

Pension Application for Zebulon Deming

R.2868

State of New York

Ontario County SS.

On this twenty first day of February eighteen hundred & twenty six personally appeared in open court in the court of Common Pleas in and for the County of Ontario in said State being a court of record in and for said County, Zebulon Deming resident in the town of Howard in the County of Steuben in said State of New York who first being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the act of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 and of the 1st of May 1830, that he the said Zebulon Deming enlisted for the term of nine months on the 1st day of April 1776 in the State of New York in the company commanded by Capt. George Darrow in Col. VanDykes regiment in the line of the State of New York on the continental Establishment; that he continued to serve in said corps until after the expiration of the said nine months when he was discharged from the said service at Fort [Edward?] in the State of New York; that he was in the battle of Saratoga and that he has no evidence now in his power of his said services except a drum majors warrant granted him by the aforesaid Col. VanDyke, and that the said warrant herewith transmitted is the identical so granted him and under which he served in the capacity of drum major.

And in pursuance of the act of the 1st May 1820, I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of congress entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" passed on the 18th March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities contracts or debts due to me, nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereunto annexed and by me subscribed.

<p><u>Schedule</u> One feather bed \$7.00 One chest 1.00 One looking glass 87.1 3 old chairs 75 2 pewter plates 37.1 1 dish kettle 75 1 old pewter basin 25 1 old tea kettle 1 iron shovel 50 1 old sickle 37.1 <hr/> \$12.25</p>	<p><u>Schedule</u> One Hoe \$18.34 1 skillet 12.1 1 churn 50 1 dressing knife 25 1 auger 37.1 1 stone jug 12.4 1 half bushel 1 smoothing iron 25 1 Old trammel 1.00 <hr/> \$3.04 \$12.25 <hr/> \$15.29</p>
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(Signed) Zebulon Deming

That this declarant is by occupation a farmer but that his age and the infirmity of his body prevents him from gaining a livelihood, that he and his wife (Aged 66 years) live with and are dependent on their son for sustenance, his said wife being utterly unable to do any labor in consequence of a paralytic infirmity. And this petitioner would humbly represent that in the month of May eighteen hundred and eighteen he applied to the Secretary at War for a pension, on account of the services herein before expressed, but that such application was sustained by no proof saving the oath of this petitioner; and that the warrant which is now transmitted to the pension office was then lost, and that it was accidentally formed a few weeks since by this declarant—under these circumstances it is respectfully submitted whether his allowance should not commence from the month of May aforesaid. (Signed) Zebulon Deming

Sworn and declared in open court February 21, 1830 before me. M. Brooks
Ralph Lester, Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas of Ontario County.