

### **Pension Application for Daniel Allen**

S.36884

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

I, Daniel Allen aged fifty seven years, a resident of the United States, born in Topsham, Maine, now resident in Bowdon, Maine, upon oath testify and declare, that in Jan 7, 1777 I enlisted as a private soldier in the war of the revolution, against the common enemy for the period of three years, upon the Continental Establishment in Capt George White's company and Col. Francis's regiment Massachusetts line. This period fi fully served out and took my honorable discharge from the army at West Point Jan 7, 1780. My discharge is not now to my knowledge in existence.

In January 1781 I again enlisted as a private in the same establishment for the term of three years in Capt Day's company and Col. John Brooks' regiment Massachusetts line. I served under this enlistment, until December 1783 when at Peekskill, I took my final and honorable discharge from the army. I have lost my discharge, and it is not now to my knowledge in existence. I was in the retreat from Tyconderoga. In battle at Bemis's heights and at Monmouth. I wintered one winter at Valley Forge. In the service I broke my right leg, and it remains [?] to this day.

From my reduced circumstances as I am in need of assistance from my country for support.

And I do hereby relinquish all my claim to any pension, herebefore allowed me by the laws of the U. States if any; but I am not to my knowledge borne on any pension list whatever. I request that I may be places on the pension list for the District of Maine. (Signed) Daniel Allen.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Lincoln SS.

On the tenth day of April AD 1818 Daniel Allen above named, after having been carefully examined, made oath to the truth of the foregoing declaration, by him subscribed before me, Nathan Weston Jun, C. Just C. Court [?] 2<sup>nd</sup> Easter Circuit.

Letter in folder dated March 2, 1937, written in response to an inquiry.

Daniel Allen—S.36884

John Knowles—W.C.22582

The data which follow are obtained from the papers on file in Revolutionary War pension claim, S.36884, based upon the military service in that war of Daniel Allen.

Daniel Allen was born in Topsham Massachusetts (Maine). The date of his birth and the names of his parents are not shown.

Daniel Allen enlisted, place not shown, January 12, 1777, served as a private in Captain George White's Company, Colonels Francis' and Tupper's Massachusetts Regiment, was in the retreat from Ticonderoga, battle of Bemus Heights, wintered at Valley Forge, was in the battle of Monmouth and was discharged January 12, 1780.

He enlisted in January 1781, served as a private in Captain Day's Company, Colonel John Brooks' Massachusetts Regiment and was discharged in December, 1783. Soldier stated that his right leg was broken while in service; no further details of the accident given.

He was allowed pension on his application executed April 10, 1818, at which time he was aged fifty-seven years and resided I Bowdoin, Lincoln County, Maine. He died October 4, 1840.

In 1823, soldier's family consisted of his wife, Margary or Murgary, aged fifty-eight years, son James, aged seventeen years, and daughter, Mehitable, aged fifteen years. Two other children are named, a son, Enoch, who was living out of the United States in 1825 and Eliphalet, residing in Litchfield, Maine, in 1824. The name Ezekiel Allen is shown. He died about 1823, no relationship to the family was stated.

John Knowles  
W.C.22582

The data which follow are obtained from the papers on file in War of 1812 claim for pension, W.C.22582, based upon the service in that war of John Knowles. The name does not appear as John C. Knowles.

The date and place of birth and names of the parents of John Knowles are not shown.

John Knowles enlisted at Northport, Knox County, Massachusetts (Maine) and served from September 2, 1814 to September 14, 1814, as a private in Captain Jonathan Fry's Company of Massachusetts Militia.

April 23, 1856, John Knowles, then a resident of Albion, Kennebec County, Maine, and aged sixty-nine years, applied for the bounty land which was due on account of his service in the War of 1812. He was granted one hundred sixty acres of bounty land on Warrant No.91425, under the Act of March 3, 1855.

In order to obtain information in regard to the location of the land cited above, you should address The Commissioner of the General Land Office, Interior Department, this city, and furnish that official with the number of the warrant, the acreage and the date of issuance of said warrant.

John Knowles died June 12, 1873, at Troy, Maine.

The soldier married December 5, 1808, at Lincolnville, Waldo County, Massachusetts (Maine), Miss Catherine Sprague. He was then of Northport and she of Lincolnville, Massachusetts (Maine). Neither had been married previously.

Soldier's widow, Catharine, was allowed pension on her application executed May 11, 1878, at which time she was aged eighty-seven years and resided in Troy, Maine.

She died July 10, 1882, place not given.

There is no reference to children.