

### **Pension Application for John McChesney**

W.19867 (Widow: Abigail) John died November 15, 1824.

State of New York

Oswego County SS.

On this eight day of June one thousand eight hundred and twenty personally appeared in open court being the Court of Common Pleas in and for the said County of Oswego and a Court of record possessing a jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount prescribed according to the course of the common law and keeping a record of its proceedings also having power to fine and imprison.

John McChesney aged fifty six years who being first sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the acts of Congress of the 18<sup>th</sup> of March 1818 and the first of May 1820 that he the said John McChesney enlisted for the term of three years on or about the 20<sup>th</sup> of August one thousand seven hundred and eighty one in the State of New York in the company commanded by Capt. Henry Teabot in the regiment commanded by Capt. Henry Teabot in the regiment commanded by Col. Goose VanSchaick New York Line Continental establishment that he continued to serve in the said corps until or about the middle of June one thousand seven hundred and eighty two when he was discharged from the said service in the State of New York at Newburgh—

That he was in no battle in the service.

That he has no other evidence in his power of his said services except Henry Wells and Stephen Robinson whose affidavits has been forwarded to the War Department—and in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820 also I solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> 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 Unites States in the Revolutionary War passed on; the 18<sup>th</sup> 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 securities 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 –

Res property—I have none.

Personal property is as follows. 2 swine, 6 chairs, 1 pair [?] dogs, 1 pair shovel & tongs, six tea cups & saucers, six knives and forks, six plates, two pails, one churn one wash tub, one dish kettle, one tea kettle, one spider, one puter [pewter] plate, one earthen milk pan, two tin pans, one axe, one hoe, one pair [?], one tailors goose, three geese, eight fowls. That he has ninety dollars due him, also forty dollars that will become due him next April—that he owes one hundred and fifty dollars. John McChesney

The declarant further says on oath that he is by occupation a tailor, that his ability to pursue his occupation is poor and past feeling. That his family residing with

him are his wife who is fifty four years of a age and unable to do but little labor. And Hanah McChesney aged twelve years until usual health.

And further this declarant says that he made application and declaration in April 1818. That his certificate and affidavits were returned to him for further proof—that in February last he forwarded them to the War Department with additional proof.

(Signed) John McChesney

Sworn to and delivered in open court this 18<sup>th</sup> day of June 1820 before me.  
James Bill Judge Oswego Com. Pleas.

1 pr fire dogs \$2.00  
1 pr fire shovels & tongs 4.00  
2 swine 4.00  
6 chairs 3.00  
6 tea cups & saucers .25  
6 knives & forks 1.25  
6 plates .75  
2 pails 1.00  
1 churn 1.00  
1 wash tub .75  
1 dish kettle 1.50  
1 tea kettle 1.25  
1 spider .75  
1 puter plate .13  
1 earthen milk pan .25  
1 tin pans .75  
1 axe 1.00  
1 hoe .75  
1 pr shears .50  
1 Tailors Goose 1.50  
3 geese 1.50  
8 fowls 1.00

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\$28.38

I certify the above to be a corrected valuation of the property in the annexed aft. J.  
Davis Clk Feby 10, 1821.