

Pension Application for Zebulon Jones

W.20195 (Widow: Mary) Married October 7, 1767. Zebulon died Nov 25, 1836.

State of Vermont

Addison County SS.

On the 24th day of June AD 1833, personally appeared before Silas H. Jenison one of the Judges of Addison County attest Zebulon Jones a resident of Cornwall in the County of Addison and State of Vermont aged eighty six 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 7th AD 1832.

That he entered he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as here in stated, to wit:

That during the Revolutionary war he lived at Little Hoosick in the State of New York and that in the spring of the year 1776, in the forepart of May according to the best of his recollection he was drafted as a soldier in a company of New York Militia commanded by Capt. Henry Jones in Col. VanSchaick's Regiment. It was past after corn planting that he marched from Little Hoosick aforesaid to Fort Edward in the State of New York and that he remained at Fort Edward aforesaid until the forepart of November 1776 according to the best of his recollection from the circumstances that it was not until after the corn harvest when he returned home to Little Hoosick and that in the spring of the year 1777 before planting time he is confident in the month of April he the said Zebulon Jones was again drafted as a soldier in to the militia of the State of New York, in the company commanded by Capt. Henry Jones in Col. VanSchaick Regiment and marched from Little Hoosick aforesaid to Fort Ann through Fort Edward and from thence to Fort George and while at Fort George it was ascertained that General Burgoyne was marching from Canada under the order by General Schuyler who commanded our army to march to Fort Edward and by him we were directed to set fire to the fields of Rye & Wheat, hay & grass to prevent the march of the enemy while we did, and that when our troops arrived in Fort Edward he the said Zebulon Jones in consequence of the situation of his family had leave to go home and that as soon as he arrived at his home at Little Hoosack aforesaid he was again ordered to march to Dutch Hoosack to prevent the march of Col Baum's detachment then marching to Bennington and that before he the said Zebulon Jones arrived at Dutch Hoosack Col. Baum's detachment had passed on towards Bennington and that he the said Zebulon Jones there remained with a Detachment of Militia at Dutch Hoosack until three or four weeks after the surrender of Burgoyne which surrender was in October 1777 and that from Dutch Hoosack he returned home to Little Hoosack, and that in the last campaign there was a skirmish between our troops and the British at Fort Ann but the s'd Zebulon Jones was not in the s'd skirmish but was marching on to the [Grorand?] and before he arrived at the place the skirmish was ended—and also that he well recollects that during the last campaign which was at Fort Edward a Miss M'Crea was killed by the Indians a few rods north of Fort Edward, that he well recollect of seeing Miss M'Crea a short time before at Fort Edward that General Schuyler was his commanding General that he the said Zebulon Jones was

born as he was informed and verily believes in the Town of [Summes?] in the County of Hartford and State of Connecticut on the 19th of March 1747 and which appeared by the record of his age in the family Bible of his father, that he moved from [Summer?] aforesaid to New Lebanon in the State of Vermont and from thence to Little Hoosack where he continued to reside until after the surrender of General Burgoyne and then marched to Dutch Hoosack and there lived about fourteen years and from thence he moved to Cornwall where he now resides having then lived forty two years past.

That he has no documentary evidence. That 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.

And he further testifies that from his advanced age and the loss of memory he cannot ascertain precisely the exact time of his service as aforesaid but that according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the service of twelve and a half months. (Signed Zebulon Jones.

Sworn and subscribed the day and yea aforesaid before me. Silas H. Jenison, Judge.