

### **Pension Application for Aurt Honson**

W.9481 (Widow: Marian nee Beder) Married 1789. Aurt was born in 1761, in Freehold, New Jersey, and died at Stillwater, June 24, 1854.

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Declaration, in order to obtain the act of Congress, passed June 7, 1832.

State of New York

Saratoga County, SS.

On this seventh day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two personally appeared in open court, before the court of Common Pleas of the county of Saratoga and State of New York, now sitting, Aurt Honson, a resident of the Town of Galway in the county of Saratoga, and State of New York, aged seventy one 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 passed June 7, 1832.

He was born in the year 1761 in Freehold New Jersey, is now seventy one years of age has no record of his age removed to Long Island at the age of fourteen at the age of 16 years he removed with his father to Fishkill in the County of Dutchess in the State of New York continued to reside there till after the Revolutionary War.

In the year one thousand eight hundred and five he remove[d] to Saratoga County where he has continued to reside ever since. That he now resides in the Town of Galway in the County and State last aforesaid.

That he resided in the Great Nine Partners in the County of Dutchess in the State of New York when called into service as a private substitute of one Allen for three months into the Company commanded by Captain Conkling of Militia rendezboused [rendezvoused] at Fishkill barracks in August 1779. That he continued doing duty in said company as a private for the said term of three months he marched in the time with the company to Verplanks Point so called was at the expiration of said time of three months discharged he has no discharge in writing. During this Campaign he does not recollect the names of any of the Field officers the company consisted of about 70 men.

That he resided in the Town of Fishkill in the said County of Dutchess when he again entered the service as a private of the United States into the company commanded by Captain McBride into the Regiment commanded by Col. Debois [Dubois] of which Elias VanBenscouden, Adjutant Hugh McConnel [sic]. He volunteered for three months the company Rendezboused at Fishkill where it was formed.

After it was formed it went with the Regiment to Stony Point so called by Batteau [Bateau] on the west side of the Hudson River Marched from thence to Dobbs Ferry so called continued there about two weeks then returned to Stony Point and took the Batteaux to Fishkill Landing they took Sloops to Albany in the State of New York there remained about one week to recruit then marched to the City of Schenectady in said State—from there to Fort Plain, thence the Regiment marched up the Mohawk River until the Regiment came into Contact [contact] with the British

and Indians when a skirmish ensued after a number of rounds the enemy retreated then the Americans pursued them two days and two, after which engagement, the American being unable to overtake the retreating enemy. The Regiment returned with 25 prisoners to Poughkeepsie and left them in jail there and thence to Fishkill and was there dismissed at the Expiration of the said term of three months. He has no discharge in writing. These services were performed between the 21<sup>st</sup> day of July 1780 and the 21<sup>st</sup> of October of the last mentioned.

That he resided the said Town of Fishkill when he again entered the service of the United States on a patrolling party as a private that he was under an officer who commanded the company and whose name he has forgotten that he continued doing duty as such private in the said Town of Fishkill for six months being out on patrol [patrol] two nights in each week during the said term the Company consisting of about 50 men continued this duty for the said term.

It was raised to scour the country from the Incursions of horse thieves and Cowboys. That at the expiration of the said six months he was dismissed he has no discharge in writing. These services were performed in the summer of 1781.

The next year in Harvest time 1781, this deponent was again called out on a scout which lasted eight days. That he went to Fishkill Mountains and continued there eight days for the purpose of firing upon the enemy if it should come up the River as was expected they would at the expiration of the said eight days he returned home having been regularly dismissed he does Recollect of the officers under whom he served it being on an alarm and a great deal of excitement the company was raised on the most sudden Immergency [emergency], he has no discharge in writing.

He is known to vernal Potter, Samuel Husted, Tunis Hansend, David Hansen, Seth W. Higgings, Isaac Garman of Clifton Park, who can certify as to his character for veracity and their belief of his services as 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, or (if any) only on that of the agency of the State of [blank]

(Signed) Aurt Honson.

Sworn to, and subscribed in open Court this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September 1832.  
Thomas Palmer, Clerk