

Pension Application for Joseph Dickerman

W.4205 (Widow: Mary (Babcock) Giddings, former widow) Married in 1809, Joseph died 1837.

District of New York

Washington County SS.

On the 18th day of August 1820 personally appeared in open court being a court of record for the said County (which proceed according to the course of the Common Law with a Jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount keeping a record of their proceedings which have the power of fine & imprisonment & having a seal) Joseph Dickerman aged sixty six years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the Acts of Congress of the 18th march 1818 & the 1st of May 1826.

That he the said Joseph Dickerman inlisted in the month of January 1776 at White Plains in Colonel Richmores Regiment & Capt Pawling's Company & in Genl McDouglas Brigade & that Colonel Vizenvelt [sic] took the command of Colonel Richmore's Regt—when he deserted to the enemy that he served one year under said Inlistment & Immediately Inlisted again in the said Regt for another year in January 1777 in Capt Downs Compy which he served in the same Regt of Colonel Vizenvelt that no space of tiem intervned betweenhis service under his first & second Inlistments & that he faithfully served the 2 years under his said Inilistments on the Continental establishment in the New York Line that he obtained Honorable discharge of which were lost by being taken by the enemy & he further declares that after his discharges as aforesaid he inlisted as one of the Guides of the Army & continued to act as such until the termination of the war was in the Battles at White Plains, Princeton & Trenton was a Guide to the Army at the Capture of Burgoine that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services except the affidavits hereunto annexed & in pursuance of the Act of Congress of the first of May 1820 I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 & 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 & Naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war passed on the 18th day of March 1818 & 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 that what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed & by me subscribed or my necessary clothing & bedding excepted Vizt 1 Stone Jug 1 Stone pot 1 Bottle 1 Decanter 1 Finger[?] 1 old bridle & halter Candle Sniffers 1 cow 6 sheep 1 pig 1 axe 1old scythe 2 rakes 2 pitch forks 1 old chest 1 pine table 1 pair andirons 1 shovel & tongs 1 iron candlestick 6 knives 5 forks 6 tablespoons 1 broken teapot 3 cups & saucers 5 pewter plates 6 earthen plates 1 sugar bowl 2 tin basons 3 earthen bowls 1 spinning wheel 1 looking glass 1 meat barrel 1 old tin pail 1 wood pail 1 old frying pan 1 tea kittle 1 milk pans 1 pudding pan 2 pots 1 broken kittle 1 pair [?] levers 1 reel 1 pair swifts 1 pair flat irons 1 pair sniffen 1 trammel & I do furthermore swear that I

have no trade but that of a Farmer & by reason of age & Indisposition am not able to labour all my time I have no other in family except my wife Mary Dickerman aged 57 years in very low health & altogether unable to support herself. (Signed) Joseph Dickerman

Sworn to & declared on the 18th day of August 1820 before me. Asa Fitch one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in said County

State of New York
Wyoming County SS.

On this 18th day of October AD 1853 personally appeared before the Surrogate Court of the County and State aforesaid Mary Giddings a resident of Warsaw in the said county of Wyoming aged 89 years who first being duly sworn according to law on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed on the 3d day of February 1853 granting pensions to widows of persons who Served during the Revolutionary War.

That she is the widow of Joseph Dickerman who was a Revolutionary Pensioner of the United States under the act of March 18, 1818 & resided in Easton Washington County, New York.

She further declares that she was married to the said Joseph Dickerman by Marmaduke Whipple a Justice of the Peace in the year 1809 at Easton aforesaid. That her husband the said Joseph Dickerman died at Easton in the year 1837.

That she was not married to him prior to the second of January A.D. 1800 at Easton aforesaid.

That her husband the said Joseph Dickerman died at Easton in the year 1837. That she was not married to him prior to the second of January A.D. 180 but at the time above stated.

She further declares that she is now a widow, that she has no record of the date of her marriage or of the date of her said husband and as her memory is poor on account of her advanced age she is unable to remember & state the precise date of those events except that they occurred in the years above stated according to her best recollection.

That her name previous to her marriage with said Dickerman was Mary Babcock.

That she has a letter of recommendation from the church of which she was a member in Washington County given to her when she thought of changing her relations with said church but which she never used & which is hereto annexed. (Signed with her mark) Mary Giddings

Attest David Botsford SS.

Subscribed and sworn in open court the day & year first above written. Witness my hand & official seal. JM Trall, Wyoming County Judge.