

Pension Application for Uriah Hill

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State of New York

Ulster County

On this fifteenth day of September in the year one thousand eight hundred and twenty nine, personally appeared in open court to wit, in the Court of Common Pleas of said County of Ulster in the State of New York, the said court being a court of Record having a Clerk and Seal and the Common Law powers of fine and imprisonment and keeping a record, of their proceedings with a jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount, Uriah Hill aged seventy one years, resident in the Town of Olive in the said County of Ulster, who, being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of Congress of the 18th March 1818, and the 1st May 1820, that he the said Uriah Hill enlisted for the term of nine months on the first day of April in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy seven, in the State of new York in the company commanded by Captain Lee in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Lewis Dubois in the line of the State of New York on the New York Continental establishment; that he continued to serve in the said corps until the first day of January in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy eight when he was discharged from the said service in the Town of Newburgh in the said State of New York.

That he enlisted in the said Company and served therein as a private until he was discharged.

That he was in the battle of Fort Montgomery, that he is in very reduced circumstances and feeble in health and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services.

And in pursuance of the act of the 1st May 1820 I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not, since that time, by gift, sale, or in any manner, disposed of my property or any part hereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States, in the Revolutionary war" passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me, any property, or securities, contracts, or debts due to me, nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed.

That my family consists of myself my wife Mabel (who is now fifty seven years of age and is consumptive and in a very feeble state of health and has been so for the last ten years) my youngest daughter Sarah aged twelve years and my youngest son Peter aged fourteen years.

That the reasons why I have not applied for my pension before are the following—that until lately I have been able to maintain myself and my family residing with me by my daily labour and by the products of the small farm I once had—that my farm has been sold by the Sheriff and I have been turned out of the possession of the same.

That I am feeling the decrepidation of old age so much as to be unable longer to comfortably to support myself and family without the charitable assistance of my neighbours—which necessity and the advice of my neighbours led me to make an effort for my pension and inquire into the rights I had thereto.

That on the 18th of March 1818 I was in possession of a farm containing about 47 acres of land worth about \$9.00, which I owned subject to a mortgage for about \$500 given by me to Michael Coons in the year 1815 for money advanced by him to me that in the year 1814 or 1815 I became indebted to Valentine Dunree in the sum of \$600 for money advanced by him for me, and to secure the payment thereof I give him a Bond and Warrant of Atty with power to enter up a Judgment against me for said \$600 and issue execution therefrom against my property.

That on the 18th March 1818 I was possessed of the following personal property, viz, 3 shoats worth \$3, 1 old slay [sleigh] worth 50 cts, 1 cutting box worth 24 cts, 1 Pitch fork worth 6 cts, 1 clock worth \$5, 1 calf worth \$2, 1 grind stone worth \$1.50 cts, one old mare worth \$5, 1 old wagon, 1 harness worth \$9, 2 Heifers worth \$8, 1 pari of Steers worth \$5, 2 cows worth \$20.50 cts, 1 Tierce and barrelworth \$2, 6 tea spoons worth 37 cts, 11 sheep worth \$14, 3 hogs worth \$3, 12 old chairs worth \$3, milk pot & tea pot worth 18 cts., 3 beds & bedding worth \$20, 1 wheel worth \$2, 1 other wheelworth \$1, 12 knives and forks worth 50 cts, 12 plates worth 25 cents, 2 board tables worth \$3, 3 iron pots worth \$2.50 cts, 1 tea kettle worth 50 cts.

That in the year 1824 the said William Dundee purchased of said Michael Coon the said mortgage he held against me, and entered up a judgment on the said Bond and Warrant of Attorney he held against me for \$600 and issued an execution thereupon and sold my farm(which I left possession of very soon after the law compelling me sop to do) and all my personal property except he following articles, (which are exempt from execution by the laws of this state) namely—1 cow worth \$10, sheep worth \$14, 3 hogs worth \$3, 12 old chairs worth \$3, 3 beds & bedding worth \$20, 1 wheel worth \$2, 1 other wheel worth \$1, 12 knives & forks worth 50 cts, 12 plates 25 cts, 2 board tables worth \$3, 6 tea spoons worth 37 ½ cents, milk pot & tea pot worth 18 cts, 3 iron pots worth \$2.50, 1 tea kettle worth 50 cts and wearing apparel barely sufficient for myself and family.

And that I have had no other property but that which I have stated except the earrings of my daily labor which was applied to the support of myself and family and that there has not nor was not any property owned possessed nor transferred by me since the 18th March 1818 to this date except what is heretofore in the foregoing declaration set forth—and that the value of all the property I now own or possess does not exceed the sum of \$60.30 ½ cts. (Signed) Uriah Hill.

Sworn in open court the 15th day of September 1829 before me. A.D. Soper
First Judge of said Court.