

## **Pension Application for John Anderson**

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State of New York SS

On this 14<sup>th</sup> day of August 1818 before me the Subscriber, Recorder of Albany and Judge of the [?] County [?] a court of Record of the said State Personally appears John Anderson aged seventy five years, resident in the almshouse of the City of Albany in the said State, who being by me first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late Act of Congress entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War."

That he the said John Anderson on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of June 1776 captured by the Americans off Boston harbor together with four companies of British troops, contained in three vessels, that he continued prisoner of war until the month of April 1778 when he enlisted for three years into Captain Cooper's Company in Col Bradford's Regiment which was then the 14<sup>th</sup> Regiment of the Mass'etts line. That after being thus enlisted and before he joined the army to perform duty he did abscond from the said Regiment & Comp., and went to the British Camp and went to the British Camp and received from them the arrearage of pay which was then his due.

That he then deserted from them and again returned to the American Army and joined the same Company and Regiment into which he at first had enlisted himself at or about the 13<sup>th</sup> of August 1778. That he was afterward transferred into Captain Bates' Company of the same Regiment to wit the 14<sup>th</sup> Regt &c, where he continued until the month of January 1781. At or about which time a new arrangement took place in the Mass'cts line and this deponent together with the Company to which he belonged was placed under the Command of Col. John Brooks, about the same time this deponent enlisted for During the War and continued to serve as a private soldier in the said Company & Regiment until the ninth day of June 1783 when he was discharged honorably by his Excellency George Washington [?], Commander in Chief, at Snake Hill near Newburgh in the State of New York, and further while in the service as aforesaid of the United States he was in following Battles to wit: Germantown, Brandywine, at Stony Point, Monmouth, and at Yorktown when Lt Cornwallis surrendered.

That he was also with General Sullivan on his Western expedition against the Indians.

And further that ever since the Revolutionary War he has been a resident Citizen of the State of New York. That on account of his advanced age and infirmity eh is unable to support himself and is now supported at the public expence at the Almshouse in the City of Albany. And further saith not. (Signed) John Anderson

Sworn before me this 14<sup>th</sup> day of August 1818. Philip Parker Recorder of Albany