

Pension Application for Morris Earl

W.849 (Widow: Elizabeth or Elisebeth) Morris died March 23, 1833.

Declaration. In order to obtain the benefit of the third section of the act of Congress of the 4th July 1836.

State of New Jersey

Bergen County SS

On this Twenty ninth day of September Eighteen Hundred and thirty Seven Personally appeared before the Subscriber one of the Judges of the Inferior Court of Common pleas in and for the County aforesaid Elizabeth Earl a Resident of the Township of Newberbadors in the County of Bergen and State of New Jersey aged Eighty one years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Provision made by the Act of Congress passed July 4, 1836.

That she is the widow of Morris Earl who was a Corporal in Capt Daniel Morenices Company and in Col. Courtland Rigiment [Regiment] in the war of the Revolution, and in the year 1776, and that the said Morris Earl was at Long Island when the Battle was fought, and retreated with the Army to White Plains then crossed the Hudson River at Kingsferry, land from thence to Hackensack Newark and Morristown in which service the said Morris Earl was enlisted for five month[s] as she has always been informed by her husband the said Morris Earl and which she verily believes.

One month under Capt Thomas Blanck Stationed at Closter performing guard duty. Cannot State the year nor month in which the Services were performed by the said Morris Earl.

One month under Capt. Elias Romine Stationed at the liberty pole and Newbridge, watching the movement of the Enemy who had possession of the lower part of the county who where [were] in the habit of plundering the inhabitants, the last named Services she believes her aid Husband Morris Earl served in the year 1778 and in which Service they had and [an] Engagement with the british [British] light Horse.

To the best of her memory, in the year of 1779 and 1780 Morris Earl her said Husband served Eighteen Month under Capt John Outwater Stationed at Hackensack performing the duty of a Soldier during the time, she knows they have had some skirmishes in last named services were the refugees and Tories which she cannot at this late date specify.

One month at the liberty pole believes it was in the spring of 1782 when her said Husband was Stationed as she was informed and at which place Col. Tunis Dey Rigiment [Regiment] did meet for the purpose of capturing fort Lee on the banks [of the] Hudson River, from which place they were marched to the said fort after a hard skirmish, they were forced to ;give way and failed in the attempt does not Recollect the Capt name.

All the said Morris Earl Services were Rendered in the County of Bergen and State Newjersey [New Jersey] Col Tunis Dey commanded the Rigiment during the said

Morris Earl Services when and where necessity required his presence, exceeding his five month service in Col Courtland Rigiment.

All the foregoing named Services she has narated [narrated], she had Rec'd from the mouth of her said Husband Morris Earl. She further saith she cannot with any degree of certainty say whether he was drafted a volunteer or enlisted.

From the great length of time which has elapsed and her old age some particulars must have escaped her memory. She has related all she can remember as connected with his services, and which are calculated to explain then, she ask however a Reasonable allowance for the frailty of human memory, whilst she has faithfully endeavoured to adhere conscientiously to the truth.

She further declares that she was married to the said Morris Earl on the second day of February Seventeen hundred and seventy seven.

That he husband the aforesaid Morris Earl died on the Twenty Second day of march eighteen hundred & thirty three; and that she has remained a widow ever since that period, as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed.

And that she has no documentary evidence in her possession.

And she further declares that she was married to the said morris Earl on the day before mentioned, by the Rev. William Jackson at a place called Bergen Town in the County of Bergen.

And that her name prior thereto was Elizabeth Terhun. (Signed) Elisebeth Earl

Sworn and Subscribed on the day and year above writen [written] before. Abm.
G. Doremus, Judge of Bergen Pleas