

Pension Application for Ebenezer Mott

W.16654 (Widow: Mary) Ebenezer died January 9, 1813.

B.L.Wt.1392-200-Lieut. Is sued Mar 9, 1791.

State of New York

Dutchess County SS.

On this ninth day of February eighteen hundred and thirty seven personally appeared before me Stephen Thorn a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas in and for Dutchess County, Mary Mott a resident of the Town of Pleasant Valley in the said County of Dutchess and State of New York aged seventy eight years, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed July 4th 1836.

That she is the Widow of Ebenezer Mott who was a volunteer in the army of the United States at the commencement of the Revolutionary War, and was regularly enrolled as a minute man at that time. That early in the spring of 1776 he proceeded to New York City, and assisted in fortifying that city, and in the summer following and according to the best of this deponents recollection and knowledge and belief in the month of August he enlisted for six months as ensign in a company of militia [militia] then under the command of Captain Peter Stoutenburgh and with said company marched to White Plains, and to the best of this deponents information knowledge and belief he was in the Battle of White Plains on the 28th of October 1778.

That at the expiration of his said six months service he again enlisted during the War and had the rank of Lieutenant, under Captain Henry Godwin in the fifth regiment commanded by Colonel Lewis DuBois as was engaged in actual service as this deponent was informed and believes to be true, at Fort Montgomery and the adjutant places, until that Fort was captured by the British in October 1777. Governor Clinton then having the command of the Fort. That he then and there was taken prisoner by the British, and remained a prisoner of War until the first day of January 1781 when he was exchanged. That he afterwards continued in the service until about the middle of November in this same year of 1781 & had the rank of Quartermaster in Colonel Weisenfels Regiment of New York Levies and to this best of this deponents knowledge information and belief he drew Captains pay.

That he continued in said Regiment during the summer and year of 1781, and marched with it to Fishkill, Saratoga and other places not now recollected by this deponent.

And this deponent further declares that the books, papers and documentary evidence herewith furnished belonged to the said Ebenezer Mott in his life time, and was kept by him while he was in the army, and are the same that he brought with him; on his return from the war, and that no additions or alterations affecting these general [?] or original authenticity has been made to or in them & that they were found among his original books and papers and have been kept there ever since his death.

And this deponent further declares that the said Ebenezer Mott lost his commission while he was a prisoner at Fort Montgomery. That at the time of his

enlistment he resided at what was then called Charlotte Precinct (now Hyde Park) In the said County of Dutchess and State of New York.

And this deponent further declares that she was married to the said Ebenezer Mott on the first day of March 1781 and had eight children by him who were each over the age of Sixteen years at the time of his death and that he died on the ninth day of January 1813, and that she has remained his widow ever since as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed. (Signed) Mary Mott

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year first above written.
Stephen Thorn, Judge &c State of New York, Dutchess County