

Pension Application for Reuben Barrett

W.25211 (Widow: Elizabeth Knowlton.) Married December 2, 1784 by Walter Seaman Esq. Justice of the Peace of the County of Westchester County. Reuben died August 4, 1830. Children: Mary Wright of Fishkill was born 1785. Mary stated she had 7 sisters and 2 brothers.

State of Connecticut
Fairfield County SS.

At a Court of Probate holden at Norwalk within and for the District of Norwalk in said County and State being a court of record on the 26th day of November 1840 personally appeared before said court Elijah Dinger of said Norwalk who being duly sworn according to Law depose and says that he is eighty three years of age was well acquainted with Reuben Barrett formerly of Bedford County of Westchester, State of New York dec'd and lived in the same neighbourhood with said Barrett during the Revolutionary War that in the summer of 1780 said Barrett entered the service of the United States in said Bedford in Capt. Benj Stevens' company and was marched to the northward and was in said service for more than three months, the deponent was in the same service in a different company and also well remembers that he often saw said Barrett in the Militia service, during the war, but owing to his great age and information can not state the length of his services but believes he was in the service of the United States for more than one year during the Revolutionary War. (Signed with his mark) Elijah Dinger.

Sworn and subscribed the day and year before said that I am well acquainted with said Elijah Dinger and that he is a credible person. Benj Isaacs Judge of said Probate Court.

State of New York
WestChester County SS.

Samuel Barrett of the Town of Bedford in the County aforesaid aged eighty four years who being duly sworn doth depose and say that he now resides in the Town of Bedford in said County, that he was a soldier in the Militia during the Revolutionary War, and at that time resided in the Town of Bedford and performed military service in the said county of West Chester and this deponent further saith that during the Revolutionary War he was well acquainted with Reuben Barrett who also resided in the said Town of Bedford aforesaid and near neighbour to this deponent, and knows from personal knowledge that the said Reuben Barrett performed military service in the company under the command of Capt. Marcus Moseman, Lieut Silas Miller and Ensign Eli Tyler, that the said service was performed in West Chester County on the lines, or occasions of alarms and invasions, and in various places in said county in patrolling & as guard, and in frequent alarms by night and day almost incessantly, as West Chester County in part, was in possession of the enemy till the close of the war.

But owing to the great length of time that has elapsed since said service was performed, the numerous and short periods it consisted of, this deponent cannot set them forth as to day and date, but from the best of his recollection should think the said service commenced about the year 1777 in the company commanded by Captain Moseman.

And this deponent further saith that the said Reuben Barrett performed Eight months service in the company of Militia commanded by Captain ____ Stevens which said service was performed in the lower part part [sic] of the country on the lines (whether the said Reuben Barrett was enlisted cannot say, but this deponent further saith that for the same term of service in the same company this deponent hired Eliakim Wardle as a substitute and paid him for said service Thirty pounds in silver and gold.

This deponent further saith that the said Reuben Barrett must have actually performed at least, two years service, (including the eight months and under Captain Stevens) commencing as before stated in the year 1777, and ending at the close of the war 1783.

And further this deponent saith not. (Signed) Samuel Barrett

Subscribed and sworn this 20th day of June 1840, before me, Jabez Robertson, Justice of the Peace.