

Pension Application for Ebenezer Ball

W.14232 (Widow: Phebe) Phebe Wesson married Ebenezer Ball October 4, 1787. Ebenezer was born September 2, 1756. He died December 5, 1837.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

County of Middlesex SS.

On this seventeenth day of August A.D. 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Court of Probate now sitting at Concord within and for the county of Middlesex in the Common wealth aforesaid, Ebenezer Ball of Townsend in said County aged 75 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 entered the service of the United States, under the following named officers, and served as herein stated. That is to say:

1. Towards the close of the year A.D. 1775 troops were wanted to supply the place of the eight months men untill the year's men should arrive. He accordingly enlisted for six weeks under Capt. Haskill of Shirly, Lieut Job Shattuck of Groton, 2d Lieut Samuel Gilson of Pepperell, Peter Butterfield of Townsend and Wallis Little of Shirly were Sergeants. He completed his term of service and was dismissed.
2. In February A.D. 1776. He enlisted for two months, under Capt Job Shattuck. Lieut Daniel Fiske, and Lieut Peter Buttersfield, James Parker, Serjeant his company was in Col. Robinsons regiment. They were stationed at Lockmere's Point in Cambridge, where they built a fort &c. He completed his two months, and was dismissed.
3. In July 1776 he engaged for five months to go to Ticonderoga under Capt. Job Shattuck of Groton, Lieut Pierce of Pepperell. Nathan Conant of Townsend 2d Lieut, Col Parker and Abner Adams, Sergeants. His company then marched to the northern frontier & served untill [?] belonged to Col. Jonathan Reads regiment [?] 1776 when he discharged having served three months and two weeks.

He relinquishes every claim, whatever, to a pension or annuity, whatever except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. (Signed) Ebenezer Ball

S.P.P. Fay, J. Probate

[After the above deposition, this was added.

4. In A.D. 1777 He engaged to go to Rhode Island, and enlisted for six months, under Capt. Nathaniel Laken of Pepperell, Lieut Samuel Lawrence of Groton, 2d Lieut John Chaney of Dunstable, Shebell Conant and William Kemp he believes were Serjeants, and they were in Col. John Robinsons regiment, Lieut Col Jacobs. They marched to North Kingston then to Providence and Taunton, and back to North Kingston, were at Point Judith, land remained at North Kingston, till his time was out and he was dismissed.

5. In 1778 he engaged for three months to go to Boston, they were occupied in gaurding [guarding] stores, and for said Roxbury neck – his Captain was Edmond Langley of Shirley, Lt Weeks of Marborough and Lt Parker of [?] John Read of [?] Orderly serjeant, and he believes his company was in Colo [Coxwalls?] Regt, he served out his term of three months and was dismissed. &c, &c.