

### **Pension Application for John Banks**

S.35776 (Died 17 July 1818.

State of New York SS.

To the Hon. Richard Riker, Recorder of the City of New-York, and one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas, called the Mayor's Court of the City of New-York, which is a Court of Record of the State of New-York.

The Declaration under Oath of John Banks formerly a Deputy Commissary of Military Stores engaged in the Service of the United States, during the Revolutionary War, now a Citizen of the United States and resident of the City and County of New-York, respectfully sheweth,

THAT the said John Banks sometime in the year 1775 or 1776 he entered as a volunteer in the Company of Capt. Flemming in the Revolutionary War & served against the common enemy in Col. Malcolm's Battalion.

That afterwards he was appointed Deputy Commissary of Military Stores at West Point & continued acting there in that station during the remainder of the war—That he received Captain's pay at West Point, but had no regular commission. That as a soldier or an officer he served the whole war. The discharge & papers are lost.

And the declaration further sheweth, that the said John Banks is now a citizen of the United States, resides in the city of New-York, and is, by reason of his reduced circumstances in life, in need of assistance from his country for support.

That he is now about eighty eight.

Therefore the said John Banks conceives himself entitled to the benefit of the Act of the Congress of the United States, entitled, "An Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land and Naval Service of the United States in the Revolutionary War," approved 18<sup>th</sup> March 1818, and requests your Honor will examine into the truth of the matter aforesaid, certify and transmit the testimony in the case, and the proceedings had thereon, to the Honorable the Secretary of the Department of War, to the end that such relief may be had in the premises, as is by law in such case made and provided. And in support of the facts above set forth, the said John Banks refers to the declaration of Col. Henry Rutgers of the City of New York. (Signed) John Banks.

City and County of New-York, SS. Of the City and County of New-York, being duly sworn, saith, that the matters by him set forth in the foregoing Declaration, are in all respects just and true. (Signed) John Banks.

Sworn before me this 3d day of April 1818. R. Riker Recorder of the City of New York.