

Pension Application for Benoni Grant

W.1855 (Widow: Catharine) Married August 30, 1795. Benoni died March 6, 1825.

B.L.Wt.820-200 Lieut Issued June 18, 1789.

State of Vermont

Franklin County SS.

Georgia District

On the 24 day of April 1818 before me the subscriber Judge of Probate in & for the District of Georgia personally appears Benoni Grant aged sixty years—resident in Highgate in the County & District afores'd in the State of Vermont who being by me first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by a late act of Congress entitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War that he the said Benoni Grant enlisted in Stillwater in the State of New York about the first day of January 1776 for the term of one year in a company commanded by Cap Job Wright in Col. VanSchaick regiment in the New York line on the continental establishment and continued to serve as sergeant in said corps in the service of the United States for the full period of one year and until discharged at a place called Albany in the State of New York that in the month of January 1777 he enlisted in Stillwater in the State of New York in a company commanded by Capt. McEwen in Col. Seth Warners regiment being one of the 13th additional battalion [?] by Congress and on Continental establishment for the period of during the war he continued to serve in said corps or in the service of the United States [?] 1779.

The exact time he does not recollect when he received a commission for the Congress as Ensign he was then transferred to Captain Gideon [?] company in same regiment and served in the capacity of ensign until the month of January or February 1781 he was promoted to Lieutenant and ordered with the remains of the 3 Regiment (the same having been principally cut up at Fort George & taken [?]) to head quarters at Newburgh, State of New York & in the month of March 1781 he was or he was as he believes dismissed from the service as a supernumery officers by Genl George Washington [?] commander in chief on the promise of half pay.

He was in the battle of Hubberton, Bennington, Fort George & a number of skirmishes that he is in reduced circumstances & stand in need of the assistance of the Country for support that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services. That he delivered his commission to Stephen Pettis of Albany in Feb. 1818 for the purpose of procuring land which he thinks is now in the war office. (Signed) Benony Grant

Sworn & subscribed & declared before me the day & year afs'd. Seth Wetmore,
Judge of Probate.