

## **Pension Application for Joshua Austin**

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State of Vermont

County of Windsor SS

On this thirteenth day of April in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and eighteen before me the subscriber Judge of the Court of Probate for the District of Windsor personally appears Joshua Austin aged seventy three years resident in Reading in said County of Windsor who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision of 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 Joshua Austin sometime in the month of March or near that time in the year seventeen hundred and seventy six he enlisted in at Roxbury in the State of Massachusetts in to the Regiment commanded by Colo William Shepherd in the Massachusetts line for the term of one year and was immediately marched to New York and served the said one year out in the floating battery or boats commanded by Colonel Tupper and in the company commanded by by [sic] Capt Clapp of one of which boats the said Joshua had the command and at the expiration of the said term of one year was discharged from service at a place nearly opposite the City of New York on the New Jersey side that-he afterwards on or about the first day of March in the the [sic] year of our Lord seventeen hundred and Eighty enlisted again for during the war in to Capt Cartwrights company in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Henry Jackson in the Massachusetts line and continued to serve in the said Regiment and company (although a part of the time the said Company was commanded by Captain Thomas Hunt and by Capt Watson).

The whole term of the war except about three months of the last of said service when he was transferred into the third Regiment in the Massachusetts line commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Miller and was at the close of the war honorably discharged from service at Newburgh in the State of New York about the first day of June in the year seventeen hundred and eighty three and was honored with a badge of merit for three years faithful service and left the army—

That he was in the battle of Monmouth, in the battle on Rhodeisldand [Rhode Island] and the battles at or near Yorktown in Virginia at the Capture of LORD [sic] Cornwallis and the army under his command and also in several skirmishes with the enemy and that he is in; reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services his discharges having been lost for several years. (Signed) Joshua Austin.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year aforesaid. Urial C. Hatch  
Judge of the Court of Probate for the District of Windsor