

## **Pension Application for Benjamin Middleton**

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State of New York

City and County of Albany. To Wit.

In conformity with the provisions of the Act of the Congress of the United States of America, passed March 18<sup>th</sup>, 1818, entitled "An Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land and Naval Service of the United States in the Revolutionary War" the following DECLARATION, in writing is made under oath, by Benjamin Middleton of the City of Albany in the County of Albany in the State of New York before the Honorably Philip S. Parker Esquire, one of the Judges of the Mayors Court of the City of Albany in the said state, which Court is a Court of Record of the County and State, in which the said Benjamin Middleton doth reside, that is to say:

DECLARATION.

I Benjamin Middleton of the City of Albany in the County of Albany in the State of New York on this Sixth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen,—Do solemnly sincerely and truly swear and declare, that I have served against the common enemy in the Army, in the War of the Revolution, for the term of nine months during said War on the Continental Establishment and that I am a resident Citizen of the United States, to wit, in the City, County and State aforesaid; and that by reason of my reduced circumstances in life, I am in need of assistance from my country for support.

*I do further swear and declare*, that I served in the said Revolutionary War, in the capacity of, and being a private soldier, that I belonged to the Army, to wit, I belonged to Captain VanSantford's Company, Col. Levingston's Regiment and New York Line.

That I entered the said service about the tenth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy six—and left it about the fifteenth day of January in the year of our Lord, one thousand seven hundred and seventy seven in the manner following, to wit: I left it by reason of the expiration of my term of service that I received one document concerning the same service and discharge, which has been casually lost or destroyed, and that there is no other evidence in my power to my knowledge, concerning the matters deposed by me than Isaac Laraway, who has made a deposition accompanying this declaration—

*And I further declare*, that in pursuance of the requisitions of the aforesaid Act of Congress, I do hereby freely and absolutely, and to all intents and purposes, relinquish all claims to any Pension under any of the Laws of the United States, except the Pension contemplated to be allowed me under the Act of Congress aforesaid mentioned, and under which this Declaration is made.

IN WITNESS of the truth of this Declaration, I have subscribed the same in presence of the said Judge, and have solemnly deposed to the truth thereof, on the day herein before, for that purpose, specified. (Signed with his mark) Benjamin Middleton.

*Sworn before me this Sixth day of April 1818. Philip G. Parker Recorded and  
Judge of the Mayors Court of Albany.*