

Pension Application for Jeremiah Babcock

S.36904

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

I Jeremiah Babcock, aged fifty two years, a citizen of the United States born in Roxbury Massachusetts, now resident in Augusta in the District of Main—One Oath depose and say that I entered into the Continental service against the common enemy in the month of May 1778 for the term of nine months into the company commanded by Cap. Ellis and regiment commanded, I think, by Col Poor, of the Massachusetts troops, immediately after my engagement, I marched to West Point and was transferred into the express Barge under commandant Malcomb in Hudson River, & served in the Barge Service, until nearly the close of the period of my enlistments & then joined my regiment & served the full period of my enlistment & then joined my regiment & served the full period of my engagement & was discharged at Quaker purchase in New York by the verbal permission of my officer.

In June 1780, I again entered into the three years service into the Continental establishment, against the common enemy into the company commanded by Cap Burr and regiment commanded by Col Henry Jackson of the Massachusetts line—I served untill July 1781. And then took my honorable discharge from the Army at a camp near White Plains. I served upon this campaign thirteen months, on the Continental establishment – against the common enemy.

From reduced circumstances arising from my inability to labor upon which I have principally depended—I am in need of the assistance of my country for support—

And I hereby relinquish all claim to any pension heretofore allowed me by the laws of the United States, [?]; but I am not to my knowledge borne on any pension list, whatever—I request that I may be placed upon the pension list of the District of Maine—my last and final discharge from [the] army where was given me July 1781, as I have above stated—I kept a number of years, but is not now in my possession and is not to my knowledge in existence. (Signed) Jere Babcock. April 7, 1818. Nathan Weston, Jun Chief Justice C. Court C. Pleas, Second Easton Circuit.

Letter in folder dated August 10, 1939, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your letter in which you request the Revolutionary War record of Jeremiah Babcock of Kennebec County, Maine.

The data which follow were obtained from papers on file in pension claim, S.36904, based upon service of Jeremiah Babcock, in the Revolutionary War.

Jeremiah Babcock was born in Roxbury, Massachusetts. Date of his birth and names of his parents are not shown. He signed Jere Babcock.

He enlisted in May, 1778, for the term of nine months in Captain Ellis's Company, Colonel Poor's Massachusetts regiment, and immediately after his enlistment he marched to West Point where he was transferred to the "Express Barge" under Commandant Malcomb on the Hudson River and did barge service until near the close of his enlistment, then he returned to his regiment and concluded full nine months. He

enlisted in June, 1780, served as private in captain burr's company, Colonel Henry Jackson's Massachusetts regiment and was discharged in July 1781.

Jeremiah Babcock was allowed pension on his application executed April 7, 1818, at which time he was a resident of Augusta, Kennebec County, District of Maine, and aged sixty-two years.

In 1820, soldier stated his family consisted of his wife, Anna, aged sixty-eight years, his daughter Mary, aged twenty-six years and his "granddaughter-in-law, Lucinda, aged nine years." Names of her parents not stated.

Date and place of marriage and maiden name of soldier's wife are not shown.