

**Pension Application for Solomon Bartlett or Barttlet**

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I Solomon Bartlett of Plymouth Mass. A soldier for during the war in the Revowar on the Massachusetts line, testify, that being a Sergeant in the third Regt commanded by Colo Greater. I as drafted in the fall of 1782 into the spy boat service under Cap Joseph Prey on the North river, between the City of New York and the American Army. That in said boat service, and Coxswain of one of the boats I frequently go the newspapers of the City, [went from the preps?] & conveyed them to my officers in Camp.

After being some time in that service I was captured with my boats crews—opposite Tarrytown, by one Major Hatfield (his crew being in womens clothes) & carried into New York and confined in Cloro prison, seventeen days in irons, a spy & over eight months beside, till the new of the cessation of hostilities was conveyed to us in prison under the crust of a loaf of bread. That I think in about four weeks after this I was exchanged, & while my way to camp—I met my Captain Job Summer on the lines. Being very much out of health from my imprisonment, I was never again called on duty, till I was discharged at New Winsor [Windsor] on the tenth day of June 1783, as near as I can remember in three or four weeks after my return. At this period, all was joy & triumph and I believe from this circumstance enquiring was had about my absence, or the cause of it, tho' from being in captivity I may have been marked a deserter, for no person could know whether I was captured or deserted, will I returned to camp. (Signed) Solomon Bartlett

Sworn to April 15, 1819 before me. Nahum Mitchele Judge &c.