

Pension Application for Elias or Elisha Babcock

W.15676 (Widow: Huldah) Married August 17, 1781, he died May 12, 1839.

B.L.Wt.5207-160-55

State of Vermont

Franklin County SS. [notation in margin-Corporal Augt 1777, Dischg Jany 1786 Capt Watkins]

On this 25 day of March 1818 before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the County Court for the County of franklin personally appears Elisha Babcock aged sixty years resident in Fairfield in said County, who being by me first duly sworn according to Law doth in 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 revolutionary War."

That he the said Elisha Babcock enlisted at [blank] in the state of [blank] in the month of July 1775 in the company commanded by Capt Root in Col. Eaton's Regiment for five months. That he served the full period of his said enlistment & was then discharged.

In July 1776 he again enlisted in a company commanded by Cap Warner in Col. Holmes Regiment for five months that he served out the period of his enlistment that he the said Elisha Babcock again enlisted at Sturbridge in the State of Massachusetts on the 19 day of May 1777 in a company Commanded by Capt Watkins in Col. Browns Regiment for the term of three years in the Massachusetts line in the Continental establishment. That he continued to serve in said Corps or in the service of the United States until the month of May 1780 and when he was discharged from service at Fishkill in the State of New York and his discharge was an honorable which discharge is now lost.

That he was in the battles of St. Johns in Canada and that he is in reduced circumstances and in need of the assistance of his country for support and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said service.

Sworn to and declared before me the day & year aforesaid. In testimony whereof I have herewith set my hand at St Albans this 27 day of May 1819. Frederic Bliss, late Judge of Franklin County Court.

Letter in folder dated February 21, 1924, written in response to an inquiry.

I have to advise you that from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim W.15676 it appears that Elias Babcock, the son of Isaiah and Elizabeth Babcock, was born December 14, 1756 in Voluntown, Connecticut.

He served as private and Corporal in the War of the Revolution and was allowed pension for the service of three years in the Massachusetts Troops, on his application executed March 25, 1818 while a resident of Fairfield, County, Vermont. He died May 12, 1839 in Berkshire, Franklin County, Vermont.

Soldier married August 17, 1780 or 1781 in Partridgefield, lBerkshire County, lMassachusetts, Huldah, born June 4, 1758 in New Milford, Litchfield County, Connecticut. The daughter of Daniel and Huldah Kiney (name also spelled Kinney,

Kenney, Kenny). She was allowed pension on her application executed September 9, 1844 while living in Berkshire, Vermont.

They had twelve children. Polly, Sabrina or Sabrey who married Daniel W. Smith, Peaboday or Pebody, Huldah, Phannelar (?), Lucretia, Elias and William are the only names stated.