

Pension Application for David Dean
Donated by Mark Hendrickson

State of New York

Ontario County ss. On this twenty seventh day of August 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Judges of the County Court now sitting David Dean a resident of the town of Hopewell County and State aforesaid aged sixty nine 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 7, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named Officers and served as herein stated.

1st At Goshen in the County of Orange and State of New York about the first March 1778 he enlisted for four months in Captain Sweeseys Company in Colonel Thurstons Regiment and first marched to Ramappo and there done duty until discharged.

2nd In September following enlisted for three months in Captain Coe's Company, Colonel Cantine's Regiment, was mustered at Goshen and marched to Peen Pack Dewitts Fort, and remained there to the end of the term, and was then discharged.

3rd About the middle of April 1779 enlisted for four months in Lieutenant Webbs Company Colonel Thurstons Regiment was marched to West Point and done duty there until the term of my enlistment expired and then returned home to Goshen.

4th At Goshen as aforesaid, he was after called out in the Militia, and was once sent to Hurley for Provisions for the army and was out sixteen days; and he verily believes that he has thus served more than three months. He always turned out when called upon, and never refused, and during this time done duty at the Prison, keeping guard when Claudius Smith was confined there and four other prisoners. Smith and two others were hung, two of them were pardoned. He was in Captain Sweeseys Company and Colonel Thurstons Regiment. John Reid of Canandaigua was in the service with him at Beaver Brook where Colonel Thurston was killed; this was in 1779. He verily believes that he was in actual service more than eighteen months, but from the infirmities of age, and the privations that he has borne, he is unable to state with precission many services done and performed by him. He only claims from the Country, compensation for fourteen months in all.

He was born in Little Britain in Orange County and State of New York on the 31st day of March 1763. Has no documentary evidence Has no record of his age, and knows no person now living who served with him except John Reid. He lived in Goshen until 1799, when he removed to Canandaigua, and has resided there ever since, all his services was in the Militia Has seen General Putnam at West Point, and did duty there. Has seen General Clinton at Fort Lee and Fort Montgomery, saw General Washington at Peramus. He knows John Reid and Adam Nichols of the town of Canandaigua

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 the agency of any State

Sworn & subscribed the day and
year aforesaid in open Court

David Dean

State of New York

Ontario County ss. Personally appeared before me the undersigned a justice of the Peace in and for said county, David Dean, who, being duly sworn deposeth and saith, that the reason he did not have a Clergyman to support his original application before the court of said county on the 27 day of August 1832, was, the society to which he belongs is without a settled minister, and knew of none that he could conveniently procure. He is required to answer the interrogatories prescribed by the War department. The 4 first of them he has answered in his original declaration, to the 5th interrogatory he now says, under the service stated under his first head, that Colonel Hawthorns Regiment was at Ramappo at the same time, but under the 2nd head there was no other Troops on duty besides the company to which he belonged, and under the 3rd head he now says that the company to which he belonged was stationed most of the time at the "Gap" near West Point, and he cannot state the names of any other Regiments then on that station, under the 4th head he says that his service was almost always on fatigue and guarding the Goal at Goshen. He is required to set forth his service in detail, under the first head he served four months, under the Second head, Three months, under the third head, four months, and under the 4th head not less than Three months and sixteen days, and in all not less than fourteen months and sixteen days, as a private for which he claims a pension

Sworn to and subscribed this Ninth day of January 1833 before me
Henry Chapin J. P.

David Dean