

Pension Application for Thomas Dickinson

S.18379

State of Vermont

Addison County SS.

On this 4th day of July 1832 personally appeared before the Judges of the County Court, in open Court, Thomas Dickinson of Weybridge in s'd County where he has resided seventeen years, and has been resident in the State of Vermont twenty seven years, aged seventy six years & upwards, who first being duly sworn, doth, on oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed the 7th June 1832.

That he the s'd Thomas Dickinson, enlisted in the Continental Service, State Troops at Sheffield, in the State of Massachusetts, in the month of May in the year 1775, in a company commanded by Capt. Bacon, in a Regiment commanded by Col. (afterwards General) Fellows, for the term of eight month, and continued to serve in said corps, at Roxbury & Dorchester near Boston, until the expiration of his s'd enlistment and was honorably discharged at Dorchester.

And again in June 1776 he enlisted at Sheffield in Mass'tt in Capt. Ezra Hickock's Company and Col. Brewer's Regiment for the term of six months and continued to serve in s'd Corps at Ticonderoga, Fort George & Mount Independence, until the expiration of the term of his s'd enlistment, and was discharged at Mount Independence in the month of December 1776.

And again in January 1777, he enlisted into said service, at Sheffield Aforesaid—under Capt. (afterwards Major) Goodrich, of Stockbridge, Mass'tt for the term of six months, and continued to serve in said corps, chiefly as a scouting & ranging party on the North River, at White Palins, Rye, HorseNeck, and Kingsbridge, until the expiration of s'd last term term [sic] of enlistment, and was discharged at HorseNeck and returned home to Sheffield aforesaid—and had a written discharge, which is lost.

And immediately after, in July 1777 he again enlisted into said service, and went as one of Genl Fellows, life guard, and joined the American Army at Fort Edward, and served in Genl Nixon's corps of Artillery, and continued to serve in said Corps, until after the capture of Genl. Burgoyne and his army. To this last enlistment no particular time was limited, that he left the service soon after the capture of Genl Burgoyne.

And again in the fore part of May 1778—he enlisted into said service, at Great Nine Partners in the State of New York, in Capt. Sutherland's company, & Col. Hopkin's Regiment for the term of nine months, and continued to serve in s'd corps, his time out, at Fishkill, and West Point, in the State of New York and was honorably discharged at West Point in the month of Feby 1779—does not recollect whether he had a written discharge or not.

That he performed a tour of militia, & State Troops service of three months, at New Haven in Connecticut at the time the Britthish came into said New Haven, which was in the year 1779 according to his best recollection.

That he relinquishes all claim to any pension except the present—that he is not on any roll of agency in any state, that he now is & always has been a citizen of the United States.

That he does not now know of any positive evidence in his power to obtain of the actual performance of said services. (Signed) Thomas Dickinson

Sworn and subscribed in open court the day and year aforesaid. E.D. Barber, Clerk

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County Court December 27, 1832.

I Thomas Dickinson, an applicant for pension, of Weybridge in the County & State aforesaid.

Do make this additional & explanatory Declaration.

The first term of my enlistment for 8 months under Capt. Bacon—as stated in my declaration, to which this is an addition.—I served as a musician.

The second term of service of 6 months in Capt. Hickok's Company & Col. Brewer's Regiment, as stated in my aforesaid declaration, I served as a corporal.

The third term of service of 6 months, under Capt. Goodrich, as a ranging party, as stated by my aforesaid declaration, I served as a sergeant.

The fourth term of service for a life guard on Genl Fellows, as stated by me in my aforesaid declaration, I acted in no other capacity than as a private, which said term of service was three months.

The fifth term of service of 9 months under Capt. Sutherland's company & Col. Hopkins Regt as stated by me in my aforesaid declaration I served as a sergeant.

The sixth term of service of 3 months, in the militia & state troops—at New Haven in the State of Connecticut, as stated by me in my aforesaid declaration, I served as a sergeant.

And I further say that the reason why I did not state in my said declaration the particular grades, or capacity in which I acted in those particular terms of service—was on account of my being informed that it would make no difference as to the amount of pension. (Signed) Thomas Dickinson

Sworn & subscribed this 27th day of December 1832. Saml Swift, Clerk