

Pension Application for Josiah Hand

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State of New York

County of Suffolk SS.

On this [?] day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two personally appeared in the Court of Common Pleas in and for the said county of Suffolk, Josiah Hand, a resident of the town of Southampton in the said County of Suffolk and State of New York, aged seventy six years, who being 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 sated, namely Capt. Nathan Hale, Lieut. Benton, Ensign Halbert, Col. Webb and Col. Hall.

That he entered the service on the first day of January in the year 1776, and left the same on the last day of December in the said year 1776.

That he resided in the town of Southampton in the County of Suffolk and State of New York, when he entered the service. That he entered the service as a volunteer, that he marched from New York to White Plains, was in the battle at that place. And rom thence he marched into the Jerseys, from thence into Pensylvania [Pennsylvania] crossed the Delaware at East Town, recrossed the Delaware at Trenton, at which place assisted in the capture of one thousand Hessians, that he marched from White Plains into the Jerseys under Gen. Lee. That he knew Gen. Sullivan, Gen. Sterling, Gen. Putnam and Gen. Mac Dugal. That Capt Hale was captured as a spy he believes on York Island and hung as such by the enemy.

That he has no documentary evidence.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the the [sic] present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

That he has lived in the said Town of Southampton ever since the Revolutionary War.

That he has a record of his age, and according to such record he was born in the year 1756. (Signed) Josiah Hand.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid (viz 10 Augt, 1832) before me.
Joseph R. Hunting, clk