

Pension Application for Joseph Baker

W.23488 (Widow: Elizabeth) Joseph Baker and Elizabeth Sadler married November 4, 1777. Joseph died 5 or September 1826.

State of New York

Ontario County

On the twenty seventh day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the County of Ontario personally appeared Joseph Baker aged sixty four years now resident in the Town of Phelps County of Ontario who being first duly sworn according to law doth on 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 the Revolutionary war that the said Joseph Baker enlisted in Cambridge in the state of Massachusetts in the company Commanded by Capt. Samuel Bartlett Col. Jonathan Ward Regt for the term of eight months and before the expiration of the said eight months he enlisted for one year in a company commanded by the aforesaid Capt Bartlett and Col Hands Regt at Dolechester in the aforesaid State of Massachusetts and continued in the service of the United States from the month of April in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy five to the sixth day of January in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy seven in which time he was taken prisoner at Tappan with seven others four days after fort Washington was taken carried prisoner to Fort Lee then in possession of the enemy from thence was carried prisoner to New York where he continued until the sixth day of January aforesaid at which time he was paroled as he believes and returned to his native place of abode Montique State of Massachusetts and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of Assistance of his Country for support and that he has no other evidence in his service except the affidavit of Bethel Benton hereunto annexed [annexed]. (Signed) Kpse[j] Baker

Sworn to and declared before me the day and year aforesaid. Philetur Swift one of the Judges of the court of Common Pleas in Ontario County.