

Pension Application for Daniel Carman

S.10434

Marine Court of the City of New York

In the Marine Court of the City of New York held at the City Hall of the said City in and for said City before the Justices thereof this tenth day of February one thousand eight hundred and twenty seven. Present the Honorable Effingham Schieffelin and John B. Scott Justices of the said Court. City and County of New York SS.

Be it remembered that on this tenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty seven personally appeared in open court that is to say before the above named Effingham Schieffelin and John B. Scott Justices aforesaid of the Marine Court aforesaid in open court the same being a Court of Record for the said City according to the laws of the State of New York Daniel Carman a resident of inhabitant of said City of New York aged sixty nine years and upwards who being fist duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of Congress of the 18th day of March 1818 and the first of May 1820 and the other acts (if any) in such case made and provided, that is to say that he entered the service of the United States of America on the 9th day of September 1775 in Capt. Samuel Delavans Company in the minute service in the service of the United States of America Col. Samuel Drakes regiment served out his time and was discharged at Homs [or Hours] Hooke the last of March he enlisted in [the] Company with a man named Gilbert Weeks and was discharged the same day with him—

Then enlisted with said Weeks in a company commanded James Cronkhite in a Regiment commanded by Col. Thomas Thomas for nine months on the Continental establishment. Col. Thomas's Regiment was mustered on the North side of Kings Bridge and after the Muster deponent was passed over to Genl Washington's Army and was then commanded by him then remained under the command of Genl Washington on guard, or on fatigue at works [sic] on the forts until he marched his Army off to White Plains.

Deponent was in the battle of White Plains after which when Washington retreated deponent was marched up to Fishkill and on the first day of January 1777 his time was out, then returned to Col. Samuel Drakes Regiment and was detached sent to join different troops from Nine Partners & Fish-kill to keep guard against the British near Fort Independence on Valentine's Hill just above Kingsbridge in West Chester County—Deponent saith that the Stock-Bridge Indians had joined the army at Bronx River land while on the duty above mentioned they provoked the British to a sally when to protect them the troops then stationed about four hundred were ordered out and a smart skirmish took place in which deponent was engaged and numbers were killed on both sides—deponent continued there until the spring of 1777 and then returned back to Col. Samuel Drakes regiment. In this regiment he continued during the war—was one of the party who aided in the capture of Major Andre the British spy with Paulding, VanWart & Williams, there then were stationed on the road deponent and eight men in two companies on each side of the road within call—Deponent was in a number of skirmishes while in the regiment above mentioned being continually engaged in small parties with the British while reconnoitering and scouting—Deponent saith he was discharged at the end of the war at Yorke Town formerly Crum Pond upper part of Westchester County—His discharge is lost.

Deponent made an application shortly after the law was passed for the relief of Revolutionary Soldier[s] and his application was registered or rather suspended for the want of proof further proof being required.

Deponent since petitioned Congress to be placed on the pension list which with his application he sent by Henry Mays qr a member of Congress from this state.

And the deponent further saith that he believes these papers were left at Washington. And he further saith that he hath a wife named Mary aged Sixty six years of age and upwards very infirm and feeble & not able to take care of herself. Has seven children Tamor Lockwood aged forty six the wife of

Sellick [or Lillick] Lockwood a drunkard who takes no care of his family his daughter has five children and is very poor and unable to assist deponent is hardly able to assist herself—Abraham Carman forty four years of age cartman very poor and just makes out to support his family consisting of a wife and eight children. Fanny Moore aged thirty nine widow of William Moore late of the City of New York Blacksmith (a journeyman) poor and family of seven children to support Joseph Carman thirty years of age boatman family of four children and very poor. James Carman twenty nine years of age cartman has a wife he has been under the doctor's hand eighteen months poor and unable to maintain himself, Caroline aged twenty five she is a tailoress and poor takes care of her mother who is entirely unable to help herself. Deponent is bent with age & infirm and unable to work.

He relinquish all claim to any pension except the present & is on the pension roll of no state—he has stated the making an application for a pension above & he has not repeated it more than twice as he was discouraged. Deponent saith that he is in such indigent circumstances as to be unable to support himself without the aid of General Government except by public or private charity.

Deponent saith the only evidence he has of his services are the affidavits of Gilbert Weeks, William Sailor, Catharine Pennoyer, and Henry Depew & further saith not. (Signed) Daniel Carman
Sworn & declared to in open court this tenth day of February 1827. John G. Tardy, Clerk