Pension Application for Abijah Pedrick

S.9453 State of New York County of Westchester SS.

On this [blot] day of September 1849 in open court before me Albert Lockwood Judge of the County Court of said County personally appear[ed] Abijah Pedrick aged eighty seven years the 18th day of last February who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the Provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he was a private soldier in the War of the Revolution and served under Capt. Ephraim Lockwood in the Militia in the County of Westchester and State aforesaid Declarant cannot recollect the whole amount of his service not with any degree of accuracy each period of his service but well recollects one term being done on the Lines and at West Point, Declarant further says that he belonged to a company of Minute Men commanded by Capt. Lockwood aforesaid and that he was frequently warned out and went at a minutes warning and performed short periods of service whenever he was called on for two or three years.

Declarent says that he was born in North Salem not more than one mile from the residence of Capt. Lockwood's where he now resides and has resided all his lifetime.

The declarent says the reason that he has not applied for his Pension is that he could not state the whole amount of his service nor the exact period of each term of his service. He further says at one time the thought he would apply for his pension but was prevented by sickness in his family and another reasons is that [he has had nor one call and ???] to assist him to obtain his pension and that he had no advantages to obtain an education and never learned to write and think it another reason why he has not applied for his pension.

Declarant further says that he has no knowledge either directly or in directly of any record experience of his service and knows of no proof to establish his claim. (Signed with his mark) Abijah Pedrick

Sworn to and subscribed this 15th day of September 1849 before me. Albert Lockwood, County Judge.