

Pension Application for Edward Halstead

S.2633

State of Ohio

Cuyahoga County SS.

On this 12th day of December 1832 personally appeared before Simon Fuller one of the [?] Judges in and for said County Edward Halsted aged eighty two 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.

In the year 1776 in the month of May he volunteered into the company of New York Militia commanded by Capt. John Aiker, Col. Hays Regiment in the Brigade commanded by Gen. James Clinton and served to about the first of December in the same year. He was then living at a place called [Kakaat?] in Ulster County.

The service consisted in guarding the Hudson River at Haverstraw & elsewhere where ever the British moved on the river with their shipping.

In the year 1779 as soon as the ice was out of the river he thinks in the month of May he was out again in the same company & Regiment & Brigade commanded by the same officers served the same as the year before and returned home again in December.

In the 3 following years to wit 1778-1779, 1780 & 1781 he performed the same services under the same officers commencing in the spring in April or May & returned home when the river closed up with ice he thinks generally about the first do December in each year.

In the year 1781 in the fall whilst a detachment in which he was lay at Tappan New Jersey we were attacked by some Militia forces which came through a part of New Jersey we were routed had a number killed & wounded he each time volunteered as did the company of Militia to which he belonged.

He never received a written discharge he performed something more than three years services as a soldier faithfully & was honorable [honorably] dismissed each time.

He was born at Kakaat in Ulster County & State of New York in the year 1750.

He has no record of his age, but has often seen a record kept by his father in the family Bible.

He is well known to William Smith, William Hutchinson, Isaac Schram & Obediah Smith living in his neighborhood.

And eh states that there is no Clergyman living in his neighbourhood to whom he is known.

In the year 1800 he removed to Seneca, County of Ontario State of New York. And in the year 1817 he [?] to Chagun Cuyahoga County & State of Ohio where he now resides. (Signed with his mark) Edward Halsted

Sworn to & Subscribed the day & year aforesaid December 12th 1832 before me.
Simon Fuller Associate Judge.