

Pension Application for Joseph Bates

S.33985

B.L.Wt.99-300 Capt. Issued Apr 16, 1790 No papers.

Letter in folder dated August 23, 1928, written in response to an inquiry.

I advise you that from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim S.33985, it appears that Joseph Bates was born (date not given) in Wareham, Plymouth County, Massachusetts.

While a resident of Sadi Wareham, he served in the Massachusetts Troops as follows:--

Enlisted in the spring of 1775, as Sergeant, officers not stated, and captured a brig in Tarpaulin Cove; from the spring of 1776, as Ensign in Colonel Cary's Regiment, was in the battles of Long Island, Harlem Heights, and White Plains; was commissioned January 1, 1777, Lieutenant, in Captain Joshua Eddy's Company, Colonel Bradford's Fourteenth Massachusetts Regiment, was in battles of Stillwater and the battle of Monmouth; was commissioned October 8, 1779, Captain of a Light Infantry Company, in Colonel Brooks' Seventh Regiment, was in the battle of Morrisinana, and at the capture of Cornwallis, and served to the end of 1782. Also served under Col. Scammell Alexander Scammell of N.J.

He was allowed pension on his application executed May 9, 1818, while a resident of Fairhaven, Bristol County, Massachusetts, aged sixty-eight years.

In 1820 soldier referred to his wife and three sons, but their names are not given, and there are no further data on file as to his family.