

Pension Application for Thomas Foster

R.4004

Declaration to be made by the Children of a Deceased Revolutioner, who was never Pensioned, must be made before a Court of Record.

State of Michigan

County of [Ingham?] SS.

On this twelfth day of April A.D. 1851, personally appeared before Mr. Linus Fowler a Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Dingham and State of Michigan now sitting at The Township of Amelius, Sarah Gifford aged seventy one years.

Who being first duly sworn; according to law, doth on her oath make the following declaration, in order to make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by act of Congress, approved 7th June 1832, and 4th of July 1836, and all such other acts as have from time been passed. That she is the child and only child known of the late Thomas Foster who entered the service of the United States at Saratoga in the State of New York under Captain Thomas Foster a Lieutenant and continued in the service, as deponent believes until about the close of the war of the revolution when he was honorably discharged.

That as deponent is informed her father was first marched from the place of enlistment to Fort Miller. That he was in the service under one (or if more, say how many different periods of enlistment) period of enlistment.

That during said service, he served under the following officers: General Washington and General Schuyler.

He was in the Battles of Bunker Hill, Stillwater, Fort Miller and in the battle when Burgoyne surrendered.

I further state, that my father the aforesaid Thomas Foster departed this life on the second day of July 1832, leaving a widow who is now dead [?] she was very feeble.

I hereby relinquish all claim to a pension or pension money, on account of my father's service except the present. Sara Gifford.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this twelfth day of April AD 1850. Linus H. Fowler.