

### **Pension Application for Joseph Brown**

W.17340 (Widow: Elizabeth) Married February 2, 1788, town of Cambridge, County of Washington and State of New York by a Baptist preacher, William Wait. Joseph Brown died Town of Northampton, same county on June 29, 1846.

State of New York

Montgomery County SS.

In conformity with the provisions of the Act of Congress of the United States of American passed 18<sup>th</sup> March 1818 entitled and act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land and Naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War—the following declaration in writing is made under the Oath by Joseph Brown of the Town of Mayfield in the county of Montgomery in the said State of New York before the Hon. James Hildreth Esquire one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the County of Montgomery in the said state in which the said Joseph Brown doth reside that is to say I Joseph Brown aged fifty eight years in 13<sup>th</sup> April but of the town of Mayfield in the county of Montgomery in the State of New York on this 23d day of April 1818—do solemnly, sincerely and truly swear and declare that I served against the common enemy in the army in the War of the Revolution for three years, on the Continental establishment and that I am a resident citizen of the United States to wit in the town, county and state aforesaid and that by reason of my reduced circumstances in life, & I am in need of the assistance of my country for support. I do further swear and declare that I served in the said Revolutionary War in the capacity of an being a private soldier—that I belonged to the army to wit. I belonged to Captain John Graham and Andrew Finks Company, Colonel Goose VanSchaick's Regiment and New York Line. That I entered the said service the 11<sup>th</sup> day of March one thousand seven hundred and seventy seven and left it on or about the 11<sup>th</sup> day of March 1780—In the manner following to wit:

I left it by reason of being honorably discharged at the expiration of the term that I received one document concerning the same service and discharge which has been casually lost or destroyed. That I was in the Battle of Monmouth and some skirmishes at Fort Stanwix.

And that there is no other evidence in my power to my knowledge concerning the matters deposed by me except the testimony of Abel Scribner. (Signed) Joseph Brown

In witness of the truth of this declaration I have subscribed the same in the presence of the said Judge and have solemnly deposed to the truth thereof on the day therein before for that purpose specified.

Sworn before me this 23d day of April 1818 James Hildreth.