

**Pension Application for Joseph Perkins**

R.8115 (Widow: Patience) Married Patience Dennison February 16, 1792. Joseph died June 7, 1824.

State of Vermont

Town of Castleton

Rutland County SS.

Personally appeared before me a Judge of the Probate Court in and for the District of Fair Haven County and State as aforesaid Mrs. Patience Perkins who being first duly sworn according to Law doth declare and say that she was married to Joseph Perkins on the sixteenth day of February in the year AD seventeen hundred and ninety three in the Town of Lyme, New London County, & state of Connecticut by the Rev'd David Higgins and that her maiden name was Patience Dennison and that she was aged twenty two years at the time she was married to her said husband; deponent further declares that her said husband Joseph Perkins enlisted as a Private in a company commanded by Captain enlisted as a Private in a company commanded by Captain VanNess called the first Regiment of the New York Continental line; that he served in said company nine months commencing in the month of June and Seventeen hundred and seventy eight; that about six weeks after being discharged he re-enlisted as a private for the term of during the war of the Revolution in the month of March AD seventeen hundred and seventy nine and that he served in said capacity till the twenty third of December AD seventeen hundred and eighty two at which time and on said day he was promoted to a Serjeant and served in said capacity til the close of the Revolutionary War; that he enlisted in the Town of Lyme, County of New London, Connecticut at about the age of eighteen years.

Deponent further declares and says that she is aged eighty two years about & that her husband Joseph Perkins aforesaid departed this life on the seventh day of June AD eighteen hundred and twenty four aged sixty four years & that she has remained a widow since her said husbands (decease) and now is his widow. That she has never received or applied for a Pension previous to the date of this application.

She therefore makes this declaration in order to obtain the benefit made by the passage of an act of Congress and she hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and she declares that her name is not on the Pension roll of any agency in any state. (Signed) Patience Perkins

Sworn to and subscribed before me the tenth day of June AD eighteen hundred and fifty one. Abner Werner, Judge of Probate.