

Pension Application for Bowers Jacox

S.13424

State of New York

Rockland County SS

On this twenty seventh day of November in the year AD 1832, personally appeared in open Court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas [Pleas] now sitting Bowers Jacox, a resident of the town of Clarkstown, in the County of Rockland and State of New York, aged eighty five 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 7, 11832.

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

That early in the year 1776 he assisted for more than one month a building Fort Put and Fort Montgomery, then in the month of October—of the same year, he enlisted for five months, in a Company commanded by Capt. William Balin, in a Regiment commanded by Col'n Nicholl, of Goshen, (at Warwick, in Orange County) and first went to West Point, then to New York, then to Long Island, and retreated from there with Gen. Washington's Army, then went to white Plains, and was in the Battle fought, there, and was discharged at Peekskill when his time of service was expired, and then went home to the town of Warwick, then early in the spring of the year 1777, he, at Warwick aforesaid, again enlisted in the aforesaid Company under the same Capt. and in the same regiment for five months, and continued under the same Capt. by enlistments of five, four and three months until the winter of 81 & 82.

That is, as soon as one term of enlistment had expired he immediately enlisted again, that they went to Coshedon after the Indians was near the American Army when Gen. Burgoin [Burgoyne] was taken, and belonged to the guard that guarded the prisoners as far as Easttown in the State of Pensilvany [Pennsylvania] and there delivered them to the Pensilvany line, was at the Battle when fort Montgomery was taken, was at Valley Forge, lay a long time at Minisink and was with the American Army at Yorktown when Cornwallis Army was taken prisoner shortly after which time he was discharged after arriving at Warwick aforesaid, that he has no Documentary evidence of any of his services as the discharge he received at Peekskill, at the expiration of his first term of enlistment, is lost, which was the only discharge in writing he ever received, and knows of but one man now living that he can prove any of his services by.

That during the Revolutionary War he resided in the town of Warwick aforesaid, and in the year 1785, removed from there to the town of Orange, in the county nor Rockland and resided there until about eight years back, since which time he has resided with his Daughter in the town of Clarkstown aforesaid, being a pauper of said town of Orange and by that town supported, that being long a resident of the now County of Rockland he is well known to many of the principal citizens thereof, who can testify as to his Reputation.

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) Bowers Jacox.

Sworn to and subscribed, the day and year aforesaid in open court. David Pye
Clerk