

Pension Application for Simeon Tyler

R.10790 (Widow: Freelove)

State of New York

Westchester County SS.

On this fourth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two personally appeared in open court before the Court of Common Pleas in and for the said County of Westchester. Simeon Tyler a resident of the Town of Harrison in the said County of Westchester aged seventy one 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 June 7th 1832.

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

That is to say that in the month of April in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & seventy eight, he this Declarant lived in the Town of Bedford in the said County of Westchester and belonged to a company of Militia commanded by Cap'n Richard Sackett as a private in said company and was called out by his said Captain to serve with his said company as a guard in Bedford aforesaid, and this Declarant did serve as a private in said company during the last mentioned year on different occasions in the whole amounting to five months actual service. In said company of Militia as a private the same and drew provisions out of the Continental Stores at Bedford aforesaid.

That in the month of April in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred and seventy nine at Bedford aforesaid this declarant belonged to a company of Militia commanded by one Capt. Isaac Miller of Bedford aforesaid as a private in said last mentioned company called minute men. And this declarant was called out in said last mentioned company by his said Captain and served as a private in said Company in the said County of Westchester as a guard on the lines during that year till late in the month of December of the last mentioned year on different occasions whenever their services were required. And this declarant saith that he was in actual service as a private in said company under arms for four months during the last mentioned year.

That prior to his last mentioned service this declarant in the winter provisions thereto was called out and served in the said County of Westchester as a guard on the lines under arms in actual service in Capt. Richard Sacketts company of Militia for the space of one month. And this declarant further saith that in the year seventeen hundred and eighty he this declarant was called out and served in actual service under arms as a private in Capt Hezekiah Millers Company of Militia of the town of Bedford aforesaid for the space of four months.

That his last mentioned service of four months commenced in the month of April of the last mentioned year on different occasions when ever his services were required till the close of the last mentioned year.

And this declarant further saith that on or about the first day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty one but the precise day in the month of April aforesaid this declarant can not now recollect he this declarant

enlisted at Bedford aforesaid as a private in a company called the new raised Levies raised by Capt Richard Sackett of Bedford aforesaid of which company the said Richard Sackett was Captain in William Moyer first Lieutenant and Nathaniel Tucker was second Lieutenant.

That said company was raised for what was called the year service but did not commence service till about the first of April seventeen hundred and eighty one. When this declarant enlisted therein for the term of nine months. And commenced serving out his said enlistment at the time last mentioned.

That he this declarant faithfully served out as a private in said last mentioned company in actual service his last mentioned enlistment of nine months and was honorably discharged by the said Lieutenant Moyer then in command of said last mentioned company (the captain having been taken prisoner) at Hights plains in the said County of Westchester on or about the first day of January in the year seventeen hundred and eighty two. That according to the best of this declarants recollection. He did not receive any written discharge, but his term of enlistment having expired he was verbally discharged by the said Lieutenant Moyer, that during said nine months said last mentioned company was part of the time under the command of Col. Alexander Hamilton then of Col. Putnam and afterwards of Col. Sheldon, who had about three hundred dismounted men under his command. That said last mentioned company was during their said service stationed within the said County of Westchester.

That this declarant recollects one engagement in which he was present with the said last mentioned company at Kingstreet in the said County of Westchester in the fall of the last mentioned year when they were there attacked by about one hundred refugee Horse under the command of Col James Holmes who succeeded in taking prisoner the said Capt Richard Sackett.

The rest of said Company formed with a Hollover [?] on their retreat under the command of the said Lieutenant Moyer are received the said refugee Horse at the point of the Bayonet at several successive charges. When the said refugee Horse being unable to brake the line of the said Company were compelled to retreat with the loss, one man and three of their Horses killed, and several men wounded, among the wounded was Capt Samuel Kipp of the said refugee Horse, without a single man of said Mogers company killed or wounded.

And this declarant further saith, that in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty two. This declarant resided at Bedford aforesaid and belonged as a Sargeant in Capt Moses St. Johns Company of Militia of Bedford aforesaid that this declarant was called out and served as a Sargeant in the said last mentioned Company during the last mentioned year as a guard on the lines in the said County of Westchester during the summer and fall of that year at different times whenever his services were required. That this deponent served in said last mentioned company during the last mentioned year in actual service in the whole more than four months, and this declarant recollects that during the said last

mentioned year he with a Sergeant's guard by order of Col. Thomas Thomas conveyed eight prisoners from Bedford aforesaid to Fishkill in the County of Dutchess.

