

Pension Application for John Atherton

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State of Main

County of Oxford SS.

On this sixth day of August A.D. 1932, personally appeared in open Court before the Court of Probate now sitting, John Atherton a resident of Waterford in the county of Oxford and State of Maine, aged 70 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 stated.

In the winter of 1781 he does not now remember the day or month with sufficient certainty to state upon oath—at Harvard in the County of Worcester and State of Massachusetts he inlisted [enlisted] as a private in the Continental Army for a term of three years and immediately repaired to West Point in the State of New York.

The first part of his service was in Captain Watsons Company in what was called Col. Greatons or the third Massachusetts Regiment. Col William Hull had the immediate command of it. The latter part of his term he was in a company commanded by Captain Tisdale—

During the whole of his term he served up and down the vicinity of the North River in the State of New York—He was honorably discharged, at the close of the war, as a Corporal at West Point. He served under other and different inlistments [enlistments] during the war of the Revolution but deems it unnecessary to state them at length. His discharge for the three years service he supposes to be in the War Department.

He further states that he has once been on the pension role, under the act of March 18th 1818 [???] and has been dropped therefrom on account of his property and that his place of residence still is Waterford, aforesaid—under the above inlistment he served between two and three years but the exact time he cannot state.

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 Atherton

Sworn to, and subscribed, the day and year aforesaid before Stephen Emery,
Judge.