

Pension Application for Noah Aldrich

W.20585 (Widow: Susanna)
Declaration of Noah Aldrich
State of Vermont
County of Windsor SS.

On this 25th day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two, personally appeared before the the [sic] Probate Court within and for the District of Hartford in the State of Vermont, now sitting, Noah Aldrich, a resident of Hartland in the County of Windsor (and in said District) State of Vermont, aged sixty-six 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 provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That in the town of Adams in the County of Berkshire and State of Massachusetts, where he then resided, he did, on or near the 15th day of April one thousand seven hundred and eighty-one, but on which day he is unable to precisely state, enlist into the Army of the United States, for a term of three years of service, into the Third Regiment and Third Brigade, of the Masachusetts line, commanded by Col - - - Grayton. The company which he entered was commanded, at the time of his enlistment, by Capt - - - [Sinach?] who, however, did not personally take charge.

After some time Capt - - - Lee commanded the company until June 1783 when the wars-men were discharged, and their Capt. Thomas Hunk came to command the company, and he continued under said Hunk until on, or very near the 18th December 1783 when he was discharged honorably by a written discharge signed by Gen. Knox, at West Point, New York, which discharge he, the declarant, has long since mislaid, or entirely lost, so that he is unable to product it.

The other officers of the Regiment were Lt. Col. William Hull, the Major he cannot recollect—the Paymaster's name was - - - Nelson, the Adjutant's name was - - - Savage.

After his enlistment, the declarant marched to West Point, at which place, and other places between the Point and the City of New York he served the principal part of his time. He was, for one summer (of 1782) with the army encamped at Verplank's Point on [the] North River—About the middle of the summer of 1781, the battalion of the Regiment to which he belonged was, with two other whole Regiments, the 9th and 6th marched to Philadelphia, where he remained until sometime in the fall of the same year (1781) when he returned to West Point.

In the march from West Point to Philadelphia, he marched through New Jersey, by Morristown & by Princeton College.

He was not engaged in any of the battles, being on garrison duty; although, about the time Gen. Washington marched to attack Cornwallis, there was about 900 men selected from the different regiments; and put under the command of Col. Scammel.

The said Noah Aldrich hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity, except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any Agency in any State. (Signed) Noah Aldrich

Lyndon A. Marsh, Register as Clerk of the Probate Court, District of Hartford in the State of Vermont. July 25, 1832.