

Pension Application for Amos Finch

S.13022 Green Mt Boys
State of New York
County of Greene SS.

On this 5th day of February 1833 personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for said County new sitting Amos Finch a resident of the Town of Cairo, in the County of Greene and State of New York aged seventy seven years who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

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

That on or about the first day of January of the year 1776 at Nine Partners in the County of Dutchess in the State of New York he enlisted into the company commanded by Captain Stanton, in the regiment commanded by Colonel Warner of the period of seven months.

That Eli Benton was Lieutenant in said company and enlisted this applicant. That soon after the said enlistment he marched with said company to Albany and from thence to Fort George—from thence they marched to Ticonderoga and proceeded across Lake Champlain upon the ice to St. Johns in Canada.

That his company joined Colonel Warner's Regiment in Canada. That he continued in the service in Canada aforesaid the landing of General Burgoyne when they were obliged to retreat.

That in the retreat they made their first stop at the River Sorelle. That they soon after came to St. John & the Isle of [Moah?] where they soon took boats to Ticonderoga.

That he was discharged at Ticonderoga by Captain Stanton aforesaid on or about the first day of August of the same year. That Col. Warners' Regiment was raised mostly for five months and was dismissed in Canada but that many of Company Statnton's Company were raised for seven months and were not discharged until afterwards.

That when Col. Warner's Regiment retreated from Quebec in Canada on the Landing of Genl Burgoyne this applicant was sick with the small pox & suffered many hardships in the retreat.

That in November next ensuing this applicant enlisted again at nine partners aforesaid into the company commanded by Captain Hermance in the Regiment of Col. Graham for the period of one month. That he marched with his said company to Peekskill in said county & was regularly discharged on the first day of January of the year 1777—

That from the last mentioned service he returned home sick and remained sick for several months.

That in the spring of the year 1778 he volunteered at the Nine Partners aforesaid company commanded by Captain James Talmadge in the regiment

commanded by Colonel Southerland. That the said company was chiefly employed in arresting [arresting] and confining Tories in a large Log Goal erected near the Line of the State of New York and Connecticut.

That in this service he continued for a period not less than six months when he was regularly discharged.

That in the fall of the year 1779 he was to the best of his recollection drafted into a company commanded by Captain Waters into a regiment commanded either by Colonel Southerland or Co Colonel Hopkins. That he served in said company a period not less than two months when he was regularly discharged at Fishkill in the said county of Dutchess.

That in the fall of the year 1780 he volunteered into a company a period not less than two months when he was regularly discharged at Fishkill in the said County of Dutchess.

That in the fall of the year 1780 he volunteered into a company commanded by Captain Talmadge above mentioned in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Southerland for one month that he served out his time and was regularly discharged at Fishkill aforesaid.

He hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension but the present & declarant is not on the pension roll of any state, his name is not.

To the question propounded by the Court of the applicant answers.

That he was born in the year 1755 at Bedford in the County of Westchester in the state of New York.

That he has a record of his said [?] where he now resides.

That during the Revolutionary War he resided at the Nine Partners in the County of Dutchess. That he has resided in Cairo where he now lives about forty eight years.

That he ever served on his own account and never as a substitute. That he recollects of having received but one written discharge which was given him by Captain Stanton that he said discharge which was given him by Captain Stanton. That the said discharge was several years since destroyed.

That he recollects of there being several regiments in Canada at the Landing of Genl Burgoyne. He distinctly recollects that Genl [Woorcester?] being there and he thinks Genl Arnold was likewise present. He would mention the following persons who can testify to his character for veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the Revolution. Wessel Salisbury Esqr., John Pine & James Pierce.

That he has no documentary evidence of his service nor does he now know of any person who can testify to the same. (Signed) Amos Finch

Sworn & Subscribed in open court the day and year aforesaid. Wm. V.B. Heermance, Clerk.