

## Pension Application for Nathan Commins or Cummins

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Mass & New York

The State of Ohio

Cuyahoga County

In the Common Pleas. November Term 1832

On this fifth day of November AD 1832 before the Judges of the court of Common Pleas now sitting personally came in open court Nathan Cummins a resident of Euclid Township in said County of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio, aged seventy four years on the 16 October last, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of an 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 year 1776 he served six months at New York under Captain Oliver Root Lieuts Samuel Clark and Ebenezer Newell and Ensign Asa Cook Col. Smith of Pittsfield and Brigadier General Fellows.

He enlisted at Hancock Berkshire County, Massachusetts in June and was discharged in December. He was one of the last who left New York City when attacked by the British and was in the retreat to Harlaam. Then discharged at Croton Bridge was under General Putnam.

In the year 1777 he was in the northern army nine months out from march to December under Captain Francis and Col. Nixon, was at the battle of Saratoga, went with the army in its march to Ticonderoga, to Fort Ann and Stillwater.

In 1778 he was out under Captain Douglas two different times, and one six weeks and one twenty days, both times scouting through Castleton, Rupert, Pawlet &c, guarding against the Tories who had taken refuge in Lower Canada and who made frequent inroads into Vermont for the purpose of plunder and murder.

He joined at New Haven Connecticut four months under Capt. Samuel Clark, was at New Haven after it was pillaged by the British but recollects no other officers than the captain. He enlisted for this service.

He was out again under Captain Blakeslee for six weeks, most of the time in Skenesborough N.Y. He then lived in Hebron N.Y. The service was against the Tories and he was a volunteer. It was in the fall of the year, but he cannot recollect the exact year. It was near the close of the war. He was gain out under Capta. Blakeslee one month and under Lieut Tiffany two weeks in the same business.

The preceding services were rendered by regulations from the from the State of Massachusetts and New York. He has no documentary evidence and was always honorably discharged, he always enlisted or volunteered for the service.

The applicant was born in Pawling Dutchess [Dutchess] County N.Y. – when 15 years old he removed to Stephentown & next year to Hancock Massachusetts, which was his home till after the New Haven [excursion?]. After 14 years resided in Hebron NY he removed to Greenfield, Saratoga County. In two years now he removwed to Clinton County, To Champlain on river Chazy. After 11 years he removed to Whitby in Upper Canada. In two years since he removed to Hamburgh Erie County NY In 10 years more he removed back to Upper Canada where he resided 8 years in [?] Township, thence he came to Euclid July 1 1827 or 8.

Ananias Brooks of Salem Ashtabula Co. Ohio served at New York in the same regiment.

Shibnah Spink living in West N w York near Cataraugas Creek this side at a place called Walnut Creek also served with him at New York.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any state or the agency thereof. (Signed) Nathan Commins.

Sworn to in open court Nov. 5, 1832. Horace Perry, Clerk Com. Pleas