

Pension Application for John Pardee

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Declaration of John Pardee in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed
June 7th 1832.

State of New York

Niagara County SS.

On this fourth day of September 1832 personally appeared in open court, before the Judges of the court of General sessions of the County of Niagara and sitting John Pardee a resident of the town of Niagara, in the County of Niagara State of New York aged sixty eight years and upwards who being first duly sworn, according to law, does on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States, under the following named officers and served as herein stated that is to say in the month of October 1781, the militia [militia] of the county of Albany was called by the order of George Clinton the governor of the State of New York as he thinks—could not be positive, by whose order they were called out—the entered the service in the company and under the command of Captain John Davis? Of Colonel Whiting's regiment, he left service after serving fifteen days; at the line of entering the service as aforesaid he lived in the town of Armenia County of Albany and State of New York, he was ordered out with the militia as above stated, was in no battle, marched to Albany and from thence to New City (now Lansingburgh) thence to [Knisteneau?] from thence Schenectady from thence to Albany from thence to Canaan where he was dismissed, did not serve with any continental regiments or companies; the names of the company officers besides Captain Davis, were Lieutenant Rowley, Sergeant Lothrop and Sergeant Morse; the field officers besides Colonel Whiting, were Colonel Asa Waterman (commander) & Major Philip Fishbey.

That he next entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated, that is to say. On the tenth of June 1782 he enlisted into the company under the command of Captain Jonathan Peirce of the New York state Troops in Colonel Marinus Willett's regiment, remained in Captain Pierce's company but a short time and then entered the company of Captain Simeon Nicolls left the service on the 6th January 1784. Besides Captain Davis and [?] he was acquainted in the regiment with Captain Yoose Harrision, Canon Fonday, Wright, and Conner, Lieutenants, and [?] Bingham, Holton, Richardson, Lumper, Horton, Cole, Johnson, field officers Colonel Willett, Majors Elias VanBenschoten, and Fink, adjutant Plenny More, entered the service at Albany in the State of New York was in no battle. From Albany went to Fort Plain on the Mohawk River, from thence to Fort Paris, Herkimer from thence to Fort Plain again and from thence to Fort Herkimer [?] part of the time at these places. That once to Onondaga Lake and to Fort Stanwix, in Oneida County and from thence to Schenectady, where he was discharged did not serve with any Continental Regiment or Company except at Fort Herkimer, where he served with the company except at Fort Herkimer, where he served with two

companies of regular troops from New Hampshire, commanded by Major Hunt. The regulars captains were Captains McGrey, Gray, He knew an ensign by the name of Mason in the regular service at that place.

The whole term of service including the periods of service as above stated, was one year seven and a half months. He has no documentary evidence whatever in relation to his service. At both of the times of entering the service as above stated. He resided in the town of Canaan County of Albany and state of New York.

When discharged at Schenectady he received a written discharge from Captain Jonathan; Peirce. The Colonels and majors were both absent and he was the latest captain on the regiment. The discharge pasports to be registered in the book of Pliny Moore adjutant—he has since lost it. Was from the town of Sharon, County of Litchfield and state of Connecticut on the 20th day of February 1764. He supposes the time of his birth to be recorded in the Town Book of the Town of Sharon aforesaid according to the custom of the town. He has no other record of his age.

He hereby relinquishes 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. Since the revolution he has lived in the town of Canaan aforesaid (Now Columbia County) and State of New York in Benton Ontario County State of New York Perinton Monroe County State of New York and at his present place of residence in the order here mentioned. He is known to the following persons where he now resides and who can testify as to his character for truth and veracity and the belief as to his services as a soldier of the revolution. (Signed) John Pardee

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid before me in open court. Henry Cutler clerk of the Court of Genesee Sessions for the Court of Niagara County.