And this declarant further saith that all of the aforesaid companies of Militia in which this declarant served as he has above stated belonged to a regiment of Militia within the said County of Westchester commanded by Col Thomas Thomas and this declarant further saith, that he claims a pension under the Act of congress aforesaid by reason of his aforesaid services as follows viz.

1st for his five months actual service in the year seventeen hundred and seventy eight as a private in Capt Richard Sackett's Company of Militia as aforesaid.

2nd for his actual service in the year seventeen hundred and seventy nine as a private in Capt Isaac Millers company of Militia for the space of four months as aforesaid and also for one months service in the last mentioned year as a private in Capt Richard Sackett's company of Militia as aforesaid.

3rd for his actual service in the year seventeen hundred and eighty in Capt. Hezekiah Millers Company of Militia as a private for the space of four months.

4th for his actual service in the year seventeen and eighty one as a private under his aforesaid enlistment in Capt Richard Sackett's Company of Levies for the space of nine months as aforesaid.

5th for his actual service in the year seventeen hundred and eighty two as a sergeant in Capt Moses St. Johns company of Militia for the space of four months as aforesaid, making it in the aggregate a service of two years and two months by this declarant under arms in the army of the Revolution. And this declarant further saith that the Annex'd affidavits of Samuel Dean Ezekiel Harris and Elisha B. Maynard were procured by him with a view to and in support of his present application. And are for that purpose hereto attached, that they were all the proofs of his aforesaid services which he can now obtain, by reason of the death or removal from this part of the County of the rest of his companions in arms.

And this declarant further saith that he was born in the town of Bedford in the said County of Westchester where he continued to reside (excepting his absence on service during the revolution) till after the revolutionary war was [?] when he came to the town of Harrison where he now resides where he lived five years, and married then removed to Bedford aforesaid and lived seven years, then moved back to Harrison aforesaid where he has ever since under and still resides.

That he has not any record of his age as it was burnt in his grandfather's House about the commencement of the revolution, but from information derived from his parents and the aforesaid record which he saw before it was burnt. He was born the ninth day of November seventeen hundred and sixty one.

That he was living in the town of Bedford aforesaid when he entered the service as aforesaid. That when he served in the aforesaid Militia Companies he was called into service by the Captain of said Companies as aforesaid. And once volunteered and enlistet or nine months in Capt Richard Sacketts Company of Levies as aforesaid.

That he never was drafted or served as a substitute.

That he recollects Col. Alexander Hamilton, Col or Genl Putnam, Col. Sheldon, Col. Almand and Genl Scott as some of the regular officers whos ere with the troops where he served.

That he recollects Col Sheldons regiment and Col. Milans Regiment of Horse, Major Lee's Corps of Horse, Col Meigs regiment & Col. Thomas' regiment of militia as some of the Continental and Militia regiments that he knew during the revolution.

That he never received any other discharge than what he has above stated neither has he any documentary or written evidence in relation to his aforesaid enlistment services or discharges.

That he is known in his present neighborhood to Jeremiah Anderson and John Carpenter 3rd both residing in the town of Harrison in the said County of Westchester who can testify as to his character for veracity their belief of his age, and of his serviced as 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 and this declarant further states that there is no clergyman living in his vicinity sufficiently acquainted with him to give the aforesaid certificate as to his character &c.
(Signed) Simeon Tyler

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court the day & year aforesaid. A. Bayles, Clk West Chester com. Pleas.

Letter in folder dated March 13, 1981, written in response to an inquiry.

In addition to the military history of Simeon Tyler, R. File No. 10,790 Revolutionary War you are furnished the following family data:

Simeon Tyler born November 9, 1760, died July 14, 1843.

Freelove Tyler born November 13, 1766.

They married February 13, 1788.

William Tyler born November 17, 1788, married February 13, 1811.

Susannah Tyler born April 27, 1791, died May 27, 1810.

Joseph M. Tyler born April 26, 1793, died May 21, 1813.

Henry Dusenbury Tyler born June 19, 1795.

Grandchildren

Susannah Tyler Tyler born April 18, 1813.

Maria M. Tyler born February 29, 1815.

Joseph M. Tyler born December 27, 1816.

Henry Dusenberry born August 9, 1735, died November 7, 1812.

Susannah Ogden born May 28, 1738, died march 13, 1815.

They were the father and mother of Freelove Tyler and were married April 14, 1757.