

Pension Application for Joel Earl

S.22227

State of Vermont

Rutland County SS.

On this 3d day of Oct A.D. 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Judge of the Probate Court of Rutland and State of Vermont, aged 73 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 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 has herein stated.

In 1777 he lived in Leicester Massachusetts, and in the spring of that year according to the best of his recollection, though it may have been in the following year, he enlisted for six months & served in Capt Ralph Earl's Company, he thinks his Colonel's name was Keyes—he does not remember the names of his other officers—he marched to Providence, R. Island where he served out his time, and was discharged at Providence [???

In the following year, 1778, he enlisted for six months and was stationed at [?] Mass. To guard the British prisoners taken with Burgoyne—he does not remember the [?] time he enlisted but it was same time in the warm season—he served out is six months as aforesaid in Capt Tuckers Company, Lt Bellows, & was discharged at said [?]. His memory is very much impaired by age; and he cannot remember the Regiments with which he served nor the names of Continental officers—he does not remember having received any written discharge. If he did he has lost it—and he has no documentary evidence; & knows of no person whose testimony he can procure except that of his cousin John Earl.

He was born at Leicester about the 6th of July 1759—his age is recorded there. He lives in Leicester & [?] Claleston Mass. Until at least thirteen years ago, when he removed to Mountholly, Vermont where he now lives. He is known to Elder Packer & most of the people of Mount Holly.

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