeWitt in Colonel Hardenburgh's Regiment for Five Months that the said company met at Saugerties went from there by water to New York City, went from there to Harleem and continued there until the British took New York City and was the last company that retreated from there went from [there] to Kingsbridge and then went to White Plains was there during the battle at White Plains & continued there until some time in November following. And went from there to Peekskill where he and the said company continued same term and went to Haverstraw in January following (1777) and was there discharged. (but received no written discharge). Knew Generals Hayt & Clinton.

And this applicant further declares that on or about the first of August in the year 1777 he again volunteered in the same service as aforesaid as a musician in Capt. Philip Swarts Company in Major John Cantine's Regiment for Three months rendezvoused at Kingston Ulster County. Went from there by water to Albany, marched from there to Stillwater was there attached to Col. Graham's Regiment from Dutchess Company under the command of General Glover, and continued there in said service until after the surrender of Genl Burgoyne, and then returned to Albany and continued there until about the first of November following and was then discharged (Received no written discharge) and verily believes that General Schuyler commanded the army until Genl Gates arrived.

And this applicant further declares that in the summer of the year 1778 he again volunteered in the same service as aforesaid, as a private soldier, in Lieutenant Teerpanning's Company for Two Months and was stationed at the house of one Longyear in the town of Shandaken in the County of Ulster, as a frontier guard, (But Recollects no person alive who can testify to the above service.)

And this applicant further declares that in the same year 1778 and soon after the above named service he again entered the same service as aforesaid (drafted as one of a class) in the company of Lieutenant Peter Brink for one month and was stationed at Shandaken Ulster County as a frontier guard, and was there discharge[d]. (But received no written discharge)

And this applicant further declares that the same year 1778 he again was drafted as one of a class in the same service as aforesaid as a private soldier, in Capt. Teerpanning's Company for one month and was stationed as a frontier guard in the town of Shandaken Ulster County, but recollects of no witness alive who can testify to the service above.

And this applicant further declares that in the spring of the year 1780 he again entered the said service as aforesaid as a substitute for one Martin Ackert as a private soldier in Captain Henry Paulding's Company in Colonel Albert Pauling's Regiment for one month and was stationed at the house Peter

Short (his father ) in the Town of Woodstock in Ulster County, and built a Fort around the house (received no written discharge).

And this deponent further declares that in or about the first of April in the year 1781, he again entered the same service as aforesaid, as a substitute for Robert Belsey as a private soldier, in the company of Capt. Henry Paulding in Colonel Albert Paulding's Regiment for nine months and was stationed as a frontier guard in the Towns of Woodstock and Shandaken at different houses and continued in said service as such frontier guard until about the first of January following (1782) and was then after the full term of nine months discharged. (Received no written discharge)

And he further says that he was born in the town of Saugerties in the County of Ulster in the year 1756.

That he has no record of his age.

That he lived when called into service in the town of Woodstock in said County of Ulster, has lived there since the war and live there now.

That he was a substitute and volunteered.

That he recollect[s] no officers but those stated.

That he received no written discharge.

That he can by Reverend Wm. Boice, Isaac Ittig, [?]-man prove his character for veracity and as to their belief as to his services.

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 any agency in any State. (Signed) Zachariah Short.

Sworn to and Subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open court. A. G. Hardenburgh, John Jansen, Abm A. Deyo, Judges