

Pension Application for Simeon Merrel or Merrill

S.9406

State of New York

County of Wayne SS.

On this 3d day of October in the year 1832 personally appeared in open court before Wm Sisson, Davie Arne Jun, Thomas Baldwin, David Eddy & Russel Whipple Judges of the Court of Common Pleas [Pleas] of said County sitting now Simeon Merrill a resident of the town of Butler in the County of Wayne and State of New York aged Seventy two who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision of the Act of Congress passed 7 June 1832.

That he was born in New Hartford State of Connecticut in the year 1760. That he has a record of his age in his family bible, which is now at his house in the town of Butler in the County of Wayne & State of New York and lived in the place of his birth when he first went into the service of the United States and remained there untill about 19 years of age when he removed to Whitestown Oneida County NY and remained there about 3 years from thence removed to his present place of residence and entred the United States service as a volunteer and served with some troops of whom Benedict Arnold was the Commander in the Continental Establishment on West Point, and the troops at that place in the year 1778 or 79 don't remember which nor has he such a recollection of the continental or other regiments as to be able to designate with certainty—never received a discharge from the service.

He refers to David Arne Junr. One of the Judges of Wayne County Courts, Roger Olmstead, Abijah Moore, Ezekiel Scott, Oris Hubbazrd neighbors of this applicant as persons who will testify to his character for veracity and the belief of his having been a soldier of the revolution.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. In the year 1778 or 79 does not recollect which he entered as a volunteer in the company of Captain Mace Mills as a privet [private] soldier that he enlisted for 9 months in the spring of 1778 or 79 and served his time out this was the only time which he listed went once on an alarm as volunteer and went under Captain Micah Seymour to Danbury Connecticut State got their when it was on fire was gone about a week he does not recollect any of the company officers under which he served the above term of 9 months except Captain Mace Mills does not recollect any of the field officers under whom he served except Colonel Seth Smith he lived in New Hartford Litchfield County and State of Connecticut when he entered the service as above enlisted as a volunteer was in no engagements marched from New Hartford to Harrington Litchfield Through KattsKill in New York down the River to West Point where he was stationed was soon taken sick and carried to the hospital does not recollect the number of the Regiment in which he served has no documentary evidence. He has one evidence who can testify that he knew when he entered the service and when he returned home viz Roger Olmstead.

I hereby relinquish 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.

Sworn to and Subscribed the day and year aforesaid. (Signed) Simeon Merrill

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed the seal of said office this third day of October eighteen hundred & thirty tow. John S. Cuyler, Clerk