

Pension Application for Joseph Seely

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At a County Court, held in and for the County of Fairfield in the District and State of Connecticut, on the 15th day of June 1820 the same being a Court of Record, and having a seal, by virtue of the laws of said State.

Personally appeared, in open Court, Joseph Seely a resident in the town of Weston in the County of Fairfield in said state, and exhibited and subscribed the following schedule, and made oath that the same is a true and perfect Schedule of all his income and property, (necessary clothing and bedding excepted) viz. 14 acres of land situated in said Weston, with the buildings thereon standing consisting of a house & old barn almost worn out & incumbered by three mortgages amounting to the amount of 385 dollars—one chest with draws—1 chest —4 chairs, 3 wheels-1 shovel & tongs-1 fridiron-1 warming pan-1 axe-1 pr taylor's shears-1 stand-3 glass bottles-1 tumber-1 ½ set tea dishes-8 earthen plates-5 earthen platters-5 small tin pans-1 tin pail-5 knives & forks-4 spoons-1 pint bowl-1 half buffet-1 frying pan - 1 hoe- 1 pail- 1 brass kettle-1 pot-1 dish kettle-3 books-2 swine-1 [bectle?] & one wedge-1 cross ax-2 tables-1 fat tub-1 pitchfork & rake-1 pr [?]- 1 sugar dish-1 tin tunnel-3 old cider barrels-2 small trammels-1 wooden bottle-1 stub scythe-2 jack knives & 1 grind stone. (Signed) Joseph Seely.

District and State of Connecticut, SS.

Be it remembered, that in the County Court, held in and for the County of Fairfield in the District and State aforesaid, on this 15th day of June 1820 the same being a Court of Record, and haivng [sic] a Seal, under the Authority of said State, personally came and appeared in open court Joseph Seeley aged 63 years, resident in the Town of Weston in the County of Fairfield in said State, and being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his Oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War, as follows:

I enlisted into Capt. Robert Walker's company in Col. Elmore's Regiment in May 1776 where if faithfully served until March 16th 1777 when I was honorably discharged. In March 1777, I again enlisted into Capt. Davis's company in the State of New York who was soon captured—I then was transferred to Capt. Jacob Wyners company where I served until the 1st of January 1778—when I was regularly & honorably discharged—I was in the following battles—two at said Fairfield & one at Norwalk in said County in the year 1779.

That the original declaration made by him, for the purpose of obtaining a Pension, under the Act of Congress of the 18th of March, 1818, was dated the 31st day of March 1818, that in pursuance thereof he was entered in the List of Pensioners, and received a Pension Certificate No. 10,093. And I do further solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the united States, on the 18th 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 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 18th 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 herein annexed, and by me subscribed. And I do further declare that my occupation is that of a tailor but in consequence of my eyesight being impaired, I have devoted myself principally to day laboring, & am part of the time unable to do any work by means of a broken ancle [sic]—and that I have a family residing with me viz, my wife Sarah aged 65 years, who is unable to do much work by means of her right hand being crippled & the fingers thereof contracted besides being obliged to support my grandson Eli Winton aged 6 years, and that I am justly indebted, (besides the mortgages & debts on my land) seventy one dollars all which is subscribed by me the day and year aforesaid. (Signed) Joseph Seeley.

Sworn to, and declared in the Court aforesaid. Whereupon said Court is, on satisfactory proof exhibited in Court, of opinion that the total amount in value of the property contained in the aforesaid schedule is one hundred & fifty four dollars and seventy one cents, and doth order these proceedings to be entered in the Records of said Court. Attest David Burr, Clerk