

Pension Application for Daniel Ballard

R.461

State of Vermont

County of Bennington

Manchester Probate District SS.

On this 1st day of May in the year 1854 personally appeared in open Court before the Hon. Probate Court within for the Probate District of Manchester, in the County of Bennington & State of Vermont, now sitting Daniel Ballard, a resident of Danby in the county of Rutland in said State but now a temporary resident with a son in Manchester in said County of Bennington, aged sixty six years, who being duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following Declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress, passed June 7th 1832.

That he, with one Polly Kelly the wife of Daniel Kelly a resident of the town of Rutland, in the County of Rutland, in said State, are the only surviving children of Daniel Ballard sen'r late a resident of Poultney in said County of Rutland deceased, who, as he is well informed & fully believes, was a Private soldier & sometime an officer, of some grade (of which if he was duly informed, he is not able from lapse of memory specifically to state) in the army of the United States during the revolutionary war—

That has he is informed & verily believes, he the said Daniel Ballard Sen'f in the year 1775, enlisted & served for the term of eight months, as private soldier, in the Company of Infantry, commanded by Capt. John King & in the Regiment commanded by Cols Ruggles Woodbridge he further understands & believes that he the said Daniel Sen'r performed further military services in said army during the year 1776 but in what Corps, company or regiment, nor for how long term of period of service, nor in what capacity or grade, he served, he is onto now able precisely to state, but presumes as a Private soldier—that he the said Daniel Sen'r further served as a Private soldier, under the Command of Lieut John Trusk & in the Regiment commanded by Colo David Leonard, in an expedition to Ticonderoga on Lake Champlain, twenty one days, from the 20th day of March to the 10th day of April inclusive in the year 1777--& in the same year in the months of September & October, he further served, as a Private soldier, in the company commanded by Capt. Ebenezer Goodale & in the Regiment under the command of Colo David Wells for the further period of one month & one day--& he further states, that he verily believes, form information received from the said Daniel Sen'r & from other sources, that he the said Daniel Sen'r performed other military services in the army of the United States in the subsequently years of said war but he is not now able to specify the same, either as to the length period, or periods of said service or services, or the year or grades, capacity or capacities in which they were performed nor in what Corps, company or regiment, if he has been so informed— For all ;which said services, he the said David understands & verily believes, that the said Daniel Sen'r was fully entitled to have received & enjoyed during his lifetime, under the virtue of the aforesaid law of the United States of the 7th of June 1832 a Pension or Pensions pursuant to said law, to the time of his decease—

Nevertheless, the said Daniel is fully assured & firmly believes, that he the said Daniel Sen'r never did in his lifetime apply for, nor in anyway receive, or enjoy and such Pension, or other benefit resulting from said laws nor any other Pension law of the United States, nor any individual State.

And the said Daniel Further states, that he the said Daniel Sen'r died at said Poultney, on the 7th day of September in the year eighteen hundred & thirty ;nine & at his decease left no widow & that the said Daniel & his said Sister Polly Kely are the only surviving children of the said Daniel Sen'r & that she the said Polly Kelly, has fully authorized & informed him the said Daniel, as well for himself as for her & their mutual benefit to apply for & receive the amount of Pension due to their deceased father, the said Daniel Sen'r at & to the time of his death, under & by virtue of the aforesaid act of June 7th 1832. (Signed) Daniel Ballard.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year first above mentioned, before me. S. S. Burton, Register of Probate.