

## **Pension Application for Jonathan Elmendorph**

S.10621

Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed the 7<sup>th</sup> June 1832.

State of New York

Ulster County. SS.

On the thirteenth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for Ulster County being a court of Record for said County proceeding according to the course of Common Law—with a Jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount—Keeping a record of their proceedings having a clerk and seal of their own Jonathan Elmendorf a resident of the Town of Hurley in the County of Ulster aged eighty one 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 act of Congress passed the 7<sup>th</sup> June 1832.

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

That he was born in Hurley Ulster County in the Year 1751—

That he has a record of his age in his Bible.

That he has lived and still lives in the said town of Hurley, and has not lived anywhere else.

That in the Spring of the year 1776 he volunteered in the service of the State of New York in the company commanded by Capt Moses Catchens in Colonel Levi Pauling's Regiment for five months rendezvoused at Kingston went from there to New York City and was there until the British took New York and retreated to White Plains was there at the battle and went from there to Peekskill and from there to a place called Murder's Creek near New Winsor [Windsor?] on the West Side of the river and was there discharged about the first of August following after the full term of five months (received no written discharge).

And he further says that in the spring of the year 1777 he again volunteered in said service in the company commanded by Capt. Salisbury (of Light Horse) Lieutenant Newkirk for nine months and was principally [principally] stationed at Newburgh and New Winsor, and continued in that service the full term of nine months and was discharged sometime in the winter following (1778 received no written discharge).

And he further declares that sometime in the year 1778, he again volunteered as aforesaid as an express in the company under the command of Lieutenant Newkirk and was stationed along the line of the frontiers for the purpose of carry information and dispatches, but was most of the time at the house of one Wynkoop in the Town of Saugerties—and continued in said service the full term of three or four months and was then discharged (received no written discharge).

And he further declares that in the year 1779 or 1780, he again volunteered as aforesaid in the same Company of Light Horse under the command of Lieutenant

Newkirk and was a few days after Wawarsing was burnt. Sent an express to Colonel VanCortlandt and continued carrying information and dispatches for the Term of Three month and was then discharged –(received no written discharge).

And finally he also declares that he has [?] positively served the full term of Twenty months and even more—but yet he thinks it possible that through age and infirmity he may not be correct as to dates and some of the officers—Yet he believes it to be true.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a Pension or Annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state. (Signed) Jonathan Elmendorph

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open court. A. G. Hardenbergh, John Jansen, Ab'm A. Deyo