Pension Application for Jacob Halstead or Halsted

W.1177 (Widow: Charity) B.L.Wt.26645-160-55 The State of Ohio Trumbull County SS.

On this second day of October AD 1832 personally appeared in open court before the court of Common Pleas now sitting in and for the county aforesaid Jacob Halstead a resident of Johnston County of Trumbull and State of Ohio aged seventy four 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 passes June 7th 1832.

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

That he joined the army at Albany NY under the command of Colonel Gilbert Cooper, Major ____Case-that the company was commanded by Capt. Garret Acker—Lieutenant _____Rumsey in the year [blot 5] in the fall of the year, that he resided when he entered the service at Nahaac [?] (Near Hampshire) in the State of New York—that he went from Albany to Fort st. John—and served five months including abot two months when sick and unable to perform duty—when sick and unable to perform duty—when he returned home to Nahaac.

That he entered the service again as a volunteer in in [sic] the year 1776 and served at New York City on Long Island—Regiment was commanded by Colonel ____ Drake, Major name not recollected. Company was commanded by Capt. John (or House in Dutch) Blaffell—and Lieutenants _____Ramsey and VanCruze—that he served five months and was regularly discharged by Col. Drake at Haverstraw near Kings Ferry.

That he was engaged in the Battle of Long Island and also at white Planes—that General Putnam was in the daily practice of visiting us while I was on Long Island.

That he has no documentary evidence of his service having lost his discharge when moving to Ohio—That he knows of no person living in Ohio who can testify to his service but whether there are any persons near living in the State of New York he is unable to say.

That he was engaged in guarding the North river in the year 1777 about eighty months and had no particular station but was all most constantly traversing the river—that he was a part of the time commanded the river. That he was a part of the time commanded by Major Case and a part of the time by Capt. Garret Acken and (Isaac [Shenad?]) and also a part of the time by Colonel Hay—who gave him a discharge in the fall of 1777—which he has also lost.

That he entered the service of the United States again in the spring of 1778 but whether he enlisted or volunteered he is not able to say but believes he inlisted [enlisted] for three years—that in consequence of becoming a little deaf he was employed in driving a team from Kings Ferry in the State of New York to garret's ferry about 30 miles from Philadelphia Pa—That he continued in that business until the fall

of 1781—making three years—when he received a discharge from Colonel Hay, and Major Case which he has also lost.

That he was born at Nahaac NY in the year 1758.

That he has no record of his age except his Father's Bible and that has become so obliterated that it is impossible to read it.

That he served at [Nahoor?] when called into the service—after the Revolutionary War he moved to New Paltz in NY where he resided until about sixteen years since when he moved to Ohio where he now resides or stated.

That I am known in my present neighborhood by Col. Walter Johnston and Joseph Barstow Esq whom he believes will testify as to his character for veracity and who believe that he served a soldier of the revolution.

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 agency of any state. (Signed) Jacob Halstead.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year of aforesaid. George Parsons, Clk.

Letter in folder dated January 20, 1932, written in response to an inquiry.

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The data furnished herein are obtained from the papers on file in the Revolutionary War claim for pension, W.1177, based upon the military service of Jacob Halstead in that war.

Jacob Halstead (the name also appears as Halsted) was born in 1758, in "Nahaac", New York.

While residing at "Nahaac", New York, he volunteered and served as a private with the New York Troops as follows: from the fall of 1775, five months in Captain Garret Ackerson's Company, Colonel Gilbert Cooper's Regiment; from sometime in 1776, five months in Captain John Blauvelt's Company, Colonel Drake's Regiment and was in the battles of Long Island and white Plains; from sometime in 1777, seven or eight months in captain Garrett Ackerson's Company, Colonel Hay's Regiment: he enlisted in September, 1778, and served three years as a teamster under Colonel Hay.

After the Revolution, he moved to New Paltz, New York, where he resided until 1816, when he moved to the state of Ohio.

He was allowed pension on his application executed October 2, 1832, while residing in Johnston, Trumbull County, Ohio.

The soldier married, date not given, Anne Jersey. There are no particulars in regard to her. He married November 20, 1808, in the state of New York, Charity VanAken or VanAiken.

Soldier's widow, Charity, was allowed pension on her application executed May 9, 1853, at which time she was aged sixty-six years and resided in Johnston, Ohio.

In 1853, a daughter, Rebecca Ann Dickinson, is referred to, and in 1892, Isaac Halstead, son of the soldier and his wife, Charity, was living in Johnsonville, Trumbull County, Ohio. There are no further data as to family.

The Revolutionary War records of this office fail to show a claim for pension on file on account of the services of Samuel Fuller, as described by you.