

Pension Application for Enoch Jackson

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State of New York

County of Orange SS.

On this third day of September 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Judges of the Court of common Pleas now sitting Enoch Jackson a resident of the Town of Warwick County of Orange and State of New York 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 act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

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

In the fall of 1776 he was drafted to serve one month and was under the command of Cap. John Sayre Major John Poppins and Col. John Hathorn was marched first to New City lay there sometime and then to the English neighborhood while the British had possession of the New Bridge and soon after the battle of White Plains was on duty a month or little more.

His next expedition as near as he can recollect was to Stony Point on the Hudson River when there under the command of Major Poppins and while there was under the command of Gen. Putnam does not recollect precisely how long he was there.

Was soon after classed and had to be on third of the time on duty either at and about Ramapo or on the Indian Frontier along the Delaware which continued upwards of two years was under the different officers of Col. Hathorn's regiment and often under his immediate command went once on an expedition for Fort Montgomery and at New Windsor cannot recollect how long on duty was detached as one of a guard to escort Ammunition or baggage wagons to Easton under the Command of Col. Hathorn besides the above duties was called out on many general allarms [alarms] and gone various length of time and during the whole of the war served his proportion of time whenever called on as a militia man and he verily believes that the time spent in the service of his country during said war cannot be less than one year and he thinks more.

That he was born in the Town of Goshen on the fourth day of Augt 1754 as he has always been informed and believes he has no record [of] his age.

Has no written documents of his services and knows of no officer under whom he served that is now living. That he resides now in the Town of Warwick in the s'd County of Orange and has resided there ever since he was five years old.

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.

James Wood, Daniel Poppins, & Wm. Smith reside in his neighborhood who can testify to his character for veracity & their belief of his revolutionary services.

(Signed) Enoch Jackson

Sworn in open Court the day and year first above written before me. Asa
Dunnign Clerk

Florida Orange County NY Sept 26th 1833

Joseph Bowen Esqr.

Sir

I have called on Mr. Enoch Jackson with the papers herein returned. He says he cannot now undertake to particularise his services on the Allarm duties although he verily believes the three months stated is less than the service rendered.

As for the six days [?] after the battle of Minisink. He says he was called out with a view to drive the Indians from the frontier and if possible they intended to have gone to the Battle ground and have interred [interred] the slain but the party found there were so many Indians in the neighborhood they could not go so far and spent part of the time at VanAukins fort & scouring the neighborhood of the back settlements—(The bones lay unburied until a few years since, they were brot to Goshen and buried with the honours of War) On that occasion he was called out as a Militia Man as much with a view to protect the frontier as on any other and thinks that ought to be allowed.

Judge Elliott before whom the last affidavit was made was not personally acquainted with William Winfield one of the witnesses and therefore did not certify to his credibility but Jacksons and all the others are certified and Winfields is certified on the papers of Mr. Gilbert and several other in your office and under the circumstances we did not deem it necessary for us on this occasion to call on a Judge who did know Winfield as we would then have to get a new certificate of the County Clerk &c and Jackson is old and infirm and it is difficult for him to get out far from home. You will place add the six days to the 11 months & 11 days (if you find it consistent) and make out his certificate.

Mr. Daniel Gilbert has received his certificate for \$34.66 pr. Year. He requests me to beg that you would have the goodness to look over his specification again and see whether he cannot be allowed something more. He feels as fi he was not compensated according to the services rendered. He though he made out about 14 month[s] and is very confident that he rendered much more service than that although he could not particularize more.

If Indigence and a good character as a man can have any weight or is intitled to any consideration Mr. Gilberts case is one he is aged and infirm has an aged and infirm wife—has no children or near friends—had acquired by a long course of industry and economy a very pretty property and sustained in all respects the character of a usefull and highly reputable citizen but a few years since by a series of ill luck and the treachery of a false friend became penless [penniless] and has been sustained by the bounty of friends who knew him while in better circumstances for the last few years in the hope that when he obtained his pension it would be sufficient to support them—but the sum obtained ins insufficient. I mention all this dear sir with a view to induce you to take the trouble to review his specifications and if consistent

with the law and your duty to inlarge his allowance that you would be kind enough to do so. If you can find he can be allowed more you will please informed me by letter and his certificate can be returned and a new one forwarded.

I have not yet received any return in the case of Richard Clark—he is anxiously waiting for it. Respectfully yours Jno. Curtice.