

## **Pension Application for Aaron Phillips or Philips**

S.43853

Original Claim

Declaration in order to be placed on the pension list under the Act of the 18<sup>th</sup> March 1818.

State of New York

Chenango County SS.

On the fifth day of July 1827 personally appeared in open Court, it being a Court of Record which has the power of fine and imprisonment, it being the Circuit Court for the Sixth Circuit District of the State of New York, held at the Court House in the County of Chenango, Aaron Phillips, resident in said County aged sixty nine years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the pension made by the Acts of Congress of the 18<sup>th</sup> March 1818 and the first of May 1820.

That he the said Aaron Phillips enlisted for the term of one year on the first day of January A.D. 1776 in the State of Massachusetts, in the Company commanded by Captain Moses Knapp, in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Joseph Reid in the line of the State of Massachusetts, on the Continental Establishment.

That he continued to serve in said Corps until the first day of January 1777 when he was discharged from the service in Peekskill in the State of New York.

That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present, that his name is not on the roll of any state except Massachusetts, and that the following are the reasons for not making earlier application for a pension. This application fi the continuation of one made several years since, and this is the first time that he could obtain the necessary proof. And he believes his papers are filed in the office of the Secretary of War at Washington and in pursuance of the Act of the 1<sup>st</sup> May 1820 I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner—disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the pensions of an Act of Congress entitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War., passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818. And that I have not, nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities, contracts or debts due to me, nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereunto annexed and by me subscribed.

A Schedule of my property on the 18<sup>th</sup> of March A.D. 1818.

One young Horse worth of \$35.00

On old saddle and bridle 5.00

And a very few clothes, not two suits.

The changes in my property since the 18<sup>th</sup> March 1818 are these. I sold the Horse to Oliver Jenks in September 1825 for eighty dollars in money which I received and bought a horse of Cyrus Wheeler in the month of February 1926 and paid him forty eight dollars in money for the same. I let out the horse in the month of April last

to go about forty miles to Obadiah G. Rundell. The horse was taken sick and died, and the man has now become Insolent that hired the horse.

My property Now consists of a few old clothes of wearing apparel and no bedding.

One Axe worth \$0.50

1 Hoe 0.50

1 Wood saw 1.00

I have no family to support, my occupation is that of a Farmer, but haven been unwell about one year past and not able to work but a little at best. (Signed) Aaron Phillips.

Subscriber and sworn to in open court before Samuel Nelson Esquire, Judge of the Sixth Circuit District in the State of N.Y. P Randall Clerk of the County of Chenango and Clerk of the Circuit Court.

Letter in folder dated February 3, 1934, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your letter in which you request the Revolutionary War records of Aaron, James and Sylvester Phillips, who received pensions.

Because of the great demand for Revolutionary War data and the limited Clerical force available for furnishing such information, it has not been possible to comply fully with each request which required such an amount of time and research. The records of Aaron and Sylvester Philips are given herein as found in the respective claims for pension based upon their service in the Revolutionary War.

Aaron Phillips  
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Aaron Phillips was born in April, 1752; the place of his birth and the names of his parents are not shown in the papers in the pension claim.

He enlisted, January 1, 1776, in the state of Massachusetts, and served one year in Captain Moses Knapp's Company, Colonel Joseph Read's Massachusetts Regiment.

He was allowed pension on his application executed July 5, 1827, while residing in Guilford, Chenango County, New York.

There is no reference to wife and children.

The names of two brothers, John and Noah Phillips appear.

Sylvester Philips  
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Sylvester Phillips was born June 12, 1756, in Ashfield, Massachusetts. The names of his parents are not show in in the papers in the pension claim.

While residing in said Ashfield, Sylvester Philips enlisted February 1, 1776, for one year, served as a private in Captain Israel Chapin's company, Colonel Elisha

Porter's Massachusetts Regiment; went on an expedition to Quebec, and on May 5, 1776, while the army was retreating from that place, was in a small skirmish; in November, 1776, he was taken sick and allowed to return home and was not able to rejoin his regiment; he enlisted about June 1, 1778, and served three month in Captain Benjamin Philip's (no relationship shown) Company, Colonel Elisha Porter's Massachusetts Regiment; he enlisted early in June, 1781, and served three months in captain Abel Dinsmor's Company, Colonel Elisha Porter's Massachusetts Regiment.

In 1795, he moved from Ashfield, Massachusetts, to Guilford, Chenango County, New York, where he was residing when he was allowed pension on his application executed October 9, 1832.

In 1836, he was residing in Tioga County, Pennsylvania, with his son, Richard. The names of soldier's wife is onto shown nor are the names of any other children designated.

In 1836, the name Charlton Phillips appears; no relationship to the soldier was shown and there are no further family data.