

Pension Application for Jabez Mosher

W.5392 (Widow: Maria)

B.L. Wt.24901-160-55

(Declaration of a Revolutionary Soldier who served in the Militia, to obtain a Pension under the Act of Congress passed June 7, 1832)

State of New York

Erie County SS.

On this Twenty fifth day of August 1832 at Aurora in the County of Erie personally appeared before me James Stryker one of the Judges of the court of Common Pleas in and for the County of Erie in the State of New York Jabez Moshier a resident of the Town of Aurora in the County of Erie and State aforesaid aged 73 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 7th 1832.

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

In the Fall of 1776 he entered the service and served about one month under his Father Captain Jabez Moshier, Lieutenant David Preston, Ensign Henry Groat, the regiment to which our Company was attached was commanded by Col. VanWort, Major Ebenezer Allen and was stationed a part of the time at Cambridge and a part of the time at Salem in Washington County in the State of New York and employed in apprehending Tories in guarding and protecting the frontiers. This deponent farther says that he was called out some time after but what year or month he does not recollect and was engaged in actual service at Fort Edward in the same country and state above mentioned about three weeks under Captain William Brown and from the best of his recollection the fort at that time was commanded by Major Chipman who belonged to the Continental Line—

The deponent further says that he was in the year 1778, or 1778, again called out and served under Captain John Whitesides about 5 weeks and was stationed at Fort Edwards which was at that time commanded by Major Chipman as above stated. This deponent further states that he in the year 1778 or 79 again entered the service at Fort Edwards under Capt. William Brown and at that time the Fort was commanded by Major Chipman & the militia was commanded by Colonel McCray from Stillwater that at that time he was engaged in actual service about 5 weeks and during the time he was there Fort George was taken by the enemy.

This deponent further says that he was out as a soldier at Palmer Town now called Northumberland in the County of Saratoga in t e State of New York under Major Asten & thinks his Christian name was Thomas and was out six weeks and on the approach of winter we were discharged. And was also out two weeks at a time Governor Clinton went to Fort George. This deponent further says that he was again called out and served under Col. VanWort at Salem in Washington then Albany County in the month of July in the year 1777 and was out at that time about five weeks and after staying at Salem in the fort some time went to Bennington with a drove of Cattle at the fort as I supposed was under the immediate command of

Captain McCrackin. This deponent further says that he went under Captain William brown through Vermont and to White Hall then called Skeensborough and was out about one month and staid out [at] Whitehall until winter and that he was also out under the same Captain last above mentioned in March 1780 & went to Fort Edward and staid there in actual service Four weeks.

This deponent further says that he was frequently out on Scouting parties and was frequently out a number of days at a time the particulars of which he cannot recollect.

This deponent further says that his House and all his papers were burnt while he lived in the Town of Amsterdam.

That he was born in the County of Dutchess [Dutchess] at Quaker Hill on the 16th day of march 1759 and resided there about seven years when he removed with his father's family to the Town of Cambridge then Albany now Washington County in the State of New York when he first entered the service and resided in Cambridge aforesaid about thirty years when he removed to the Town of Greenfield in Saratoga County in the State aforesaid when he resided about two years, when he removed to the Town of Amsterdam in the County of Montgomery in the State aforesaid when he resided about twenty nine years, when I removed to the Town of Aurora in the County of Erie where I have resided ever since and now reside.

This deponent further says that he once had a record of his age but it was burnt with his House several years ago and that he has now no record of his age.

That he never received any written discharge from the service, and this deponent further says that he cannot produce any proof of his services other than the above and that his mind is much impaired [impaired] by infirmity and that he can not distinctly recollect the circumstances that occurred during his services in the Revolution and that he now resides about 18 miles from the City of Buffalo where the Court of Common Pleas for Erie County sits and that his health is now so much impaired and so delicate that he is unable from Bodily infirmity to attend the said court to make the declaration above.

That Elias Harmon, William Warren, Nathaniel Fillmore, reside in his present neighbourhood & can testify to his veracity and services.

This deponent further says that he has no documentary or other evidence to prove the service above set forth and he hereby relinquishes any 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) Jabez Mosher

Sworn & Subscribed before me this 25th day of August 1832. James Stryker, Judge of Erie County Courts.