

Pension Application for Peter Hatfield

R.4740

State of New York

City & County of New York SS.

On this day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two personally appeared in open court before the Justices of the Court of General Sessions of the Peace of the said city and county now sitting, Peter Hatfield a resident of the said city, eighty four years of age 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 7, 1832.

The he entered the service of the United States sometime in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy seven in a company of a Regiment of Militia in the County of Dutchess and State of New York, and at that time he resided in the town of Frederick in the said County of Dutchess that John Field was the Colonel of the said Regiment and David Heacock the Captain of the said Company.

That this deponent was never engaged in any regular battle but hearing of the burning of Danbury he, with others, pursued the British near to their landing place in Cumpo in Connecticut, where a skirmish took place in which this deponent was engaged. And this deponent further saith that sometime in the year 1667, he received a commission from George Clinton then Governor of the State of New York as a Second Lieutenant of the said Company and acted under the same for two years and upwards when this deponent removed from Frederickstown to the County of Westchester.

And this deponent further saith that the commission above referred to is hereunto annexed, and that he knows of no person shoes testimony he can procure to testify to his services he being advanced in year and unable to visit Dutchess County to make the inquiry.

And he believes that his companions as also his Colonel and Captain are dead as he has not seen or heard of them for many years.

And this deponent further saith that he was born in the town of White Plains in the County of WestChester on the 11th day of November 1748, as he has always understood & believes and that this understanding a belief are derived from the record of his birth in his fathers family bible—and that since the Revolutionary War he this deponent has lived the greater part of his time in the town of White Plains WestChester County and that he now lived in the City of New York. (Signed) Peter Hatfield.

Sworn in open court this 6th day of November 1832. Richard Hatfield Clerk