

## **Pension Application for John Healy**

S.23691

State of New York

Montgomery County SS. [This pension is very difficult to read, not sure of a lot of it.]

On this 9<sup>th</sup> day of November 1833 personally appeared before me Abraham Morrell First Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of said County (being a Court of record) and of the degree of Counsellor [Counselor] at law in the Supreme Court of said State, John Healy a resident of Oppenheim county and state aforesaid, aged Seventy seven years on the thirteenth day of January last 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 7, 1832.

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

That deponent insited [enlisted] said service as aforesaid in the town of Sturbridge in the County of Worcester and State of Massachusetts on the 2[?]ed day of September 1776 and continued in said service at this time until the 5<sup>th</sup> day of December then went following being two months and fifteen days. That deponent was drafted in said service and joined the company to Sturbridge aforesaid ton said 20<sup>th</sup> day of September 1776. That Timothy Wendell was captain of said company, Benjamin Furman lieutenant and Samuel Keely Ensign.

That said Company belonged to a Regiment of which one Converse was Colonel. That deponent marched with said company from Sturbridge aforesaid to [?] six week and lay there with said company three weeks and from thence marched with said company to Terrytown in the State of New York and lay there rising of six weeks and was then honorably discharged on or about the 5<sup>th</sup> day of December 1776 went 140 miles from home.

That deponent caught no cattle during this service but did duty under said officers as aforesaid upon the march and at the several places as aforesaid guarding the country against the common enemy. When deponent into next said service as aforesaid he resided in the town of Dudley County of Worcester State of Massachusetts. Deponent served as a private in said company during the whole time of said services as aforesaid—deponent had no written discharge and deponent cannot state farther particulars in relation to said services at this time.

That deponent entered said service again on the first day of May 1777 and continued therein for eight months when he was honorably discharged on the first day of December 1777 at Albany in the State of New York.

That deponent resided in said town of Dudley when he entered the service at this time, that deponent with fifteen others passed muster at this time of service in the Town of Lancaster in said County of Worcester and from thence went with said fifteen persons to Springfield to receive orders from one Ely superintendent who ordered deponent and said company on to Peekskill to which place we replaced and joined a company commanded by Captain Coburn, Stephen Carter Lieutenant & Samuel [Potter?] Ensign and said company belonged to a Regiment of which one Alden was

Colonel and said Regiment belonged to a brigade of which General Nixon had the command.

That deponent marched with said company from Peekskill up the North River to Fort Edward and Fort Ann and from thence returned down the river to Saratoga and was there engaged in said service at the surrender of Birgoine [Burgoyne] in October 1777 after the surrender of Burgoine received orders to march Esopus and marched with the company accordingly a few miles below Albany when we received counter orders to return as far [?] as Albany when we lay on the hill until the day of my discharge is lost aforesaid.

Deponent entered said service this time as aforesaid under the following circumstances namely Congress had directed several regiments to be raised by enlistment once said regiments not being filled by enlistments, there lay in [??] of Massachusetts directed drafts or detachments from the militia to lineup in [?] regiments have quotas of men in pursuance of which deponent was detached and drafted and served as herein lastly before stated during this service deponent served in said company as a private and deponent received no written discharge, deponent cannot state further particulars about this last service as aforesaid then as aforesaid stated after this deponents discharge as lost aforesaid he recollect in the capacity of [????] to Captain Colum from [?] first day of December 1777 to the month of March.

Then next following when deponent was discharged from said last service at Albany at which place deponent entered upon said last service as aforesaid and deponent continued in the service last aforesaid under said Colum from said 1<sup>st</sup> December 1777 to March 1788 [must mean 1778] at Albany and whether this last service namely from 1<sup>st</sup> December 1777 to March 1788 [again, must mean 1778] under Capt. Colum as this service came within the act of 7<sup>th</sup> June 1832 deponent is unable to state and permits to the war department to determine.

Deponents further says that he entered the service of the United States again in the [?] day of June 1778 and was discharged the 20<sup>th</sup> July 1778 being one month in said service at this time. That he resided in said town of Dudley when he entered said last service and served in a company of which John Putnam was captain and one Balance Lieutenant this deponent was drafted into said service this time and acted during the whole month in the capacity of orderly sergeant but had no written warrant to his knowledge under said last service at the town of Sutton in the said county of Worcester and marched from there with the company to Providence where we lay three or four days only, then marched with the company to East Greenwich and was there stationed doing duty by guarding the country until he was discharged as last aforesaid at which last place he was honorably discharged on said 20 day of July 1778 as aforesaid. The discharge not written but verbal.

That deponent has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service except Jonathan Bacon who can testify as far as set forth in his affidavit hereto annexed.

This deponent was born in the town of Dudley County of Worcester and State of Massachusetts on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of January 1756 and deponent has a record of his age

in his family Bible and the following is a copy of said record namely "John Healy was born January 13<sup>th</sup> 1756" and said record is now in deponent's possession at his dwelling house in the said Town of Oppenheim & deponent was living when called into the service as aforesaid from time to time, in the town of Dudley County of Worcester & State of Massachusetts as aforesaid and since the revolutionary war deponent has continued to reside in the town of Dudley aforesaid until about 13 years ago since which time deponent has resided in Oppenheim County of Montgomery and State of New York aforesaid in which last place deponent now resides.

Deponent can make no further statement there is no more of the names of the Regular officers who were with the troops where he served nor more [?] the continental and militia regiments that he can recollect nor about the general circumstances of his service.

Deponent never received a written discharge from the service, deponent is known in his present neighborhood to Nathan Brown, Isaiah Brown, Jonathan Brown and who can testify to my character for veracity and their belief of my services as a soldier of the revolution.

This deponent 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.

This deponent says that there is no clergyman in his neighborhood or vicinity or within this deponents reach and who are acquainted with deponent, to testify to deponents veracity to deponents knowledge.

This deponent says he is blind and cannot see to write. (Signed with his mark)  
John Healy

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year first above written before me. Abm Morrell First Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Montgomery County [?] Court of record.