

### **Pension Application for Warren Roberts**

R.8865 (Widow: Debora)

State of New York

Washington County SS.

On this first day of September 1825 personally appeared in the Court of Common Pleas of the County of Washington held at the Court house in the town of Salem in said country being a court of Record proceeding according to the Course of the common law with jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount keeping a record of its proceeding and having a seal, in open court Warren Roberts, 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 provision made by the act of Congress of the 18<sup>th</sup> of March 1818 wand the 1<sup>st</sup> May 1820.

That he the said Warren Roberts enlisted of the term of three years or during the war about the 20<sup>th</sup> day of march 1777, at Ticonderoga in the State of New York in the company commanded by Captain Teabout in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Peter Gansevort in the line of the State of New York on the Continental establishment.

That he continued to serve in the said corps until the month of September 1780 when he was sent from Fort Stanwix to Schenectady in consequence of sickness and from thence to Albany when he as placed in the hospital under the charge [of] a doctor Young a surgeon in the army.

That he was then sick with the rheumatism, one of his thighs and one arm and side of his body being very much diminished in sic [sick?] in consequence of disease and the said Dr. Young advised him to return to New Canaan in said State and that he did accordingly return to his family who then resided in the said town of Canaan in company with Josiah Warren—and further that the said doctor young advised him not to return to the army until he should be fit for service—and he further saith that after he arrived at his place of residence in Canaan he was not able [to] dress or undress himself for a year and a half and was not able to walk without a crutch or staf [staff] until long after the close of the war.

That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present—

That he was not in any general battle but was in the siege at Fort Stanwix on the Mohawk River in 1777 and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services except than herewith presented.

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, land 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 provisions 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 of debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained In the schedule hereunto annexed and

by me subscribed. That since the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 the following changes have been made in my property.

I then held a lease on one hundred acres of land the greatest part of which was so rocky and mountainous that it could not be improved, there being an annual rent of seventeen dollars and fifty cents reserved there on.

And on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of May 1824 I assigned the same to John S. Carter for the sum of one hundred and seventy five dollars which was the full value thereof and I now hold notes (mentioned in the inventory hereto annexed) for one hundred and twenty five dollars for the same having expended the remaining fifty dollars for my support since the sale—and that no material changes have taken place in my personal property since that time, and that the reason why I have not made this application sooner was the want of evidence and the difficulty of procuring them.

That I did make a declaration before a Judge on the 11<sup>th</sup> of May 1818 which was rejected for want of evidence to prove the manner of my discharge from the army—and I do further swear that I am unable to perform any labor by reason a rupture in my groin. That I am by occupation a blacksmith—that my family consists of a wife and three children—my wife is about sixty six years of age and is unable to labour by reason of age and sickness—my daughter is about twenty five years old and in tolerable health—her name is Electra Stevens her husband left her—the other two children are my grandchildren. Anna aged five years and George aged seven months the son and daughter of my said daughter Electra all living with and supported by me with the assistance of their labour—and this deponent further saith that he is indebted to several persons in the sum of seventy dollars or upwards. (Signed) Warren Roberts

Subscribed and sworn to this 1<sup>st</sup> day of September 1825 in open court. M. D. Danvers Clk.

Schedule of the securities contracts debts and income of Warren Roberts, To Wit:

Cartboxes, chairs, chisels, old iron and	11.12
1 Bar Steel, 2 hammers, tongs, old Iron and tools	5.25
1 Cradle, one bellows & turning lathe	12.50
1 Grind Stone & Scythe, 2 old candle sticks, churn & Combea	1.48
1 Padlock, old andirons & pot, 1 foot wheel	1.12
1 old wheel, 1 reel, horse harness, shovel & Jointer	2.50
1 odl saw and square, Raker & forks, old hoe and ax	3.50
1 Shave & [?] 1 Beetle, gauge & wedge, 2 hammers	2.00
1 Rasp, Hetchell, Steelyards, gimblet, 2 pails & hollow ware	6.00
5 jugs, 1 pan, flat-irons, fire shovel, 4 old tubs	3.25
1 Brush hook, [?] a cutter, & crockery & tumblers	3.50
Pewter and tin dishes, Razor and Strap, knives & forks	2.62
Cards & tin ware, old boxes, 2 chests, milk pans & basins	2.26
1 Reg, Books, 1 tub, cullender, chair, ½ bushel wheat	4.12

1 note or due bill against John S. Carter	25.00
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There is due toe from Capt. Phinehas Beldin on book	6.25
Levi Fish 1.62 Stephen Fish 1.00	2.62
Saml Fish 2.12. J. Clark Jr. \$4.88	3.00
S. Bugbee 0.71, S. A Fish 4.00	4.71
A Stephenson 0.75, J. Carlton 1.00	1.75
Warren Roberts	204.56

Endorsed file Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> 1825.