

Pension Application for Jasper M. Gidley

W.17012 (Widow: Hannah) Married in October 1780; Jasper died October 10, 1812.

State of New York

County of Saratoga SS.

On this 25 day of December 1838 personally appeared before the Court of Common Pleas, of the County of Saratoga in the State of New York, Hannah Gidley, a resident of Northumberland in the County of Saratoga aforesaid, aged seventy two 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 provision made by the Act of Congress July 4th 1836.

That she is the Widow of Jasper M. Gidley who was a private, and that for a part of the time he performed duty in the quartermaster's department, at Albany, that he enlisted into the service of the United States as a private soldier, in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Stephens, for during the War and served to the end thereof, she does not know the place where he enlisted, nor the exact time when, but it was before the surrender of Burgoyne at Stillwater in 1767, he served at Albany, and at Fishkill Barracks, and at the close of the said war, he received an Honorable discharge for about seven years service in the War of the Revolution, which said discharge she thinks was dated at Albany, and was in his possession at the time of his death and was in her possession for three or four years after his decease & has since been destroyed, that she has now no vouchers to show the services of her said husband, nor does she know or believe there are any persons or person, now living who served with him or can testify to his services or any part thereof, except John Terhune of Northumberland in this County, she therefore relies on the Rolls of said Regiment for proof of the services of her said husband Jasper M. Gidley.

She further declares that she was married to the said Jasper M. Gidley, in the year seventeen hundred and eighty, she knows it was in the fall, and thinks it was in the month of October; and that her husband the aforesaid Jasper M. Gidley died in the year eighteen hundred and twelve the tenth day of October, and that she has remained a widow ever since that period, as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed. (Signed with her mark) Hannah Gidley

Sworn to and subscribed on the day and year within written in open court and that the above named Hannah Gidley is unable to write her name having never learned to write. A. Goodrich Clerk