

Pension Application for John Annis

S.10323

State of New York

Chautauqua County SS

On this 12th day of October 1832 personally appeared in open court, before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas now; sitting, John Annis a resident of the town of Ellary in the County and Sate aforesaid, aged sixty nine 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 Act of Congress, passed June 7, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein sated.

He says that he enlisted in the service of the United States at the town of Andover, State of Massachusetts, about the second of April 1780, by a Lieut Lovejoy, that from thence he went to Cambridge and staid for about two weeks that in the month of May he went to Springfield, Mass; where he was mustered, that from Springfield he marched to West Point where he joined the Regiment, which was commanded by Col. Tupper, that his Captains name was Clark—that from West Point he went to New Jersey, and spent most of the season in marching from place to place, not staying more than one month in any one place, that he was at Tappan in the fall of that year and saw Andre executed, from thence he went to WestPoint for winter quarters, that this deponent belonged to Gen Pattersons Brigade, that eh frequently saw Gen Washington, Stuben [Steuben], Lafayette, that Col. Brooks regiment was on the right and Col. [?] regiment on the left of the one this deponent belonged to—that from WestPoint he went to the Fishkill barracks and did duty as a guard, many of the sick being there, that he was there about one month, that from thence he went back to West Point and joined the Regiment, that the latter part of December he was discharged, that his discharge was signed by Capt Clark, that they allowed him ten days to get home; that in January 1781 he got to his home in Andover aforesaid.

That in 1782 (as he believes) in the month of May, he enlisted under Lieut Israel Money at the town of Oxford (then New Hampshire) for six months to guard the frontiers from the Indians, that from Oxford he went to Peacham where he joined his company, that his Captains name was Nehemiah Lodell, Lieuts Money & White, that they built a fort at Pecham, that he believes the Col name was Vailey, that the regiment was stationed at different places, namely, Bethal Corinth & Peacham.

That in the fall of the year there was a skirmish with the Indians in which this deponent took a part, that they were near a pond called Davis pond, about 16 miles from Peacham when they were attached by the Indians, that sergeant Constant [?] and a private named Moses Sleeper were killed, Nathaniel Martin & Nahum Powers were made prisoners—that in December of that year he was discharged. That he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person, whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service except the deposition of Jacob Annis below.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the Agency of any state.
(Signed) John Annis

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. James B. Lowrey Clerk.