

Pension Application for Wilder Kidder

S.42765

State of New Hampshire

Cheshire SS.

On this fourth day of June 1818; before me the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas, for said County, personally appears Wilder Kidder aged sixty five years, resident in Jeffrey in the said County, who being by me first duly sworn, according to law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the late 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:"

That he the said Kidder in the state of New York in the company commanded by Captain John Sanford of the first additional Regiment in the land services of the United States on the Continental Establishment commanded by Col. William Malcomb part of the time an[d] served as an artificer in the war of the revolution, that he continued to serve in the said corps, or in the service of the United States until the end of the war in 1783, when he was discharged from service in Newburgh state of New York, that he was in the battles of Bunkers Hill in 1775, of Long Island & Monmouth and that he is in reduced circumstances, and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support; and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services.

Sworn to and declared before me, the day and year aforesaid. Nahum Parker.

I Wilder Kidder of Jeffrey in the County of Cheshire and State of Newhampshire [New Hampshire] Testify and declare that I served in the war of the revolution on the Continental establishment that I first served the first eight months service in 1775 on the first day of January Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and seventy six.

I entered the service as a private in Captain Ebenezer Winshop's Company and Col. John Nixon's Regiment for the term of one year which term I served and on the first day of January anno Domini seventeen hundred and seventy seven was discharged.

And on the first day of April Anno Domini seventeen hundred and seventy seven I entered the said service as a Sargent in the first Company in the first Regiment in the line of the sixteen additional Regiments for the term of three years and served said term in said Com'y and Regiment and on the first day of April Anno Domini seventeen hundred and eighty I was discharged. I then entered as an artificer under Col. Bandin and served to the end of said war when I was discharged but since the said war my home was burned and I lost my discharges with my home and that from my reduced circumstances I need the assistance of my country for support. (Signed) Wilder Kidder.