

Pension Application for William Ceater or Keator

S.45449

State of New York

Orange County SS.

On this 30th day of April 1818 before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in & for the said County of Orange personally appeared William Cater aged seventy years resident in the Town of Deer Park in the County of Orange and State of New York, who being by me first duly sworn according to Law, on his oath, doth make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress entitled and act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War, that he the said William Cater enlisted at Marble-Town in Ulster County and State of New York, some time in the month of July or August in the year 1775 or 1776, of which this deponent is not certain, to serve during the war in Captain Teabout's Company in Col. VanScoyot Regiment, it being the first New York Regiment and served in the said Company and Regiment about two years, when the deponent was attached to the Regiment of Riflemen commanded Col. Morgan and continued in that Regiment about four years when this deponent was returned to the Company & Regiment in which he enlisted, and that he continued to serve in the said regiment or corps, in the service of the United States, until the close of the war, when he was discharged from service in the month of June or July in the year 1783, at Snake Hill in the Town of New Windsor now Orange County, at that time Ulster County, and State of New York and received a discharge, which discharge this deponent left with his sister, then living at Marble-Town Ulster County, who is now dead, and since her death this deponent has made search for said discharge and cannot find it, and that he was in the Battle of Brandy-wine, Monmouth, at Long Island, when New York was taken by the British and at the Battle at White Plains—and at the taking of Genl Cornwallis.

And that he is in reduced circumstances & stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support, and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services. (Signed with his mark)
William Ceater

Sworn to & declared before me, the day and year aforesaid. James Finch, Junr.