

Pension Application for Stephen Adams

S.28963

Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

State of Massachusetts; County of Essex, SS

On this eleventh day of September AD 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Honorable Daniel Appleton White, Judge of the Court of Probate for the county of Essex aforesaid now sitting at Nautiluspond, Stephen Adams, a resident of Newbury in the County of Essex, and State of Massachusetts, aged seventy two years, and upwards, 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 served as herein stated.

He first enlisted at Newbury in the company commanded by Captain Paul Moody in the regiment commanded by Colonel Timothy Pickering Massachusetts Militia and served therein as a private soldier in New York and New Jersey, more than four months. Enlisted in the month of November AD 1776 and served in said company until 1st of April 1777, was then discharged in New Jersey.

Also at said Newburg before the first of May 1777 enlisted in the company commanded by Captain Silas Adams, in the regiment commanded by Colonel Jonathan Titcomb, also Massachusetts Militia, and served therein at Rhode Island the full term of two months—he marched from Newbury with said company and was stationed with them at Bristol on the first day of May AD 1777 and was discharged at Bristol had no written discharge.

Also at Newburg aforesaid enlisted in the company commanded by Captain Samuel Huse in the regiment commanded by Colonel Jacob Gerrish in which company he served at the full term of three months and was discharged at Wenton hill to the best of his remembrance he enlisted in said company in May 1778, and was discharged in August following.

Also towards the close of the year 1778 he enlisted at Newbury afs'd in the company commanded by Captain Oliver Titcomb in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Cogsenoll, and served in said company four months, at Bunkerhill and was discharged at same place. Had no written discharge.

Was born in Newburg in the year 1760 –record in Town books, lived in said Newbury where he enlisted. Josiah Adams of [?] can testify to his character for veracity & belief in his revolutionary services. That he now resides in said Newbury and has always resided there.

Hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pe;nsion, or annuity, except the present, and declares that his name is now on th eprnsion roll of the agency of any State. (Signed) Stephen Adams.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. D. A. White, Judge of Probate.

I, Oliver Goodridge of Newbury, in the County of Essex, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts aged seventy two years and upwards, on oath do testify and declare that I served in the army of the United States, in the war of the Revolution, more than two years—

I was a private in the company which was then commanded by Captain Paul Moody, in the Regiment commanded by Captain Paul Moody, in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Timothy Pickering in General Lincoln's brigade in which I served, in New York and New Jersey.

I do know that Stephen Adams of said Newbury was a private in said Company and enlisted and served therein and I also know that he served the full term of three months but now much longer I am unable to say. (Signed) Oliver Goodridge.

Newbury Point, June 21, 1832.