

## Pension Application for Ephraim Blowers

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State of Vermont

County of Bennington SS.

Bennington, May 5, A.D. 1832.

I Ephraim Blowers of Arlington, Vermont aged sixty seven years, do upon oath, testify and declare, that in the year 1780, I enlisted for the term of "During the war", and served in the regiment No. 2, under the command of Col. VanSchaick, of the New York Line; and that I continued in the service aforesaid until the close of the war, when I was regularly discharged from the 2d New York regiment, commanded by Col. VanSchaick.

I further declare, that I have never received a warrant for the Bounty Land promised to me on the part of the United States; nor have I ever assigned or transferred my claim in any manner whatsoever; therefore—

Know all men by these presents, that I, Ephraim Blowers aforesaid, do hereby constitute and appoint Wm. Haswell of Bennington, to be my true and lawful attorney, for me and in my name to demand and receive from the Secretary of War of the United States a warrant for the quantity of Land due to me as aforesaid; and my said attorney is hereby fully authorized and empowered to constitute and appoint one or more substitutes or attorneys under him for th especial purposes above expressed. (Signed) Ephraim Blowers.

Attest, Asahel S. Hyde, David Robinson Jr.

I Ephraim [Ephraim] Blowers of Arlington in the County of Bennington and State of Vermont, testify and say. That during the Revolutionary War in the month of April 1780 I enlisted into the United States army, for the term of three years, or during the war, which I do not recollect.

I enlisted at Albany in the State of New York into a company commanded by Capt. Johnson, Lieut Bagley, Ensign Haring. I passed muster at Albany, I then marched to Morristown in the State of New Jersey, and then joined the second regiment in the New York line, commanded by Coll Gansevort. I was afterwards transferred to Coll VanSchaick's Regiment same line. I served until the 8<sup>th</sup> day of June 1783 when I was honourably discharged, and received the badge of merit (I think) by Coll VanShoick at Fishkills in the state of New York.

I was at Westpoint when General Arnold attempted to give up that fortress. I was also at the surrender of Lord Cornwallis and during the whole time I endeavoured to serve my country faithfully. I further testify that I am now and always haven been a citizen of the United States, that I am in the fifty sixth year of my age, I have a wife and seven children, several of whom I have not to maintain. I have a poor log house, no land, and very little other property. I have not owned even a cow in six years. I further say that by reason of my reduced circumstances, I am in need of the assistance of my country for support. (Signed with his mark) Ephriam Blowers.