

### Pension Application for John Shutts

W.17042 (Widow: Hannah Halleck, former widow)

Sergeant

John Shutts was born December the 16, 1753

And married Hannah Bagley February the 23 1780

Hannah Bagley was born March the 24 1763

Peter Shutts was born June the 29 1783

John Shutts was born July the 11 1789

Betsey Shutts was born July the 9 1791

Eloner Shhutts was born August the 28 1793

Adam Shutts was born June the 10 1791

Louisa Shutts was born February the 24 1799

Josiah Shutts was born April the 1 1801

State of New York

Schoharie County SS.

On this 28<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1846, personally appeared before the court of Oyer and Terminer now holding and for the county of Schoharie aforesaid, Peter Shutts a resident of the town of Broome in said county, aged sixty three years, who being duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration, (for himself and others, herein after particularly named) in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of congress passed July 4<sup>th</sup> 1836, and the act explanatory of said act passed March 3<sup>d</sup>, 1837; that he and John Shutts, Andrew Shutts, Josiah Shutts, Elizabeth Baldwin, Eleanor Waterman, and Eliza Colegrove are the children and heirs at law of John Shutts deceased, and Hannah Shutts, his widow now deceased; that the said John Shutts was an enlisted soldier for three years, that he entered the service on the 3<sup>d</sup> day of January 1777, that he served in Capt. Hick's company in Col. Van Schaick's regiment as a Sergeant and continued in the service till the 4<sup>th</sup> of January 1780, when he was discharged, as appears from the annexed certificate. That he died the 23 day of May, 1801. That he left a widow, the above named Hannah Shutts, the mother of the persons above named as heirs of the said John Shutts; that the said Hannah Shutts married again in about eighteen months after the death of the said John Shutts, to one William Hallick, who died in September, 1822. That the said Hannah Shutts remained a widow from that time to the eleventh day of April, 1841, when she died leaving the above named children her heirs at law, who are all passed the age of twenty one years. That the said Hannah Shutts, whose maiden name was Bagley, married to the said John Shutts before the end of the Revolutionary, as appears from an affidavit hereto annex[ed]. (Signed) Peter Shutts.

Sworn to and subscribed in open court the day and year above written before me. Thos. McArthur, Clerk of Scho. Co.

State of New York

Columbia County SS.

Joel Blackman of the Town of Hillsdale County of Columbia and State of New York being duly sworn deposeseth and saith that he was born in said Town on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of January in the year 1764 and is now in the eighty third year of his age.

That he entered the service of the United States as a militia man in the month of August in the year 1780 by enlisting for the term of three months under Capt. Christopher Miller in the Regiment of which Colonel Graham was commandant and Henry Livingston the Lieutenant Colonel, and the company was mustered in said Town of Hillsdale. Deponent further saith that in August 1780 he went with Capt. Miller's Company to West Point on Hudson River where he became acquainted with John Shutts who belonged to said Regiment. Deponent further saith that he heard said Shutts say that he had come from

the north had been in the revolutionary service three years and had been regularly discharged. That he had been in the battle at Monmouth New Jersey and that he had been in several battles with the Indians at the north. Deponent further says that while at West Point he was transferred to Capt. Williams Company in said Regiment and that he and said Shutts went with said Regiment to Albany where they were separated and deponent was marched to Fort Edward. Deponent farther says that he this deponent and the said John Shutts both enlisted for the term of three months and served out their time of service and that said Shutts acted as Orderly Sergeant in said Miller's Company. Deponent farther says that after the Revolutionary War the said John Shutts resided in said Town of Hillsdale for a number of years and until his death. Deponent farther says that he was for a number of years a near neighbor to said Shutts and was well acquainted with said Shutts and his family. Deponent has frequently heard said Shutts say that he was born at a place then called Starchy in the Manor of Livingston in said County of Columbia. Deponent farther says that before the close of the Revolutionary War said John Shutts married Hannah Bagley whose parents lived in said Town of Hillsdale and were well known to this deponent. Deponent further says that he was well acquainted with said Hannah Bagley both before and after she married the said John shuts. Deponent further says that said John Shutts and Hannah his wife had seven children previous to his death, four sons and three daughters, the names of the sons were Peter, John, Adam and Josiah and the names of the daughters were Betsey, Eleanor and Louisa. Deponent further says that he was for many years a near neighbor to said John Shutts and well acquainted with him and has no doubt of the truth of the statements made to him as above mentioned by said John Shutts and further saith not. (Signed) Joel Blackman.

[The above was certified by Thos. H. Baker, Sup. Court Commiss'nr

State of New York  
County of Greene SS.

