

Pension Application for Clark Eastman

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State of New York

Washington County SS

On this 4th day of December 1832 personally appeared in open Court before us the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the County of Washington now sitting Clark Eastman a resident of the town of Whitehall in the county of Washington and State of New York aged Sixty nine years on the 30th day of September last 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 while he lived in the town of Ashford the County of Windham and State of Connecticut and in the month of April A.D. 1777 he enlisted in the State Troops Connecticut line for eight months as a Musician and entered the service under the Command of Capt Daniel Allen with whom he enlisted was mustered but cannot now say who the Mustermaster was does not remember the names of the other officers of the Company he was marched to Danbery where he was stationed as a Guard over the Continental Stores and under the Command of Major Starr after sometime he was marched to the White Plains and joined Col Willis's Regiment Major Grovenor was an officer in the Reg he was stationed at White Plains a short time and was marched to the Scotch Plains in the Jerseys and remained a few days or weeks as a Guard was sent out in Scouting Parties, was thence marched to the Kingsferry and crossed the North river and went up the river to Fishkill or Peekskill while there the British came up the river as far as Red Hook, and burnt Esopus took Fort Montgomery.

The British cast their Anchors at RedHook and lay there a short time and about the time the news arrived of the Capture of Burgoyne they went back down the river that he was marched down the river [blot] thence and there were some [?] from the shiping [shipping] to us and we upon them, after this he was stationed at Fishkill.

And this declarant further states that he here while cooking his rations his camp kettle accidently turned over on his legs and he was badly scalded he was then taken to the hospital and there remained untill in the last of December when his term of service expired and he was discharged by parole he further saith he was lame and unable to labour all the next year. That he was in the service as a musician at this time eight months.

And this declarant further states that while he lived in the town of Ashford aforesaid and in the year of 1778 he went out in the Militia when Royalton was burnt 8 or 10 day but cannot remember his officers so as to give a satisfactory & history.

That he moved to Walpool State of New Hampshire and lived ten or fourteen years from thence he moved to Winsom in Vermont State thence he moved to Whitehall where he now lives and has lived about thirty years.

That he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service.

1. That he was born in the town of Ashford he thinks County of Hartford and State of Connecticut in the year of 1763.
2. That there is a record of his age on the Town Books in the town of Ashford where he was born.
3. That he lived when he entered the service in the town of Ashford aforesaid and since the revolutionary war he has lived in the towns of Walpool, State of New Hampshire and in Winsom State of Vermont and in the town of Whitehall where he now lives and has lived for thirty years.
4. That he enlisted and volunteered when he entered the service.
5. That he recollects of seeing Gen George Washington, Gen P:Utnam, Col. Langloss with his leg and several other officers and Regiments but does not remember the names and that the General circumstances of his services are in the body of his declaration.
6. That he did not receive at any time a written discharge.
7. That there is no Clergyman residing in the neighborhood where he lives and that he is known in his present neighborhood by Harry Thorn, John Hillebert, William H. Parker, John Boyd, Gideon Taft, Georg Douglass, and many others who can testify to his character for truth and veracity and their belief of his services 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 or Territory [Territory]. (Signed) Clark Eastman

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. J.S. Leigh Clk