

Pension Application for Asa Babbitt

R.337 (Widow: Ruth) Married August 9, 1787, Asa died March 20, 1837.

Declaration. In order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

State of New Hampshire

County of Grafton SS

On this twenty eighth day of August A.D. 1832, personally appeared before me the Subscriber Edward Webber Judge of the Probate Court in & for said county of Grafton Asa Babbitt a resident of Hanover in the county & State aforesaid aged 77 years who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832;.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers & served at herein stated.

That in the Spring of 1778, he thinks in April, at [Athal?] Mass, he volunteered in Capt Mercer's company (Lieut Chase was of the same company Mass Militia) & marched to Boston. That his service consisting in guarding the prisoners of Burgoyne's army at Boston in escorting them to Rutland & in guarding them at Rutland—that in this service he completed the full term of three months & was discharged.

That in July 1780 at said Athal he enlisted in the company commanded by Capt. Stearns of Peters house (Lieut Rogers afs'd, Peters house was of the same company) Mass Militia. That he marched to West Point by way of Claverack & remained at West Point till his term of three months which he fully served, had expired when he was discharged.

That he was born in Easton Mass 1755—Record of his age at Eason—was living in Athal when called into service. Since the revolution has lived in Hanover where he now lives. That eh voluntarily entered the service—Edward Heath was in Command at Boston. A Major whose name he does not recollect had the command of the escort to Rutland.

He can not name the officers of his regiment. He received only verbal discharges.

That Rev Mr. Gaston & Nathaniel Bortlett & [?] Kimball can testify that he is a person of truth veracity & that he is reputed & believed to have been a soldier of the revolution that he has no documentary evidence & knows of no surviving witness who can testify to his service.

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.

That he was at West Point at the time of Arnold's Treason. (Signed) Asa Babbitt

Sworn and subscribed to year & day aforesaid before me Edward Webber, Judge of Probate.