

Pension Application for Jonathan Allen

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State of New York

County of Warren SS.

On this twelvth [twelfth] day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty seven personally appeared in open Court before the Honorable Hiram Barber First Judge and Thomas Pattison, Truman B. Hicks, Thomas A. Leggeth and Stephen Pratt Esquires Judges of the Court of common Pleas of the said County of Warren in the State aforesaid which said Court is now sitting, Jonathan Allen a resident of the town of Queensbury in the County and State aforesaid aged seventy nine 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.

The said Jonathan Allen saith that he was born in the town of New Marlborough in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on the twenty ninth day of May in the year of our Lord 1757 in the year 1777 in the month of June I was living at New Marlborough & there was an alarm that Burgoyne was coming down from the North with his Army & the militia were called out to go and meet him & I volunteered and went out as a private in the last mentioned month—

We went from New Marlborough to Saratoga in the State of New York and to fort Edward and Fort Ann. We were out in this service between Eleven and twelve weeks and were engaged in Scouting—We had a skirmish during this service between one main guard & a main party of the enemy between Fort Ann and Sandy Hill near what is called Morse's Mill. Our guard was stationed at Noses Mill. During this service I was in Colonel John Ashley's Regiment of Sheffield.—We had no captain—Eli Harman of New Marlborough was one Lieutenant. After we had been out twelve weeks lacking three or four days Colonel Ashley went home with his Regiment & I went home also and was dismissed.—I received no written discharge.

I do not know of any person living who can testify to this part of my service in the Revolutionary War.

In the month of September or October in the year 1778 I was at New Marlborough & there was another alarm that the Indians were coming down from the North & the Militia were ordered out and every man was required to have a horse.—I procured a horse and volunteered and went out as a private in Colonel John Collar's Regiment of New Marlborough—we had no captain of the company I was in—Reuben Beman of New Marlborough was our Lieutenant—we started from New Marlborough and came to Stillwater in the State of New York and we remained there five weeks lacking a day or two and were then ordered to go home. We had no skirmish or engagement during the service. I was discharged with the rest of the Regiment and went home again. I received no written discharge and do not know of any person living who can testify to this part of my service.

In the month of October in the year 1779 I was at New Marlborough and in the last mentioned month enlisted at that place as a private for three months—I cannot

recollect the name of the Colonel of the Regiment—Adam Casson was the Captain of the Company I was in—He was of New Marlborough—Zenas Kellogg, of Sheffield was our Ensign —David Tracy of New Marlborough was our Orderly Sergeant—I cannot recollect the name of our Lieutenant—the Regiment went from New Marlborough to Hudson in the State of New York and from there we marched to Albany and remained at Albany in the Barracks until the three months for which we enlisted had expired— During this service we had no engagement or skirmish. I do not know of any person living who can testify to this part of my service.

I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a Pension or annuity except the present and declare that my name is not on the Pension Roll of the agency of any State.

In answer to the Interrogatories proposed in the Instructions from the Secretary of War the said Jonathan Allen further saith.

First—I was born in the town of New Marlborough in the State of Massachusetts on the twenty ninth day of May 1757.

Second—I have no record of my age which I can produce. My father kept a Record of the ages of his children & after his death my mother took the record into her possession & about twenty five years ago she moved to the State of Ohio and took the Record with her. Since which time I have not seen it & do not know where it is—

Third—I lived at New Marlborough aforesaid before and when I entered the service and for the last twenty eight years I have lived in the town of Luzerne in the County of Warren aforesaid except the month of November last past when I moved to the town of Queensbury in said County & have ever since resided there.

Fourth, Fifth, Sixth. My answers to the Fourth, fifth and Sixth Interrogatories are herein before set forth.

Seventh. John A. Ferris of the town of Queensbury aforesaid and James Palmeto of the same place are persons know to me in my present neighborhood who can testify to my character for veracity and their belief of my services as a soldier of the Revolution. (Signed with his mark) Jonathan Allen

Subscribed & sworn in open court the day & year first aforesaid. Thomas Archibald, Clerk.