

Pension Application for Samuel Webb

R.11255

State of Kentucky

Spencer County SS.

On this fifth day of January in the year 1835, personally appeared in open court before Thomas Newman, George Collings, William Barnett, Samuel Marshall, Humphrey May and Thomas Barker – Esquires, Justices of County Court of Spencer County now sitting. Samuel Webb in resident of the county of Spence, on the State of Kentucky 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 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and rendered service as herein satted to wit:

He states that in the year 1775, day not recollected, he entered as a volunteer for seven months in the militia of the province or Colony of Connecticut at New Town in the said Colony; he is not certain as to the name of his Captain, but believes it was Smith; he is certain that the name of ;his Lieutenant was Botchford, his Christian name not recollected; the name of Colonel who commanded the Regiment was Waterbury his Christian name not recollected; the rendezvous of the Regiment was at Horseneck from which place it was marched to Ticonderoga where it was placed under the Command of Genl Montgomery from Ticonderoga crossed Lake Champlain, entered lower Canada by descending the River Sorell; that about three miles from St. Johns in Lower Canada the army commanded by Genl Montgomery was attacked by a party of Indians who were driven back; that he marched on with the army to St. Johns and was at the Capture of that place; that soon after the capture of St. Johns he left the service by and with the permission of the Commanding General after having been in Service according to the best of his recollection about four months:--

He States that in the year 1775 towards the latter end of the year in Westchester County in the State of New York, he enlisted for twelve months in the New York State line in the Continental Service, that his Captain's name was Daniel Mills, the name of one of his Lieutenants was Parsons, Christian name not recollected; the name of his ensign was Hale, Christian name not recollected; the name of the Colonel of the Regiment was VanSkoik, the rendezvous of the Regiment was at Albany in the State of New York where the part of the army to which he was attached remained during the winter; in the Spring of the year 1776, he marched with his regiment from Albany to Ticonderoga under the command of Genl St. Clair.

Soon after he reached this later post he was attached to a party to transport provisions in boats from thence to St. Johns in Lower Canada in which services he was engaged until short time before St. Johns was abandoned by the American Troops; a few days before the retreat from St. Johns he was put in the rear guard about ten miles before that Post which was attacked by the advanced guard of Genl Burgoyne's Army when a severe skirmish ensued in which the British advanced guard was nearly all killed and the reminder driven back; he retreated with the Army from

St. Johns to Ticonderoga where [he] served in Fortifying the Post; at this place he was taken sick with a fever and was removed to the hospital at Fort George in the State of New York, and before he got able to perform military duty his term of service expired, and he was honorably discharged at this later place which discharge was given him in writing but has been long since lost.

He States that in the year 1776 towards the later end of the year 1776 towards the later end of the year and as soon as he had recovered from the fever with which he had been attacked as above stated sufficiently to perform military duty he enlisted for three years in the Green Mountain Rangers of Vermont in the Continental Service at a place in the State of New York about one mile from the falls of Stillwater and about twenty four miles above Albany according to his best recollection. Michael Dunn was his Lieutenant and enlisted him, his Captain's name was McCune, his Christian name not recollected, and Seth Warner was the Colonel of the Regiment to which he was attached; the rendezvous of the Regiment was at Ticonderoga where he remained during the winter and until that Post was vacated by Genl St. Clair; he then marched with the army under the command of Genl St. Clair to Skeensborough in Vermont, land from thence he was marched to Rutland and fought in the battle at that place in the month of July; he also fought in the battle of Bennington on the 16th of August & after the battle of Bennington he was marched back towards Ticonderoga and continued his service in the army until he had served about eleven months on account of this last enlistment according to his best recollection, where he received from his Captain written permission to return home which he did after the capture of Genl Burgoyne; that the written permission which he received from his Captain as aforesaid he has long since lost; that during his services as above stated the officers of the Army known to him were General St. Clair, General Montgomery, General Schuyler, General Stark, General Putnam, General Sullivan, Colonel Warner, & Col Ethan Allen.

He states that he was born in a small town called North Castle. That he has no record of his age; that he was seventy eight years of age on the 12th day of March 1834; that when he first entered the service as above set forth he resided in a district called Philips' patent in the State of New York; that after he left the service as above stated he moved to Framingham in Vermont where he resided until he moved to the County of Mecklenburg in the State of Virginia from which place he moved in the year 1782 to a place in the State of Kentucky that is now in Mercer County where he continued to reside until the year 1794 when he removed to the County of Shelby in the State aforesaid where he has resided ever since until the County of Spencer was stricken off in the year 1823 when he was included in the County of Spencer and now resides in said County.

He states that he entered the service as a volunteer and as an enlisted soldier as above set forth, and that the names of the Continental and Militia officers remembered by him are those set forth in a previous part of this declaration.

He states that the only written discharge from the service which he ever received was the one before mentioned for his twelve months tour which he lost as above stated.

He states that he had no documentary evidence and that he knows no person by which or by whom he can prove any portion of his services as above stated and set forth.

He states that he is known to William Stone a clergyman and Thomas Newman residents in his present neighborhood who can testify as to ;his character for veracity and their belief as to his services as [a] soldier of the Revolution.

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.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. Subscribed & sworn to the day & year aforesaid. (Signed with his mark) Samuel Webb.