

Pension Application for Pardon Fish

S.22769

State of Pennsylvania

Susquehanna County SS.

Personally appeared before me David Post Esquire a Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Susquehanna aforesaid, Pardon Fish, of the township of Springville in said County and an applicant for a pension, under the Act of Congress of the 7th June 1832, and being duly sworn according to law—in answer to the interrogatories prescribed in the regulations of the War Department under the act of Congress aforesaid, doth depose and say—

1st That he was born at Tiverton in the State of Rhode Island by the information from his ancestors [ancestors] year 1751—

2nd That he has no record of his age—but from the tradition of his relatives and the information of his parents, he verily believes that he was born in the year 1751 as aforesaid.

3^d That he was living at “Nine Partners” in the County of Dutchess and State of New York, when called into service in the years 1775- 1776 and 1777—That he removed to Saratoga in the year 1779 – where he resides for about twenty seven years and removed from Saratoga to Susquehanna County Pa (then Luzerne) where he now lives.

4th That in his first tours of service (under Capt. Tallmage—he was a volunteer, out of a class. At Poughkeepsie also a volunteer under Capt. Humphrey—and at Fishkill Flatts under the same Captain, he was drafted and in the year 1777—he was a volunteer out of a Class (the militia being at that time divided into classes).

5th That he well knew Generals Gates and Arnold, who commanded at the time he was with the army at Saratoga in 1777—For the names of other regular officers, and the general circumstances of his service, he refers to them as set forth in his declaration except the following which he did not then think to mention, to wit. That in the fall of the years 1781—after his removal from Dutchess County to Saratoga, at a place called Palmertown in the County of Saratoga aforesaid, he was called out as a private in a Company of Militia under the command of Capt. Hezekiah Dunham (he thinks) of Colonel Roger’s Regiment) remained at that place, in active service one month, during which time he assisted in building a sort of Block House—where a garrison or guard was kept, to protect the inhabitants from the attacks of the savages and tories.

6th That he never received a written discharge, but at the expiration of each term of service was discharged via [?] That it was not customary for the militia to receive written discharges at that time to his knowledge.

7th That in addition to the testimony of Revd Davis Dimock and Daniel Spencer who have testified to his character for truth and veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the Revolution, he states, the names of Myron Kasson, Myron Tuttle, Benjamin Earl, Thomas Cassady, Spencer Hickox, Albert Beardsley Esquire and Aaron

Blakeslee, persons to whom he is well known in his immediate neighborhood, and all of whom he verily believes would testify to the same. (Signed) Pardon Fish

Sworn and subscribed before me by the said Pardon Fish to me well known, and whose statement is entitled to full credit this twenty eighth day of May AD 1838.
David Post, J. Peace

Letter in folder dated March 14, 1940, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your letter relative to Pardon Fish, a soldier of the Revolutionary War.

The data contained herein were obtained from the papers on file in the Revolutionary War claim for pension, S.22769, based upon the military service in that war of Pardon Fish, the only soldier with that name that is found on said records of this office.

Pardon Fish was born in Tiverton, Rhode Island, in 1751. The day and month of his birth are not stated and no reference was made to his parents.

While a resident of Nine Partners, Dutchess County, New York, Pardon Fish enlisted about May 1, 1775. And served three months as private in Captain James Tallmudge's Company, Colonel Graham's New York regiment. He enlisted in September 1775, and served one week as private in Captain Henry Humphry's New York Company. He enlisted in the fall of 1776, and served six weeks as private in Captain Henry Humphry's Company, Colonel David Sutherland's New York Regiment. He enlisted in July 1777, served three months as private in Captain James Tallmudge's company, Colonel Graham's New York Regiment and was at the surrender of Burgoyne. In 1779 he moved to Saratoga, and while living there enlisted in the fall of 1781, and served one month as private in Captain Hezekiah Dunham's Company, Colonel Roger's New York Regiment.

About 1806, he moved from Saratoga to Luzerne, later called Susquehanna County, Pennsylvania.

He was allowed pension on his application executed September 10, 1832, at which time he was a resident of Springville Township, Susquehanna County, Pennsylvania.

There are no family data.