

Pension Application for Jeremiah Bennett

W.23590 (Elizabeth)

B.L.Wt.19535-160-55

Declaration. In order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress of the 7th July, 1838 entitled, "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows."

On this twenty sixth day of April 1839 personally appeared before me Hugh Halsey First Judge of the County of Suffolk in the State of New York Elizabeth Bennett a resident of Easthampton in the said County of Suffolk and State of New York aged seventy nine years, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July 7th 1838 entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows". That she is the widow of Jeremiah Bennett late of Southampton in the County of Suffolk and State of New York who was a private soldier in the Army of the Revolutionary War—that he was in the service previous to her marriage—has proof of which service she refers to the testimony of Silvanus Halsey, James Sayre and Stephen Talmage hereinto annexed—and she further declares that she was married to the said Jeremiah Bennet in the month of November seventeen hundred and seventy seven by the Reverend Samuel Buell Porter of the church and congregation in said town of Easthampton that her husband the aforesaid Jeremiah Bennett died the twenty seventh day of April eighteen hundred and twenty three. That she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service but the marriage took place previous to the first of January seventeen hundred & ninety four, viz at the time above stated. (Signed) Elizabeth Bennett

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 26th day of April 1839. H. Halsey First Judge Suffolk County

State of New York

Suffolk County SS.

James Sayre of the Town of Southampton in the county aforesaid being duly sworn deposeth and saith that he was eighty five years of age last August—that he was a soldier in the war of the Revolution—that he enlisted at Bridgehampton in said County as a private soldier in the company commanded by Capt. John Hulbert in the Regiment commanded by Col. James Clinton being the third Regiment of the New York troops on the last of June or first of July in the year 1775—as will appear by the muster and pay roll of the said Capt. John Hulbert which as he supposes are now on file at Washington among the papers of this deponent sent to the House of Representatives at the time of his application for a pension which was granted to him by Congress in the session of 1837 & 1838. And also the said payroll and muster roll are as he has been informed in the office of the War or Pension Department—very soon after his enlistment he was appointed a Corporal in said company and served as such during that campaign. That they first marched to Montauk on the East end of Long Island and remained there as a gard [guard] until the latter part of August then next—they then marched to Sag Harbor and on the first day of September embarked on board of a Sloop for New York—staid there a few days and then sailed up the Hudson River in the same vessel to Albany, then marched from Albany to Fort George at the South end of Lake George in the State of New York—then crossed Lake George and landed about three miles from Ticonderoga and marched there and staid till the last of October—and on the first day of November they recrossed Lake George on their return to Old Canaan in Connecticut with one hundred and seventy five prisoners taken at Fort Chamblee by General Arnold & Col. Ethan Allen—on their way with said prisoners they passed through Fort George—on to Albany and then by water down the river to Red Hook—where they landed, and marched to Old Canaan where they left the prisoners and marched to Fort Constitution on the Hudson River where they arrived some time in November, where they staid till the last of December of that year—when he was discharged—and this deponent further saith that Jeremiah Bennett of the town of Easthampton in said County of Suffolk

enlisted into said company commanded by Capt. John Hurlbut about the same time with this deponent as a private soldier and served in said company with him from the time of such enlistment as he believes until they were discharged at Fort Constitution as herein before stated—that the time of his service will more fully appear by the muster and pay roll of the said Capt. John Hurlbut and he further saith that the this deponent is a pensioner under a Special Act of Congress and this affidavit is made in good faith to aid the widow of Jeremiah Bennett in her application for a pension. (Signed) James Sayre.

Sworn & subscribed befor me this 25 April 1839. H. Halsey First Judge Suff Co.