

Pension Application for Hezekiah Woodward

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State of New York

Orange County SS

On this fourth day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court before Samuel S. Seward, John Hallock Jr., Gilbert A. Fowler, Nathaniel P. Hill, and Horace W. Elliott, Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the County of Orange in said State being a Court of record now sitting Hezekiah Woodward a resident of the Town of Calhoun in the county of Orange and state of New York aged seventy seven 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 officer and served as herein stated, he enlisted as a minute man for six month, at Deerpark Orange County State of New Your under Capt Bennet as a private in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy five cannot tell the Capt first name and on the fifteenth day of the following June 1776, he again enlisted as a volunteer under Capt William Faulkner for six months in Col Hardenburgh's Regiment served in Gen Scott's Brigade he was marched from Orange County to New York and from thence to Greenwich and lay there till two British Ships the Phenius and Ross came up the North River he stayed untill the fifteenth of the following December and was there discharged and returned home and stayed nine days and was called out again under Capt William Dennison in the Militia and went to Paramus Ramapo and Hackensack in New Jersey and stayed one month and was then transferred to Capt Falkner's company and stayed three months [?] at another time he was called out and helped build Fort Montgomery was there two weeks, and he was there, sent out by Capt Benjamin Vail to Cochester after a deserter Daniel Skinner and took him he was at West Pont two weeks under Captain Cuddeback and one month at Jacob Gunaer in Peenpack patrolling his house while in garrison against the Indians and one month at Westbrook in Ulster col under Capt Owen whose house was also in Garrison, after New York was taken by the British he went one third part of the time for three years in the militia took turns and then went and rest stayed he says he always wen this third part of the time and at every alarm during his time at home he was called out at one time he was called on the night and went into the company by Capt Vail at an alarm of the Indians; he was in the Indian Battle at the Delaware where out men were mostly killed by Brants men only six of his company returned he went under Capt Benj Vail who was killed in the Battle he was a sergeant in the Militia the whole time (except the six months he enlisted as a volunteer) he was [?] in Stonington New Haven County State of Connecticut in 1755, he has a record of his age in his Bible he moved from Con. Before the Revolution with his father and has ever since lived where he now lives he has no written or printed evidence of his service he kept an account of his services but has lost it he has looked for it without effect he knows only three men by whom he can prove any part of it, Amos Whet and Thomas Olive and Samuel Skinner both of Orange County.

He hereby relinquishes every claim 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 he says he was in the battle when New York was taken by the British in Col. Hardenburgh's Regiment and he was on the Picket Guard when the British came to take White Plains he was one sent by Capt Tyler to scout for Indians gone one week, he was at New Windsor and Newburgh one month at the time the British burnt Esopus that he is acquainted with nearly half of the people of the County where he lives. (Signed) Hezekiah Woodward

Subscribed & sworn the 4th day of September 1832. Asa Dunning Clerk