

Pension Application for Ezra Reynolds

W.26366 (Widow: Lurana or Lavina)

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Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed 7 June 1832.

State of New York

Columbia County SS.

On this thirteenth day of February in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty three personally appeared in open court before the Justices of the Justices Court of the City of Hudson in the said County now sitting Ezra Reynolds a resident of the Town of Kinderhook in the County of Columbia in the state of New York aged seventy six years on the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and thirty two 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.

That he was born in the town of Washington In the County of Dutchess & state of New York in 1756 April 14, The record of his age is in his family Bible now in his possession in the town of Kinderhook aforesaid. He has no other Record of his age.

That he was first called into the service of the United States in the Militia in the month of July or about the first of August in 1776 and then lived in the town of Washington aforesaid & lived there when ordered into the service of the United States at the time hereafter stated.

Since the Revolutionary war has lived in the town of Washington aforesaid until about thirty years ago when he removed to the town of Kinderhook aforesaid where he has ever since lived & now lives in said town of Kinderhook.

That he was ordered into the service of the United States as a private in the militia in July or about the first of August in the year 1776, and marched, under the command of Captain Britton Paine, Lieutenant Samuel Waters, Ensign William Mead Colonel Charles Graham, from the town of Washington aforesaid to Poughkeepsie in the County of Dutchess aforesaid; was there put on board of a sloop with the rest of the company and sailed down the North River to Governor Portland at the South end of the highlands and landed there. Remained there one week and then marched under the same officers to Kingsbridge in Westchester County, New York and then joined the Regiment commanded by said Colonel Graham. Remained at Kingsbridge one week and marched with his company which was a company of Rangers to guard the East River.

Drove the enemy from an Island in the East River called City Island—marched from there to East Chester in Westchester County aforesaid. From thence marched to New Rochelle & from thence to Warwick in the same county and remained there some time as a guard with the company. From thence was drove by the enemy to White Plains in Westchester County aforesaid. A few days before the battle of White Plains in Westchester County aforesaid. A few days before the battle of White Plains was taken sick and was removed with other Invalids to Horseneck in the State of Connecticut where he remained during the Battle of White Plains and in hearing of the Battle. A short time after the Battle of White Plains joined the Regiment again at Peekskill on

the North River and continued there with the Regiment until January 1777 and was then discharged but if in writing cannot say—If the discharge was in writing it is lost. Was in this service five months. Returned home & remained at home till the year 1778.

In 1778 (but the month cannot recollect) was drafted and again ordered into the service of the United States In the militia and marched to Fishkill in the North River and there joined the company under the command of Captain Kipp, Lieutenant Boyd. From thence went under said officers to WestPoint in the highlands was there employed on fatigue in building Fort Putnam and water Battery under the command of Colonel Hopkins. Was in this service one month and was then discharged but if in writing cannot say.

In 1778 in the fall of the year, (but in the month deponent can not recollect) was again drafted and again ordered into the service of the United States and marched to West Point aforesaid under the command of Captain Austin Graham was employed and fatigue in Building forts at West Point—was in this service one month & was then discharged, but if in writing cannot say.

That he did not at any time serve with any of the Continental Regiments or Companies in any of his services herein stated. But during this last months service the Regular army was stationed at West Point under the command of Baron Steuben, was not acquainted with any of the officers of the Regular army, but knows that Baron Steuben was there & General Washington came there before he was discharged.

Has no documentary evidence of his services or does he know of any person nor alive whose testimony he can procure to prove his services before stated. That he is well known to the persons from his neighborhood who can testify on his behalf of his services as to his character [can't make out a few lines]

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. That there is no clergyman of the persuasion to which the applicant belongs residing in his neighborhood. (Signed) Ezra Reynolds.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. J.D. Parker Clk