

**Pension Application for John Ellsworth**

W.16974 (Widow: Elizabeth) John died about 1818. Certificate of pension issued the 19<sup>th</sup> of February 1844 and sent to Hon. Jeremiah Russell, House of Representatives. Payable to Phebe Hine, John Ellsworth & Mary Ellsworth, Children of Elizabeth Ellsworth Dec'd.

State of New York

County of Ulster

On this seventh day of April one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight personally appeared before the undersigned one of the Judges of the court of common pleas of the county aforesaid Elizabeth Elsworth a resident of the Town of New Paltz in the county of Ulster & State of New York aged eighty six 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 provisions made by the act of Congress passed July fourth 1836 and the act explanatory of said act passed March the third eighteen hundred & thirty seven that she was married to John Elsworth who was a private soldier in the revolutionary war and this deponent further states that her husband was in the service of the United States a long time during the war and that he was in the regular service as long as three years he was engaged for about nine months with others of his regiment as a guard at the house of Governor George Clinton in the Town of Poughkeepsie in Dutchess County and that after he the tour of standing guard expired he went against the Indians but that deponent cannot state certainty but believes there was a lieutenant by the name of Cooppp but cannot state certain.

She further declares she was married to the said John Elsworth in the year one thousand seven hundred & eighty two by Abraham Abraham Denison esq. [Judge of the ?] New Paltz & the County of Ulster and States of New York, but she does not recollect the day but thinks it was the last of November and this deponent has resided there since and further she has no documentary evidence of her marriage and she further states that he husband John Elsworth died suddenly of the pleurisy about twenty two years ago while on a visit to the City of New York and that she has remained a widow ever since and is so at this time which fact will more fully appear by reference herewith annexed.

Sworn to and subscribed on the day & year above written (Signed with her mark) Elizabeth Elsworth.

Reuben H. Harris, Judge of Ulster County Court.