

Pension Application for Nathan Cutler

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Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.
State of New York
Seneca County SS

On this 14th day of September 1832 personally appeared before me, Levi Wheeler one of the Judges of the Court of common Pleas in and for the County of Seneca and State aforesaid, Nathan Cutler of Lodi, County and State Aforesaid aged seventy four years, 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 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers. Isaac Bloom Capt. For the term of one month and a half about the 10th or 12 October in the year of our Lord 1775 in the New York Militia and served in the capacity of teamster and was employed carting lumber from Fishkill Landing to the etown of Fishkill for building barracks for the Army and was dismissed about the 25th November following, and the next year about the 10th June a requisition was made of Three men in the company of Capt. Nilson in the Regiment of Col. Dubois for five months and was stationed at Ford [Fort] Montgomery at the expiration of the time was verbally discharged. It was the year before the fort was taken by the Brittish.

For the month following he married his present wife who was Betsey Traves, about nine miles north east of Poughkeepsie and the winter following he moved to Coeymans in Albany county and in the month of May then next he volunteered for three months in the company of a James Waldron Captain in the New York Militia to go to the North when Burgoyine was doming down. Coonrad Penyke was commanding officer and first marched to Saratoga. Fort Miller and to Fort Edward and remained about two months and then the Capt. and company returned.

And about the first of the next August he volunteered under the same Captain for two months as an Indian spy served in the vicinity of Basack and Schoharie the full time and was dismissed the next winter he moved back to Dutchess County within eight miles of his father in law and remained there until the spring of 1779 then the whole company of militia to which he belonged was ordered out under the command of Captain Samuel Smith to go down the river he did go to meet the British first to the Highlands Gallie Hill and to Peekskill and as near as he can recollect was gone about two months he was dismissed and returned to his home and spent a few days went to his father at Coeymans and immediately in the month of August he enlisted as he considers it to Capt. Hugh Macally for one year who promised him a Lieutenants commission and a station at Fishkill under col. Hay.

He received written authority from the Captain to act in the capacity of Lieutenants and was sworn in by a man by the name of Ruleback a Justice of the Peace in Albany, he was then ordered to remain in Albany recruiting men for what was called the batteau service and did enlist twenty seven man who was sworn by the same Justice and sent to the Col. at Fishkill he remained there until about the 15th

January he then had a difficulty with his Capt. And by consent was stationed on Scodock Island under the command of Captain Fisher he had charge of about thirty men on the Island remaining there until the breaking up of the ice in the spring he went to Albany and there took charge of about the boats with three men to each boat, went to boating on the river and received orders from Capt. Fisher and two or three times from Morgan Lewis went two trips to Fort Edward with clothing and provisions for the army continued in that capacity until some time in the early part of the season 1782 the precise time he cannot recollect.

He enlisted into the company of Captain Benjamin Duboise in the regiment of Col. Dubois a private and joined the company at West Point and was there made orderly corporal and after remaining there some time went to Stony Point and remained there a short time and then to Dobbs Ferry, was there a few days then up to Albany then to Schenectady and from there to Fort Hunter from there to Fort Plain and remained there until about the middle or last of October. The time for which said company had engaged has expired and the Indians were then at Schoharie burning &c.

A call was made for volunteers to remain at that place ten days, and this deponent did volunteer and in about six days did volunteer and in about six days after that time they had a battle with the Indians and British. Col. Brown was killed drove the Indians across the river and pursued them three days in the wilderness without provisions and then returned to Fort Plain, and in a few days was dismissed on the bank of the river and this deponent got home about the first of the winter.

And this deponent further says he was born at Peekskill in the year 1758 he has no record of his age. When first called into service he lived in what was called nine partners in the County of Dutchess, in the State of New York and that he has lived since the revolutionary war in the town of Coeymans Albany County in Onondaga, Ontario Lewiston, Monroe and now lives in the town of Lodi Seneca County and has for upwards of 13 years and this deponent further says that he served in the capacity and engagements particularly set forth above and that he never did receive a discharge in writing as he recollects.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present. And he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any state. And that no subscriber witness that he knows can be four to prove the above service. (Signed) Nathan Cutler.

Sworn to & subscribed the 14th day of September in the year 1832 before me Levi Wheeler aforesaid of Seneca County, Court of Common Pleas