

## Pension Application for Ezekiel Chapman

S.23157

State of New York

Onondaga County SS.

Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace of the Town of Camillus in said county Ezekiel Chapman of the Town of Camillus aforesaid & to me well known who being duly sworn deposed & saith that by reason of old age & the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the period mentioned below and in the following grades; for six months I served as a private soldier in the War of the Revolution in the service of the United States being my first six months term of service.

I then afterward served nine months as aforesaid being my second term of service as a private soldier. I then afterwards served two months as a private soldier as aforesaid being my third term of service. I then afterwards served one month as a private soldier as aforesaid being my fourth term of service. I then afterwards served six months as a private soldier being my fifth term of service.

This deponent afterward served at different periods on alarms but to what amount [?] this deponent cannot recollect--& for the said five terms of service being two years first above specified I claim a pension & during said service I was not employed in any civil pursuit.

This deponent has tried in vain to recollect the name of his Colonel during the first six months service & cannot recollect or give his name the names of the Captain Lieutenant & Ensign an all well recollected [sic] & stated in my declaration made before Daniel Mosely Esquire Vice Chancellor at a Court of Chancery held at Onondaga on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of September last.

This deponent thinks probably the names of the company commanded by Captain Beebe under whom this deponent served during the nine months service as set forth in this deponent declaration aforesaid were returned in the baggage department said Captain Roderick Beebe having taken his company after the blowing up of the Fort & the retreat of the American Army before General Burgoyne to the charge of the baggage by the desertion of the commandant of the army & having continued with the baggage from that time till discharged this deponent [?] his name was returned by Captain Beebe to the War Department; this deponent was a soldier in the New York State Troops at the time & had regularly enlisted for nine months service & performed it faithfully till discharged in the several ways as set forth in this deponents said declaration & further saith not. (Signed with his mark) Ezekiel Chapman

Subscribed & sworn before me this 5<sup>th</sup> day of July 1833. David B. Winton a Justice of the Peace.