

Pension Application for Seth Marvin

W.17098 (Widow: Hannah)

State of Connecticut

County of Fairfield SS.

Be it remembered that on this thirteenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty eight then personally appeared before the County Court within & for said County of Fairfield, said Court being open and in session and a Court of record according to the Laws of the State of Connecticut, Seth Marvin aged seventy seven years residing in the Town of Norwalk in said County and State who first being duly sworn according to law doth on oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the Provisions made by the Act of Congress of the 18 day of March 1818 and of the first of May 1820 that he the said Seth Marvin enlisted on or about the month of January 1776 at Setauket Brookhaven Township, Suffolk County on Long Island in the State of New York in a company commanded by Daniel Griffin Second New York Regiment commanded by Col. James Clinton in the line of the State of New York on the continental establishment afterwards promoted to be a General and that he enlisted Duration until the last of December then following but through the permission of General Clinton continued until the fifteenth of March 1777 continued at Setauket until Spring the Regiment then went to Shelter Island, and continued at Shelter Island until the British got possession of New York.

The part of the Regiment (three companies commanded by Lieut Col. Livingston, was then ordered off to Saybrook in the State of Connecticut & was employed brining off cattle from the east end of Long Island and helping the Inhabitants off. From thence they went to Fishkill thence to Fort Montgomery when on the 15 day of March 1777.

Declarant was discharged as by the said General James Clinton hereunto annexed reference being thereunto had will fully & at large appear. The Deponent was in no regular battle but now & then had a brush with the British whale Boats while bringing off Cattle and the inhabitants while in the service off the east end of Long Island and between that & Plumb Island, that he continued to serve in the continental army as above mentioned in the Regiment as above mentioned until he was discharged from the service at Fort Montgomery in the State of New York as above stated, that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present that his name is not on the Roll of any State except the State of New York as above mentioned and that the following is his reasons for not making an earlier application for a Pension, that is today, he was led into an error on this subject by a Doct. Miller of Norwalk who informed him he could get no pension, that Deponent was only on the State establishment nor was this deponent enlightened on the subject until he received information and instruction on the subject from Governor Tomlinson now Governor of Connecticut from whom he understood that he being on the Continental Establishment he was entitled to a pension. (Signed) Seth Marvin

Taken, declared to , subscribed & sworn in open court this thirteenth February AD 1828. Test. Thomas B. Osborne, Clerk

And in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820 I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18 day of March 1818 & that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of any property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in Land and Naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War passed on the 18 day of March 1818, that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities contacts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed by me subscribed viz (necessary wearing apparel & bedding excepted)

2 large planes valued at .. 25
2 old smoothing planes .. 12
3 do Augers .. 18
14 Do Planes 1..75
1 pr. Steelyard [?] ..18
1 Hatchet ..19
1 narrow ax ..50
1 old iron pot 12
1 Co Brass kettle ..75
1 Doz knives & forks 50
6 pewter spoons 25
1 Do Ladle 12
2 Hammels 25
1 Iron tea Kettle 25
1 large dish kettle 25
1 small do 12
2 Candle Sticks 18
1 pr shovel & Tongs 75
2 old hand laids 62
1 do Adz 25
1 spade . . 37
1 pr bellows 12

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That no changes have been made in the property of the Deponent since the 18 of March 1818. Seth Marvin

Taken declared subscribed and sworn in open court the day and year aforesaid.
Test. Thomas B. Osborne Clerk

The deponent is a carpenter by trade but cannot follow his business in consequence of losing the use of his right hand entirely by felon [fall on?] that hand & by the improper means taken to cure it, in addition to which his is so enfeebled by age as to be incapable of pursuing his business or any other by reason of his eye sight failing. The Deponent has six children living as he believes, Ebenezer aged 28 or 29

living in Tioga or Seneca County in the State of New York a laboring man and has two children and has no ability to aid Deponent being himself poor, Henry aged 25 years a Boatman who has formerly helped him, about one month since broke on of his legs and is poor, Charles aged 22 is somewhere in the western Country does nothing towards assisting deponent. It is a long time since deponent has heard from him; has three daughters [blot] aged 37 helps a little, she is a mantu[blot] but poor, Lucretia aged 28 is married does nothing for Deponent although married to a man who is pretty able bu the keeps his money to himself, Charlotte aged 21 lives with the deponent and does a little towards his support. His wife named Hannah is 67 years of age and helps to do the house work. The declarant saith that he is in such indigent circumstances as to be unable to support himself without the assistance of his country that is to say without the aid of Government except by private or public charity the deponent saith that the annexed affidavit of Nathaniel Norton of the City & State of New York is the only evidence with his certificate of his services. Seth Marvin

Take declared subscribed & sworn to in open court this thirteenth /February AD 1828. Test. Thomas B. Osborne Clerk