

Pension Application for Joshua Bayley or Bailey

W.23533 (Widow: Sarah Bailey) Married December 31, 1764, he died November 4, 1827.
State of Massachusetts
Lincoln County SS

To the Hon. Josiah Stebbins one of the Judges of the Circuit Court of Common Pleas, (called the second eastern circuit) which is a Court of record in the State of Massachusetts.

The Declaration under Oath of Joshua Bailey formerly a Corporal engaged in the Service of the United States during the Revolutionary War, now a Citizen of the United States and resident of the town of Woolwich County of Lincoln and State of Massachusetts, respectfully sheweth,

That the said Joshua Bailey enlisted into Capt John Bailey's Company in the 8th Regiment Mass line, commanded by Colonel M. Jackson in the month of Feby or March 1777 for three years in June following was transferred into Capt Burnam's Comp'y and continued to serve in the same Company and Regiment until the 14th day of February 1780 at which time he was honorably discharged at West Point as will be seen by the annexed discharge.

And the declaration further sheweth, that the said Joshua Bailey is now a citizen of the United States, resides in; the town of Woolwich county of Lincoln and State of Massachusetts, and is by reason of his reduced circumstances in life, in need of assistance from his country for support.

That he is seventy years of age, he was at the siege of Fort Stanwicks at the surrender of Genl Burgoyne, and at the Storming of Stony Point with Genl Wayne.

Therefore the said Joshua Bailey conceives himself entitled to the benefit of the Act of the Congress of the United States, entitled, "An Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land and Naval Service of the United States in the Revolutionary War," approved 18th March, 1818, and requests your Honor will examine into the truth of the matter aforesaid, certify and transmit the testimony in the case, and the proceedings had thereon, to the Honorable the Secretary of War, to the end that such relief may be had in the premises, as is by law in such case made and provided. (Signed) Joshua Bayley

Sworn and subscribed before me this 7th day of Sept 1818. Josiah Stebbins, a Judge of the C.C.C. P. 2d E. C.