

## **Pension Application for Amos Dunbar**

S.22223

B.L.Wt.31,433-160-55

Pennsylvania

McKean County SS.

On this third day of October 1832, personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean County now in session Amos Dunbar aged sixty eight years, a resident in Keating Township County of McKean who having first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration u birder to obtain the benefits of the Act of Congress passed 7<sup>th</sup> day of June 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated—to wit.

In the year 1779 about the middle of September & volunteered or enlisted into the troops then called the New York Levies under Capt. Tuttle of Oxford Orange Co. N.Y. and lay at Fishkill on the East Side of the Hudson three months the time I enlisted for –Capt. Marvin took command of the company in Capt. Tuttle’s stead after about one half of the time had expired—he kept camp guard—at the end of three months I went home, being discharged—this was about the middle of December—

There was a considerable body of troops encamped at the same place during this time – the officers names I do not recollect—In the next year I think in August I volunteered again under Capt. Thomas McKinster and marched to West Point where I joined my regiment which I think was commanded by Col. Malcomb—[?] belonged to the Flying Camp and were all the time upon the march—we had a skirmish or [?] with a British Schooner at Dobb’s Ferry below Haverstraw—We cut her to pieces so they had to tow her off—During this three months we marched up the river to Albany, Schenectady & to the German [blot]—being constantly in motion—At the end of the three months, the relief nor coming on at the day—I continued three or four days longer in which time we followed the Indians, west into the woods—three days we subsisted on one [[?] of bread to six men—I was again discharged and returned home—I enlisted within a few days again in the six weeks service. Captains name not recollected—Lieut. Onderdonk—lay at Clarkstown and in the neighborhood – served six weeks and went home—

In 1781 I enlisted for nine months under Capt. Westfall, Col. Wynsenfelt I think, we were stationed at Minisink in Orange Co., N.Y. to guard against the Indians—we remained here the whole nine months except short intervals of a week or so at two or three times we were off on scouting parties—This 9 months tour expired the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 1782—

In the spring following I again enlisted for nine months under the same Capt. & Col. as I believe and remained at the same place & performed the same duty except one month of the time we went to guard a place called Shendaken in Ulster County N.Y. – We were dismissed again the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 1783—which completed my terms of service—making all together two years one and a half months—in the second term of

three months Col. Graham's & Col. Dubois' Regiment were with ours for a considerable part of the time.

In the tow ( months tours we were guarding the frontiers against the Indians and there were no other regiments lay near us—

I have the depositions of Abraham Ozmore and Amos Miller both of the town of Lansing Tomkins County N. York, which prove my services for the greater part of the time—there are other persons living in the same state who can prove the same but whose testimony was judged unnecessary, in as much as two witnesses have testified to the facts.

I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declare my name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

Questions by the Court.

1. Where and in what year were you born? A. I was born in Cornwall, Orange Co., N.Y. in the year 1764.
2. Have you any record of your age, and if so where is it? A. I have none.
3. Where were you living when called into the service—where have you lived since &c. A. I lived in Cornwall the same place in which I was born, when I entered the service—I removed from there to Wallkill in Ulster, now Orange Co., where I lived six or seven years—thence I removed to Chenango, Tioga, now Broom County—where I remained about a year and a half—thence I removed to [?] Cayuga Co., here I lived about 12 years and in the year 1812 I removed to [head?] Seneca Lake, town of Hector—in 1821 or 2, I removed from there to this place Keating township McKean Co., Pa. where I have lived since & now reside.
4. How were you called into service &c. A. I volunteered or enlisted was not a substitute.
5. State the names of officers &c. A. I cannot state anything further than is already set forth in the body of my declaration.
6. Did you ever receive a discharge &c. A. I never received a written discharge.
7. State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify to your character for veracity &c, &c. A. Hiram Mason, Clergyman, Nathaniel White & derrick Voorhes.

Sworn and Subscribed the day and year aforesaid. Rich Chadwick, Prothy

Letter in folder dated February 23, 1928, written in response to an inquiry.

I advise you from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim S.22223, it appears that Amos Dunbar was born in 1764 at Cornwall, Orange County, New York.

While residing at said Cornwall, he enlisted and served as a private with the New York Troops, as follows—

From September 1779, three months in Captains Tuttle's and Marvin's Company; from in August 1780, three months and a few days in captains Thomas

Kinstry's and Amos Miller's Companies, Colonel Malcolm's Regiment , and was in an engagement at Dobb's Ferry; a few days later, six weeks under Lieutenant Onderdonk; from April 20, 1781, nine months in same company and regiment.

He was allowed pension on his application executed October 3, 1832, while a resident of Keating Township, McKean County, Pennsylvania.

About 1837 he moved to Butler County, Pennsylvania, and early in 1855, he was still living there. He died August 4, 1855, leaving a son Jonathan.

There are no further data as to family.