

## **Pension Application for George Michael or Michael Acorn**

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Continental (Mass.) and 21<sup>st</sup> Regt U.S. Inf. 1813-1815.

I George Michael Acorn of [Waterboro?] in the County of Lincoln and State of Massachusetts & hereby testify and declare that about the first of December AD 1775 I enlisted to serve as a private soldier in the Army of the American Revolutionary War in the Massachusetts line & on the Continental establishment of serve against the common enemy of the Country for the term of one year& that in [performance?] of said Enlistment I did actually served said fill term of one year in the Army aforesaid and in the Massachusetts line on the Continental establishment and against the common enemy—that the first part of said year I was in Captain Fuller’s Company & in Colonel Bonds Regiment.

But that I was afterward transferred to Captain Smith’s Company in said Bond’s Regiment and that after the Death of said Colonel Bond which took place toward the close of my years service.

Lieutenant Colonel Alden was promoted to the command of said Regiment and that I was in said Smiths company & in the Regiment commanded by said Alden when I was honorably discharged from the service at FishKilns [Fishkill] on [the] North River on the twenty fifth day of Decemder AD 1776.

Captain [?] gave Conrad Hyer a pass in recruiting in writing I was included but the same cannot now be found.

That I have never received any pension from the United States for a wound in the late war received in the Battle of Bridgewater of four dollars per month—which pension I do hereby relinquish all claim to, subsequent to the present time.

I furthermore testify & declare that I receive said Pension by the name of Michael Acorn which name I have been known by for many years I in which name I enlisted in the late war & that in the War of the Revolution I enlisted by the name of George Acorn—George Michael being the names originally given by my parents.

That by reason of my reduced circumstances in life I am in need of assistance from my Country for support & therefore claim (respectfully) to be placed on the pension list of the United States by virtue of the Act of Congress of March 18<sup>th</sup> 1818—entitled “an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War.” (Signed with his mark) George Michael Acorn