

Pension Application for Stephen Wheeler

R.25546 (Lydia Hunt, Child)

United States of America

State of New York

County of Columbia To Wit:

In conformity with the provisions of the Act of the Congress of the United States of America, passed March 18th 1818, entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land and Naval Service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" the following Declaration, in writing, is made under Oath, by Stephen Whaler of the Town of Canaan in the Country of Columbia in the State of New York before the Honorable Jonathan Warner Esquire, one of the Judges of the Common Pleas Court of the County of Columbia in the State of New York before the Honorable Jonathan Warner Esquire, one of the Judges of the Common Pleas Court of the County of Columbia in the said state, which Court is a Court of Record of the County of Columbia in the said State, which Court is a Court of Record of the County and State, in which the said Stephen Wheeler doth reside, that is to say:

DECLARATION.

I Stephen Whaler aged Fifty seven years of the Town of Canaan in the County of Columbia in the State of New York in this Ninth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen—Do solemnly, sincerely and truly swear and declare, that I served against the common Enemy, in the Army, in the War of the Revolution, for the term of three years, and that I am a Citizen of the United States, to wit, in the Town County and State aforesaid; and that by reason of ;my reduced circumstances in life, I am in need of assistance from my country for support—

I do further swear and declare, that I served in the said Revolutionary War, in the capacity of, and being a private soldier that I belonged to the Army, to wit, I belonged to Capt John Johnson's Company, Col. Lewis Dubois' Regiment and New York Line—

That I entered the said service the Spring of the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy seven and left it in the Spring of the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and Eighty in the manner following, to wit: I left it by reason of my term of service having expired—I was in the battle of Fort Montgomery that I received a document concerning the same service and discharge, which I have unfortunately lost, and that there is no other evidence in my power to my knowledge, concerning the matters depose by me than the depositions of Ezra Wheeler and Henry Stanton.

--And I further declare, that in pursuance of the requisitions of the aforesaid Act of Congress, I do hereby freely and absolutely, and to all intents and purposes, relinquish all claims to any Pension, under any of the Laws of the United States, except the Pension contemplated to be allowed me under the Act of Congress aforesaid mentioned, and under which this Declaration is made.

In Witness, of the truth of this Declaration, I have subscribed the same in presence of the said Judge, and have solemnly deposed to the truth thereof, on the day herein before, for that purpose, specified. (Signed) Stephen Wheeler

Sworn before me, this Ninth day of April 1818. Jonathan Warner, Judge as aforesaid.