

Pension Application for Elias Benedict

R.741

Declaration

In order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

State of New York

County of Herkimer SS.

On the 12th day of September 1846 personally appeared before the subscriber a Judge of the Court in and for said County Elias Benedict a resident of Columbia in said county aged eighty one 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 Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That on or about the 17th day of October in the year 1780 deponent was taken prisoner by a party of British and Indians and taken to Montreal in the provence [province] of Lower Canada and retained as a prisoner until some time in the month of December in the year 1782 when deponent was exchanged and returned home. Deponent further deposeth and saith that he was born as he has always under stood & believes in the year 1765 (seventeen hundred & sixty five) in Danbury in the County of Fairfield and State of Connecticutt [sic], that deponent afterwards lived at Ballston in the County of Saratoga & State of New York, at which place deponent lived when taken prisoner as above stated. That deponent's father viz; Elisha Benedict, two of his brothers, and a number of other persons were taken prisoners at the same time that this deponent was taken prisoner. That this deponent received pay for the time of his imprisonment and a certificate for the same which certificate this deponent has lost, that deponent does not know of any person living who was taken prisoner at the same time that this deponent was taken prisoner.

Deponent hereby relinquishes every claim what ever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state, territory or district. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid before me. J. W. Beckwith. In presence of Chauncey Adams. (Signed with his mark) Elias Benedict

Family Record

Elisha Benedict sen'r born April 2d AD 1736

Jerusha Starr his wife, born April 26th AD 1727

Caleb Benedict their first son born Sept 27, AD 1758

Elisha Benedict their 2d son born July 5th AD 1760

Ira Benedict their 3d son born Jany 13th 1763.

Elias Benedict their 4th son born May 23d AD 1765

Felix Benedict their 5th son born May 13th 1767

[can't read several entried]

Elizabeth [?] born December 23d AD 1765.

Christopher H. Benedict 1st son of Elias & Mary Benedict born July 21st AD 1789

Charles Benedict their 2d son born March 20, 1791

Elizabeth Benedict their 1st daughter born Augt 9th 1793

Nancy Benedict their 2d daughter born March 1st AD 1796

George Benedict their 3 son born January 19th AD 1799

Elisha Benedict their 4th son born March 21st AD 1802

Mary Benedict their 3d daughter born Feby 27th 1805

Charles Benedict son of George Benedict born June 7th AD 1824

John Q. Adams son of Chauncy Adams born May 9th AD 1825.

Jesse C. Benedict son of George & Margaret Benedict born August 31st AD 1826

Elias Benedict & Mary Hagerman, married October 7th AD 1788.

Christopher H. Benedict son of Elias & Mary Benedict married to Elizabeth Petrie April 11th AD 1813
Elizabeth Benedict daughter of E & M. Benedict married to Jesse Campbell October 12th AD 1815
Mary Benedict 3^d daughter of E. & M. Benedict married [?] October 9th AD 1822
George Benedict 3 son of E & M. Benedict married to Margeretta Hoffman February 12th AD 1824.
Elisha Benedict married to Wealthy E. Cleland June 7th AD 1825
Charles Benedict married to Frances M. Barker September 25th AD 1828.