Pension Application for Joseph Kesler

S.42763

District and State of New York Montgomery County SS

On this thirteenth day of February 1822 personally appeared in open court being a Court of Record for the County of Montgomery State aforesaid, Joseph Kesler aged sixty nine years, who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of Congress of the 13th March 1818, and the 1st May 1820.

That he the said Joseph Kessler enlisted for the term of three years on or about the first day of May in the year 1776 in the State of New York in the company commanded by Captain Fink, in the Regiment commanded by Captain Fink, in the Regiment commanded by Colonel VanSchaick in the line of the State of New York, on the Continental establishment.

That he continued to serve in the said Corps until about the month of September in the year 1777, when he was discharged from the said service on the Mohawk River near Town of Palatine, now part of the County of Montgomery, State aforesaid.

That he fought at the Battle of Monmouth in the State of Jersey, and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services, except the affidavit of John E. Piere, which is hereunto annexed.

And in pursuance of the act of 1st May 1820, I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, and that I have not since that time, by Gift, sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it, as to bring myself within the provisions of the Act of Congress entitled, "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and Naval service of the United States, in the Revolutionary War, passed on the 18th day of March one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, and that I have not, nor has any person in trust for me, any property or sureties, contracts or debts due to me, nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed, to wit:

One Plough and Dray, old

Five Sheep

Fifteen Bushels Corn

Ten Bushels Potatoes

That he is by occupation a Labourer, that he has a wife named Margaret, aged sixty five years, nearly blind, and one son Joseph, eighteen years of age, who resides with ,and assists to support his aged parents. (Signed with his mark) Joseph Kessler

Sworn in open court 13 Feby 1822. Saml R. Dodge D: Clerk [Deputy Clerk]