

Pension Application for Richard Baker

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Be it remembered, that on this eighth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen before me Samuel Dana Chief Justice of the Circuit Court of Common Pleas for the Middle Circuit (comprehending the Counties of Essex and Middlesex in the Commonwealth aforesaid) comes Richard Baker of Dracutt [Dracut] in said County of Middlesex and on oath declares that he served in the war of the Revolution, against the common Enemy for the space of one year.

He engaged for the State of Massachusetts in the first eight months service.

On the first of January in one thousand seven hundred, and Seventy Seven he enlisted upon the Continental establishment, for one year, in the company of Capt Patch in Col Prescott's Regiment in the Massachusetts line, in this Company he did duty in vicinity of New York for his term of one year & until his term expired [blot] enlisted upon the same establishment, for three years in the company of Jabez Lane in Colo Thomas Nixons Regiment, Brig Gen John Nixons Brigade on the Massachusetts line, during a part of this term, his company was commanded by Lt Chamliers, he compleated [completed] his term of three years, and received from Colo Nixon a discharge, which he has since lost.

He went went [sic] into a company, in Colo Michael Jacksons Regiment for six months.

He next enlisted upon the Continental establishment, for eighteen months in the company of Capt Greens, in Colo Vose Regiment, Let Colo Vose and [?] Pettengill in the Massachusetts line, this tour he performed in the army at New York, and having compleated his term, he was discharged at Westpoint [West Point] and Lt Colo Vose gave him his discharge and he returned to Duracutt.

He is not Seventy eight years of age, destitute of property and stands in need of assistance from his Country for Support and has long since lost all his discharges. Richard Baker which in presence of Isaac Coburn.

Thus made, taken subscribed, and sworn to at Chelmsford in the County of Middlesex the day and yea aforesaid. Saml Dana