

Pension Application for David Hawkins

S.22815

State of New York

Yates County SS.

On this twenty eight day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the said County of Yates now sitting David Hawkins a resident of Starkey in the said county and seventy four years and upwards who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he was born in Dutchess County in the Sate of New York that some time the last or August or first of September seventeen hundred and seventy six being then a resident of Frederick (now Putman in the said County) he enlisted in the five months service in a company commanded by Comfort Ludenton or Lultenton in the Regiment of Col. Swartwout at a place called Kingsbridge.

That after his enlistment he obtained a furlough to go home a few days and that during his absence the battle of Whiteplains was fought—that on his return he continued to do duty at Whiteplains from there he marched to Peekskill and from Peekskill to Fort Constitution where he remained until the expiration of the said five month when he was dismissed.

That from this time to the year seventeen hundred and eighty—he continued to reside, when not on duty, in Frederick in Dutchess County aforesaid.

That during this period he was out at different times on alarms, always under our Captain Hezakah Mead. That he remembers being at Fishkill over two or three weeks, and at another time four or five and on one of the occasions when out at Peekskill, Major Andre was hung and he the said Hawkins was present under arms.

Some time in the year seventeen hundred and eighty thinks in the fall a draft was made on the militia for a body of three months men.

That a company was raised for this service in the said town of Frederick and that in this company he entered as a substitute for one Edward Nicholson and done duty in this [?] at a place called Morrison's store in the same County of Dutchess—and that at the expiration of this service he took from his commanding officers a certificate, which he delivered to Nicholson? At the furthest performance of his duty as a substitute – and that he knows of no person living by whom he can prove his services above detailed.

And he hereby relinquishes every claim Whatever to a pension except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. (Signed with his mark) David Hawkins

Sworn & subscribed the day & year first above written. T. J. Nevins, Deputy Clerk