

Pension Application for David Bartlet or Battlett

S.21063

Declaration, In order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress on the 7th of June 1832.
State of Massachusetts
County of Hampshire SS.

On this sixteenth day of August 1832, personally appeared in open court, before Hon. Samuel Hinckle Judge of the court of Probate for Hampshire Co., no witting, David Bartlett a resident of Belchertown in the County of Hampshire, and State of Massachusetts, aged 73 years, who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following names officers, and served has herein stated.

A short time before the battle of Bennington, in August 1777, my father David Bartlett of said Belchertown as drafted as a militiaman for six month to go to Bennington. I took his place as his substitute and immediately started for that place, reached there a few days after the battle—found the meeting house then full of British troops.—stayed there a few days, [?] think about one week, during which time & assisted in guarding the Prisoners & stores, Cold Woodbridge of South Hadley commanded the Regt.—Lt Col. Whitman—adj't John Stickney of s'd to Hadley, Capt Joseph Hoskin, Lt James Hulbert & Lt. Reuben Barton—from Bennington, was ordered to Manchester—thence to Pollet—thence from 6 to 10 days—stood guarding thence towards Skeensboro till within 2 or 3 miles of the Lansing at that place under orders to march directly back to Pollet, where stayed one night —thence to “Tulls Mills’ & to cross the river to “Bemis” Heights—thence at the time of s'd engagement of the place—not in the battle—thence followed the British as they retreated form “Bemis’ Heights” to Saratoga. Stayed here till surrender of Burgoyne—saw his troops march thro’ the army—which was commanded by Genl Gates—thence taken to Albany & stayed a short time—thence to Newburgh—thence a board of a vessel to Tarrytown—thence to White Plains & Scarsdale where stayed about one month—thence to New Rochelle—stayed one or two days—thence back to Scarsdale where stayed till time expired, the first of December—thence dismissed.

I further state that at said Belchertown in October 1779 enlisted for 3 months to go to Claverack N.Y.—Col. Chapin, Maj Williams & Hadley, Capt Moses Montague of s'd Hadley, Lt Edward David White was Adjutant of Belchertown —passed on to Claverack, stayed 8 or 10 days—then ordered to Albany upon serving out the 3 months & dismissed.

Was born at Ware in the County of Hampshire & Commonwealth of Massachusetts June 7, 1759, don't know whether[?] was recorded in town books when 4 years old, his father removed to Halifax, Vermont where lived 7 years when removed to said Belchertown where I have lived ever since. Never had a written discharge.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity, except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency in

any State, or (if any) only on that of the agency in the State of [blank] (Signed) David
Bartlet

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid before me. Samuel Hinkley
Judge of Probate.