

## Pension Application for John Springsted or Springstead

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State of New York  
Rockland County SS.

On this nineteenth day of November in the years A.D. 1833 personally appeared in open Court before the Judges of the court of Common Pleas now sitting John Springsted a resident of the town of Haverstraw, in the County of Rockland and State of New York aged seventy eight 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 7, 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers ,and served as herein stated. That in the alst of the month of July or the first of the month of August, in the year 1776, he volunteered for four months at Haverstraw aforesaid, in a company commanded by Capt. Edward William Hears, in a regiment commanded by Col'n A. Hawks Hay, and served as a guard at different places along the Hudson River in the now town of Haverstraw, from the Long Clove to Stony Point, doing guard duty, and was discharged about the first od December 1776 having fully served out the time of his engagement.

That on or about the first of April in the 1777, he enlisted at Haverstraw aforesaid for one year, in a company commanded by Capt. William Slow, in a Regiment commanded by Col'n Udne Hay, and was stationed as a guard at Stony Point, where he remained, doing guard duty, until the British Army came up the river to take Fort Montgomery when they retreated—and went to Fort Montgomery, and before the British Army stormed that fort they was ordered and went to West Point, and staid there a few days and from thence they sailed to Fishkill, where they remained doing guard duty, until the British army again returned to New York, when they returned to Stony Point, where they remained doing guard duty until sometime in the month of April 1778. His term of enlistment being expired, he was verbally discharged and went home.

That on or about the first of May 1778, he enlisted for three months, at Haverstraw aforesaid ina company commanded by Capt. John Garner, in a regiment commanded by Col'n A. Hawks Hay and was stationed at Clarkstown, doing guard duty and at Tappan Town town [sic], also doing guard duty, how long he remained at Tappan Town, he is now unable precisely to state, but according to the best of his recollection it was about one month, and while encamped at Clarkstown, the Capt sent a part of his company every day to guard at the Hudson River at Nyack and he performed his part of the said duty as the part that went one day was relieved by others the next day which guard was generally from six to twelve men and after his term of enlistment was expired he was discharged verbally at Clarkstown and went home—

That on or about the first of September 1778, he enlisted at Haverstraw aforesaid, for three years in a company commanded by Capt. Amos Hutchings, said to belong in Col'n Wisenvelt's Regiment of Continental troops, and shortly after his enlistment, Edward William Hears, (then Major and Commissary) called upon Capt. Hutchings Jr. a man to serve in the Commissary department, when he was selected and served with the said Hears three years that while he was engaged in the said service his duty was to deal out provisions to the Continental troops and Militia that were from time to time stationed at Haverstraw and the county near that he assisted in dealing out provision to Gen'l Wayne and the French Army while they lay at Haverstraw and to execute shuch [sic] orders as he from time to time received from the said commissary and was continually employed during the said three years without intermission except once in a will [while] he was for a day permitted to go home to see his parents.

That during his said different enlistments he served as a private and enlisted as a privet [private] under Capt. Amos Hutchings—and was not employed in any civil pursuit.

That he was born in the now town of Haverstraw on the sixth day of April 1755. That the record of his age was in his father's Bible which he inherited which is now entirely worn out and gone and it

was from that record he got his information. That from his infancy to the present period he has always resided in the now town of Haverstraw.

That Gen'l Putman, Gen'l Washington and Gen'l Wayne was at Haverstraw during the term of his service.

That [he] did not receive a discharge for any of his services except for his three years service under Major Hearse, which discharge is now lost or destroyed.

That I am well known to Richard Dickens, Jacob Lent, Judge Allison, Matthew Givine Esq, and many other citizens of the town of Haverstraw who can testify as to my character and their belief of my services.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state. (Signed with his mark) John Springsted.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid, in open court. David Pye, Clerk.