

Pension Application for John Bacon

W.14234 (Widow: Elizabeth) Married November 18, 1782. John died September 12, 1828. Little details available in this file.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

County of Worcester

I Peter Fessenden of Barre in the County of Worcester & Commonwealth of Massachusetts, depose & say that I am now seventy six years of age & that I was a soldier in the Revolutionary War.

I perfectly well recollect that in the year, I should think, 1780, John Bacon of said Barre, where I also then lived, enlisted for eight months service in the war. I also enlisted at the same time, but as the required number was made up without me, I was left at home.

I well recollect that the said Bacon marched from Barre to Claverick [Claverack] on [the] Hudson river for rendezvous to go from thence to West Point.

After this I enlisted for three months & served at West Point, where I saw the said Bacon—I should think about three months after his enlistment—then in the service.

I served my three months at West Point, during which time I believe the said Bacon was ordered to some other place.

I returned home before the said Bacon. I recollect the said Bacon's coming home, I should think at the end of about eight months & I have no doubt that he served that time. (Signed) Peter Fessenden. February 1, 1839, before a Justice of the peace for said County of Worcester.