

Pension Application for Lemuel Barrett or Barritt.

W.21547 (Widow: Anna) Married May 5, 1792. He died October 4, 1842.

B.LWt.24162-160-55

State of New Hampshire

Grafton County

On this fifteenth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty three personally appeared in open court before the judge of the court of the Probate of Wills &c, for said county now sitting Lemuel Barret a resident of Libson in said county aged seventy one 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 7, AD 1832.

I entered the service of the Unites States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

I enlisted about the 2d July 1780 at Chelmsford Massachusetts under Captain Joseph Emerson & was in a few days ordered to Springfield Mass where I passed muster, and from thence I was ordered to West Point to help fill up the vacancies made in the army by the discharge of the three years men (so called). I there joined Captain Benjamin Pierces Company in Col. Jacksons Regiment and General Learneds Brigade. Col. Jacksons Christian name (I believe) was Henry. Benedict Arnold commanded at West Point—as near as I can recollect about the last of August with the army under the command of General Washington—we crossed North River at the Point and marched to Blank Point where the army stayed three days—from thence—we march[ed] to a place called I (believe) Tenecks crossing the river at Kinds Ferry and then to Crumpond where I first learned of the treachery of Arnold and the capture of General Andre.

General Washington had left the army before we were at Crumpond—to go to Connecticut I believe—I do not recollect how long we was at Crumpond—but I am very certain –that Genl Andre was executed while the army was at or near Crumpond. We went from Crumpoind to Pyramus—to Totowdy and then returned to West Point (not crossing the river at—all) under the command of General Green.

I continued at West Point until discharged which was about the 2d of January 1781. I lost my discharge about forty eight years ago. I also served as a substitute of my father Benjamin Barret three months in the year 1779, my father enlisted at Chelmsford in Captain Pollards Company of State troops (I believe) in August 1779. I took my father's place and marched form Chelmsford with the company at Springfield and from thence to Albany and from thence to the new city now Lansingburg (New York) I with the company under the command of Captain Pollard was employed in the vicinity of Lansingburg [rafting] and continued at Lansingburg or in the vicinity until discharged sometime in November 1779.

I do not recollect the Christian name of Captain Pollard nor the names of the other officers, which at Lansingburg we were-employed usually in small squads.

I therefore had not an opportunity to know much about my officers.

I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declare that my name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

I was born in the town of Chelmsford Massachusetts October 12, 1781 my birth is recorded in the town records of Vershire Vermont my discharge was signed by Colonel Jackson.

I am known by Onus Savage, Charles Cowen, David Cowen, all Clergyman and Hamlin Ranel Esqr, who will al testify to my character for veracity and their belief of my services as a revolutionary soldier I have no written evidence of my services.

Sworn to and subscribed Lemuel Barritt the day and year aforesaid before me Edward Webber, Judge of Probate.