Pension Application for Daniel Hallock

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On this First—day of January in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty three personally appeared in open court, before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the County of Suffolk, now sitting, Daniel Hallock, a resident of the Town of Southold in the said County and State of New York aged seventy seven years, who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

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

____ Marvin Captain, to the best of his recollection John Brewster was Lieutenant, the other Lieutenant does not recollect; Samuel Taylor was orderly sergeant; the Major's name he thinks was Dubois or a name similar; James Clinton was Colonel or General, is not positive which—

That he entered the service near the first of the United States under month of April in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy seven.

That he continued to serve until the latter part of the month of December in the same year—when he was discharged with the company, by the Captain, verbally—none of the soldiers to his knowledge had a written discharge.

That at the time he entered the service he resided at a place called Grey Coat four or five miles west of Blooming Grove in the County of Orange in said State of New York—that he was drafted and was one of the Militia men in Fort Montgomery when ti was taken by the British.

That he served in Fort Clinton until he was ordered to leave with about forty others under a Capt Smith to re-inforce Fort Montgomery.

That said Forts were but a few rods distance from each other—Fort Clinton was first taken—That he did not leave fort Montgomery until his Captain gave out word "Men take care of yourselves"—That officers & men then left the Fort in different directions—Some few were taken prisoners—some crossed the Hudson River, among whom, he understood was Governor Clinton who had been with them in the Fort during the attack.

That he followed, with many others, his captain in to the Mountains and woods and escaped to a place called "Murders Creek", about eighteen miles from the Fort where they rested until the following morning.

That the day after the surrender of the forts about forty of the men paraded under Captain Smith, at a place near New Windsor on the Hudson River.

That after the forts were taken until his discharge places as one of a Guard along the North side of the Kaats Kill Mountains.

That he was discharged at a place called "<u>below the Mountains</u>", not far from where he was drafted. It was the Head Quarters of Col. Or Genl Clinton and where the Magazine was kept.

Since the Revolution he has resided near where he does at this time in the Town of Southold.

That he was born in the year seventeen hundred and fifty five in the Town of Southfield aforesaid. That he has not at this time any record of his birth. There was one in the family Bible but it is not at this time in his possession.

He is well acquainted with the Rev'd Abraham T. Luce and Ezra Youngs—who reside not far from him—Also with many other respectable Inhabitants of both the Town of Southold and Riverhead who would certify for his good character if deemed necessary.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension, or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the pension roll of the agency of any state. (Signed) Daniel Hallock

Sworn to and subscribed, the day and year aforesaid before me. Joseph [?] Huntting Clk