

## Pension Application for Truman Beeman

S.12121

State of New York

Madison County SS.

Personally appeared in open court before the Judge of the Court of Common Pleas now sitting, October 9<sup>th</sup> 1832, Truman Beeman of Smithfield in the County of Madison and State of New York. Being first duly sworn according to law deposeseth and says that he was born in Kent in the County of Litchfield and State of Connecticut in the year of our Lord 1760 as he has ever understood and doth believe and that he is now seventy two years of age and rising.

And that in the month of January 1776 at Kent he enlisted under Capt. Eleazer Curtiss in Col. Vansiack's [VanSchaick] Regiment N. York line for the term of one year but served under Captain Martin of said Regiment—was at Fort George until spring and went to St. John's and was present when the American Army left the Fort and went to Ticonderoga.—The company in which this deponent was went to Saratogia [Saratoga] where this deponent was taken sick and was discharged on the 19<sup>th</sup> of December by D. Budd surgeon and E. Curtiss Major. See Budd & Curtiss Discharge also see Joseph Agard's affidavit.

This deponent further says that in the month of March 1777 he again enlisted under Ebenezer Hill who was then a recruiting officer in Colonel Swifts Regt and was stationed at New Milford in Connecticut until the British plundered and burnt Danbury which he thinks was in April when this deponent was called there and from there was sent on to join the Regt and was put into a company commanded by Capt Albert Chapman was in the Battle at Germantown where in trying to secure the flint broke the corkscrew of his gun and took a gun from a wounded British soldier and when the battle was over turned his broken gun into the store and used the one he had taken the rest of the campaign and was discharged on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of December 1777 by Capt. Chapman at Vallyford [Valley Forge?] see Capt Chamans Certificate for the fun.

This deponent further says that in the spring of 1778 he again enlisted under Major Eleazer Curtiss in Col. Enos Regiment in the Connecticut line for the term of one year to be out but three months at a time unless in case of some alarm and served under Capt. David Olmsted was dismissed at HorseNeck but hired a substitute for the last three months.

In the month of Sept 1779 went as a substitute for John Hendrick for two months and served under Capt. Elijah Hazen and was discharged November 26<sup>th</sup> at Danbury, see Hazen's Discharge. Again in the month of June 1780 this deponent again enlisted into the 7<sup>th</sup> Connecticut Regt commanded by Col. Heman Swift for the term of six months and believes he served a part of the time under Capt Miles—was on the gard [guard] at the execution of Major Andran [Andre] and was discharged at Highlands the 13<sup>th</sup> day of December see certificate by Samuel Handy sergt and Jon'n Deming Sergt Mjr see also discharge from H. Swift Col. Comdr and also affidavit of Thomas Grant.

This deponent hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any state. (Signed) Truman Beeman

Sworn & subscribed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of October 1832. A. S. Sloan, Clk.