

Pension Application for Benjamin Horton

R.5238 (Widow: Anna) Married June 1786. Benjamin died September 19, 1834.

Anna died April 14, 1843.

State of New York

County of Suffolk SS.

On this fifth day of October one thousand eight hundred and thirty two personally appeared before me David Warner one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the County of Suffolk, Benjamin Horton a resident of the Town of Southold in the said County of Suffolk aged seventy eight 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 provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

That he enlisted in the army of the United States at Southold in the said County of Suffolk in the month of June in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy six, for the term of six months in the company commanded by Captain Jonathan Bailey and Lieutenant David Horton in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Drake and Lieutenant Colonel Hallibut & Major Hatfield in General Scoll's Brigade in the line of the State of New York, and continued to serve in the said corps until the expiration of the said term of six months that he went from Southold to the City of New York and to West End of Long Island, was in the battle on the West end of Long Island on the 27th of August and retreated with the army under General Washington to New York a day or two afterwards from New York a day or two afterwards from New York he went to Kings Bridge from thence to Fort Washington and from Fort Washington crossed the Hudson River to Fort Lee from Fort Lee he marched to Fishkill in the State of New York – from there he went to Haverstraw on the West side of the Hudson River, where was regularly discharged at the expiration of his said term of six months but had no written discharge.

That at the time of his said enlistment he resided in the Town of Southold in the County of Suffolk and State of New York. That he now lives seventeen miles from the Court House in the County of Suffolk and by reason of the infirmities of old age he is unable to attend the sitting of the said Court of the said County.

That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any State. (Signed) Benjamin Horton

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid before me.—David Warner
Judge of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the said county.