

Pension Application for Jacob Carhart

S.12437

Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

State of New York

County of Onondaga SS.

On this eleventh day of September 1832 personally appeared in open court before Daniel Moseley Esquire Vice Chancellor of the seventh circuit of the State of New York at a Court of Chancery now sitting at Onondaga in said County Jacob Carhart aged seventy two years a resident of Pompey in said County and State, 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 7, 1832; that he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

In the early part of the summer probably June 1778 this applicant there residing at Southeast Dutchess County State of New York he enlisted for three months under Captain Lee of Southeast and served the whole time of his enlistment at West Point doing garrison duty and repairing or building the fort, that Lord Stirling was commander at the Fort; that early in the next campaign 1779 he again enlisted and served three months, in Captain Lee's Company at West Point and Fort Constitution much of the time on fatigue carrying [?] and building the forts, that in one of these periods of service he assisted to build the Bomb Proof at West Point; at another time he was one of six to row General Washington from West Point to New Windsor.

In the spring of 1781 then residing at Northeast, he was classed in a class of six to raise one man for the army, that the class stood a draft & he was drafted and served nine months; that Martin Parks was head of the class of the class and your applicant a certificate that he marched to Fishkill where he was mustered about the first day of May and Captain Livingston in Colonel Wisenfiel's Regiment that he marched to Esopus, afterwards to Marbletown where was then head quarters being stationed on the frontiers far back from the large settlements serving under different captains, that two officers of the names of Dubois and one Lieutenant Finch were of the party; that on one of their excursions one soldier Michael Lines was wounded beyond Hurley & he was brought by this applicant and others seventeen miles to Marbletown on a blanket hung on poles; that he was discharged at the close of the nine months service at Marbletown and recollect he was at headquarters, there when he heard first of the Capture of Cornwallis that all his said service was as a private in the New York State troops as he understands and believes.

This applicant further states that he was out in several short periods of service, was at the burning of the stores at Danbury, was in the Battle on Long Island on Sunday and was on the march to join the army against Burgoyne when he received news of his surrender.

That he has no documentary evidence of his service and that he does not know of any of his comrades in arms who can testify to his service that one Husted formerly of Catskill if living could probably so testify. That he was born at Perth Amboy in New Jersey 8 November probably in the year 1760. That he was seventeen in the fall after the burning of the stores at Danbury which makes this applicant but seventy one years old and not quite seventy tow, but this applicant had understood his age to be greater, about seventy five, that he has no record of his age, that he resided in the state of New York at Southeast, Northeast & the vicinity when called into service; that at the commencement of the Revolutionary War he resided at New York, that when the British in 1776 took New York he went out first to Greens Farms, then to Southeast, that during the war he resided about a year and a half at Red Hook that up to 1815 he had resided most of the time at different places in Dutchess County, but had in the time lives about two years at Bethlehem in Albany County, that for the last seventeen years he has resided in Pompey in this county in which town he now lives; that as he recollects he had a discharge in writing from two of his periods of service which were burned up in the house of Widow Eldridge at Little

Nine Partners, that he has no documentary evidence of service, and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure, who can testify to his service. (Signed) Jacob Carhart.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. Daniel Moseley Circuit Judge & Vice Chancellor.