

## **Pension Application for Edward Dunscomb**

W.19206

In the Marine Court.

State of New York

City and County of New York

Declaration.

In order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress of the 7<sup>th</sup> July 1838 entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows."

In the Marine Court of the City New York on this twenty ninth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight personally appeared before the Undersigned Judah Hammond one of the Justices of the Marine Court & came Mary Dunscomb a resident of the City of New York in the County of New York and State aforesaid aged seventy seven 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 provision made by the Act of Congress passed July 7, 1838 entitled "an Act granting half pay and pensions to certain Widows".

That she is the widow of Edward Dunscomb deceased who was a Captain in the Fourth New York Regimen tin the regular army of the United States in the Revolutionary War, that according to the best of her knowledge and as she verily believes, the said Edward Dunscomb then residing in the City of New York in the county and State aforesaid, at a very early period of resistance to the claims of Great Britain became a volunteer in the Company of Fusileers in the Militia Regiment of Colonel John Lasher and was with said Regiment posted on Long Island in August seventeen hundred and seventy six, to meet the army of Britain then landed, that on the night of the twenty sixth of August aforesaid he with Robert Troup and others volunteered their services and were detached by General Sullivan to ascertain the views of the enemy in this service they were captured by the British and Edward Dunscomb for his firmness in resisting improper Enquiries as to the strength & of the American Army was threatened with execution, then confined on board a Prison ship and afterwards was a prisoner on parole in New York.

That being released or exchanged he again entered the service and on or about the twenty first day of November in the said year seventeen hundred and seventy six became a Lieutenant in the Fourth New York Regiment of the army of the United States a Captain Lieutenant on the twenty third of April Seventeen hundred and seventy eight and a Captain in said Fourth New Your Regiment on the Eleventh of April seventeen hundred and eighty; his commission as such Captain bearing date the twenty fourth day of February seventeen hundred and eighty one to take rank as such from the said Eleventh of April seventeen hundred and eighty.

That said Edward Dunscomb was as she has always understood and believes with the army when it suffered in Winter Quarters at Valley Forge in the winter of seventeen hundred and seventy seven, and also was at the Battle of Monmouth on the twenty eighth, also in the Expedition against the Indians under General Sullivan in the summer of seventy hundred and seventy nine, and according to the best of her

belief the said Edward Dunscomb from the time of his entering the service as aforesaid in said Fourth New York Regiment (and prior thereto in Lasher's Regiment as above mentioned) was mustered in the said army to the month of January Seventeen hundred and Eighty one, when his Regiment was deranged.

She further declares that she was married to the said Edward Dunscomb on the fourteenth day of June in the year seventeen hundred and eighty six, that he husband the aforesaid Edward Dunscomb died on the twelfth day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

That she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to first of January seventeen hundred and ninety four Viz at the first of January hundred and ninety four viz at the time above stated to first of January seventeen hundred and ninety four viz at the time above stated. (Signed)  
Mary Dunscomb