

Pension Application for Frederick Read or Reed

R.8655 (Widow: Lavinia) Married January 20, 1808, Rockingham town Windham Vermont. Frederick died April 1, 1835. Frederick received a pension of \$48 per year but his wife was not successful in her application for a widow's pension.

Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

State of Vermont

Windham County SS.

On this 25th day of July 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Probate Court for the District of Westminster in said State now sitting Frederick Reed a resident of Rockingham in the County of Windham and State of Vermont said Rockingham being in said Westminster District aged seventy seven years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832 that he entered the service of the United States in the Revolutionary War under the following named officers to wit.

He enlisted in Walpole NH in Capt Woods Company in Col. Easton or Eastman's Regiment of New Hampshire Troops for three months, he marched from Walpole NH to Tyconderoga NY thence to St. Johns, Lower Canada was there when St. Johns was besieged went to Fort George & was there discharged and had no written discharge, he served the full term of three months was under the command of Genls Montgomery & Schuyler, Capt. Flood, returned home and Capt [Cappin?] commanded the company to which he belonged in this campaign, he thinks he enlisted in July and was discharged in Oct 1776. He had no written discharge as above mentioned except from the Surgeon and that is lost does not know of any person by whom he can prove this service.

He also enlisted at Fredericksburgh N. York in Capt Clarks Company of Rangers for three months marched to Dutchess [Dutchess] and West Chester Counties N.York was stationed at Fishkill and continued to serve and did serve the term of three months and was then discharged, he was a corporal & acted as such about half of the time he served under Capt Clark, he cannot say when he enlisted or was discharged but it was in the summer of 1777 he was discharged at FishKill, knows of no person by whom he can prove this service he again enlisted under Capt. Merrick for three months and served under him three months except as near as he can remember about fourteen days before his time expired he obtained a discharge and left the service the discharge is dated March 10, 1777, he was a Sargeant and served as such during this time he was in this campaign, cannot tell the day he entered the service, he was Poughkeepsie and Fishkill during this campaign, he thinks he can obtain no evidence of this service except his discharge.

He also enlisted in Capt. Blakely's company for three months and joined Col. Malcom's Regiment of New York Troops and marched from Rockingham VT to Poughkeepsie N.York thence to Dobbs ferry New Jersey, there was ordered and marched to Fort Stanwix and was finally dismissed at Fort Hunter, he served in this campaign here months and was discharged but had no written discharge. He was a

sargeant & served as such the whole time he was out this campaign. Thinks it was in 1777 he done this service, he was born the 5th day of December 1754 at West Windsor Conn but has no record of his age when he first entered the service he lived in Walpole NH, he lived in Charles town at NH about a year after the war closed and now lives in Rockingham and has lived there nearly fifty years when he enlisted he always enlisted as a volunteer and not as a substitute. He was not drafted at any time he never had a written discharge except the one above mentioned.

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. (Signed) Frederick Read.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid before Peter R. Taft, Judge.