

Pension Application for Ephraim Herrick

S.10822

State of New York

Dutchess County SS.

On this twenty fourth day of October in the year one thousand eight hundred & thirty two personally appeared before me Stephen Thorn one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the said County of Dutchess being a Court of Record of the State of Ne York Ephraim Herrick of the Town of Milan in said County of Dutchess aged twenty four 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 the 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

He volunteered in a company commanded by Captain Peter Stautenburgh he thinks the names of the first Lieutenant was Dennison the second Lieutenant name was Ebenezer Matt. He entered the service as a volunteer for [five?] months on the first day of August 1776 by joining said company at the Town of Clinton in Dutchess County where this deponent then lived they then was marched to the North River at the Town of Rhinebeck in said County and there was but a Board of a Stoop & taken down the river to SingSing & then landed as the British shiping [shipping] was in the river below at a place called Philipps was marched from SingSing to Kings Bridge Joined Coll Graham Redgment [Regiment] Roswell Hopkins was Lieutenant Coll they lay at Kingsbridge a few days then March two or three miles east lay there till the United States Troops marched from York Island then joined the main Army and marched with them to a place called Dobs Ferry on the North River from there they marched to the White Plains was in the Battel [battle] at that place can not say how long.

They were at the White Plains before the Battel but thinks one or two weeks after the British left the place then was marched to Peekskill & saw duty at that place till the first day of January 1777 where he Rec'd his Discharge the General officer that he saw while at the White Plains were General Washington, Generals Putman, George Clinton, James Clinton and Scott and he further says that in the year 1777 he was called out into the Service the Militia was called out in mass at the time the British shipping came up the North River & burnt Kingston then called Esopus was under the command of the before mentioned Captain Peter Stautenburgh they were marched to Rhinebeck heretofore mentioned which is on the east side of the River opiset [opposite] to Kingston they were marched up & down along the bank of said River watching the movements of the British can not now say how long he was kup [kept] in service at the time is confident it was not less than four weeks and he futher [further] says that during the war he was a number of times called out in to Service for Short Term as there were frequent alarms in the said County of Dutchess by the Tories rising and committing [committing] Robires [robberies] and other deperadations [depredations] upon the inhabitants who were the friends of the cause of the United States but from

the lenth [length] of time he we in service at each time but is able to say it could not be short of six weeks the officer he served under was the before named Captain Peter Stautenburgh except once & then he was called out under Captain Elijah Herrick who was the father of this deponent he say he never received any writin [written] evidence of his services & this deponent further says he knows of no person now living by whom he can prove his services in the war except the circumstances testified to by Tobias Stautenburgh & James Tiller which is here to enlisted says he was born in the Town of Amenia in the County of Dutchess in the year 1758 he has a record of his age name in his possession which he now produces he lived in the Town of [Alenton?] when he entered in the service & continued to live there tillthe year 1785 when he moved to the Town now which is adjoining the Town of Clinton and about one mile distant from the place he formerly lived in said Town of Clinton & has continued to live there ever since and he states the names of Abner Jones who is a clergyman Tobias Stautenburgh, Amos Simmons, James Tiller, & George Caskinham to whom he is known and reside in his present neighbourhood & who can testify as to his character for 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. (Signed) Ephraim Herrick

Sworn & Subscribed the day & year aforesaid before Stephen Thorn Judge &c.