Pension Application for Charles Humphrey

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Ontario County SS.

On this twenty seventh day of August, 1832, Personally appears in open court, before Judge of the Court of Common Pleas for said County now sitting Charles Humphrey a resident of Phelps in the county of Ontario and State of New York aged seventy years, who being 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 7th, 1832.

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

That he enlisted in the year 1778 and served a private under Captains William Tillford and Benjamin VanCuren in the Minute Service from the year 1778 with early part of this year until the close of the war in the Regiment commanded by Col. James McCloughry of New York Militis—

Resided at the time of his enlistment in the Town of New Windsor (then Ulster) County and State of New York.

During the year 1778 he served in Capt. William Tillford's company (besides on Scout and alarms which occupied a great proportion of his time) one month at Nipenaugh [Napanoch?] on a Branch of the Delaware River guarding against the Indians.

That soon after in the same year he again served one month at the place aforesaid in Capt. Benjamin VanCarters Company of New York Militia guarding against the Indians. That soon after the last mentioned service at Napanoch in the same year he again served one month under command of Lieut Evans Humphrey of Capt. Tillford's Company at [Hnuk?] on a Branch of the Delaware River guarding against the Indians.

That in the year 1779 he served (besides on Scouts and Alarms, which occupied a great part of his time) about twenty days at West Point in Capt. Tillford's Company under the command of Col. Malcomb—Turned out at this time on an alarm, the enemy, then being hourly expecting at that place, but landed below at Fort Montgomery, and came no further up the river at that time—

That during the same year he served three months at one time in Capt. William Tillford's Company under command of Col. Hathorn, at Fishkill—the enemy then lay he thinks at White Plains at the end of this campaign [campaign] he received a verbal discharge and returned home.

That after this, his services were altogether as a minute man, consuming a great portion of his time.

That during his whole service, he was never in any one regular frontier battle, but was frequently in great danger, and his [?] expectation of an engagement—

That he has no documentary evidence of service, but is acquainted with Oliver Humphrey who knew him while in the service and will certify to the service; and that he is also well acquainted with George Humphrey and [Joshua?] Vandermark who reside in his neighbourhood and who will certify to his character for veracity and their belief of his having served in the Revolution.

That he was born in the year 1762 in the Town of New Windsor County of Ulster and State of New York—in which town he resided after the war until about the year 1790, when he removed to Phelps, County of Ontario and State of New York where he has since resided.

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. (Signed) Charles Humphrey

Sworn to and subscribe d the day and year aforesaid in open court. Charles Crane, Clerk