On this 20<sup>th</sup> day of may 1854 before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace in & for said County personally appeared James Slawson who is a resident of Greenville, County & State aforesaid and being duly sworn depose & say that he knew Hannah Halleck who was the widow of John Shutt, that the said Hannah died at the County of Greene state aforesaid on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of April 1841, that at the time of her death she left several children, seven who were children of John Shutt her first husband, she having had two children by her second husband Willaim Halleck. That the following are the only children the said Hannah & her husband's John Shutt & William Halleck surviving, all of whom are above the age of twenty one years, and where named & place of Residence are as follows, as I am credibly informed, Peter Shutt & Josiah Shutt reside in Gilboa Schoharie County & State aforesaid, Eleanor Waterman lives in Westford, Otsego County & State aforesaid. Louisa Colgrove lives in Hudson, County and State aforesaid. Elisabeth Baldwin resided in Broome, Schoharie County State aforesaid till her death which took place in 1849, but was alive at the death of her mother as I am credibly informed, Samuel Halleck's residence is unknown he has not been heard from in ten years, David Halleck also has not been heard from in two years, residence is unknown. John Shutt the first husband of the said Hannad died on or about the twenty third of May 1801 as I am credibly informed. And that the said Hannah the widow married again, one William Halleck on or about the 25<sup>th</sup> day of December 1803, as I have been credibly informed. I was personally acquainted with William Halleck prior to his marriage with Hannah Shutt, they lived together as man & wife without reproach and had two children, and that the said William Halleck died on or about the 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 1822 leaving the said Hannah again a widow & that she died not again marry but remained a widow til her death which too place in the county of Greene aforesaid on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of April 1841 leaving the above named children only her surviving & as aforesaid, that John Shutt the first husband of the said Hannah was reputed to have been a Revolutionary Soldier & that I have understood that some of the children have heretofore made application for the pension due their said mother at her death & that papers to that effect are on file at

the Pension office at Washington, and that I know John Shutt whose Declaration is hereto annexed to be one of the children above mentioned and further I have no interest in this claim. (Signed) James Slawson

Subscribed and sworn this twentieth day of May 1854 before me the above named James Slawson, who I know to be credible as a witness. And I further certify that he lived in the Town of Greenville, County & State aforesaid & further I have no interest whatever in this claim, Joseph P. Hallock, Justice of the Peace.

State of New York  
Secretary's Office

I certify that it appears by the Military Register in this office, that the following persons enlisted in the First New York Regiment in Capt. Hicks' Company for three years on the day set opposite to their names respectively to wit.

John Decker, Private 4<sup>th</sup> January 1777 discharged 4<sup>th</sup> January 1780.

John Shutts, Sergeant 3<sup>d</sup> January 1777 discharged 4<sup>th</sup> January 1780.

Jacob Van Deboe, Private, 3<sup>d</sup> January 1777 discharged 3<sup>d</sup> June 1780.

Arch'd Campbell, Sep. Sec. of State. Albany March 18, 1847.

Letter in file dated July 29, 1931.

You are advised that it appears from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim, W.17042 that John Shutts was the son of Adam Shutts and was born December 16, 1753 in Storcky (?), Livingston Manor, Columbia County, New York.

He enlisted January 3, 177 and served as first sergeant in Captain Hicks' Company, Colonel VanSchaick's New York Regiment, was in the battles of Fort Stanwix, battle when Burgoyne was captured and the battle of Monmouth, and was discharged January 4, 1780. After the termination of this service he served as orderly sergeant in the New York Militia, three months in 1780 in Captain Christopher Millers' Company, Colonel Graham's Regiment and in 1781 in Captain Shaver's Company.

He married February 23, 1780, Hannah Bagley or Bagby. She was born March 24, 1763, and was married at the house of her father (his name not stated) in Hillsdale, New York.

The soldier died May 23, 1801 in Hillsdale, New York.

His widow, Hannah, married December 25, 1803, William Halleck, who died September 15, 1822, in Westford, New York.

The widow, Hannah, die April 11, 1841 in Greenville, new York.

The children of John Shutts and his wife Hannah--

Peter born June 29, 1783, married Caziah or Kezia.

John born July 11, 1789.

Betsey or Elizabeth born July 9, 1791, married David Baldwin.

Elenor born August 23, 1793, married \_\_\_Waterman.

Adam born June 10, 1797.

Louisa born February 25, 1799, married \_\_\_Coloegrove.

Josiah born April 1, 1801.

The children of William Halleck and his wife Hannah—Samuel and David Halleck, their ages are not given.

The above noted children were allowed the pension due their mother, Hannah.

Peter Shutts' wife Caziah or Kezia was born in Hillsdale, New York, and in 1847 was aged sixty-three years. Their daughter, Hannah, the wife of William West, was a resident of Broome, New York in 1847 and was aged thirty-one years. Peter shuts died October 2, 1854.

John Shutts resided in Greenville, New York and died in Januaryb 1856.

Betsey or Elizabeth Baldwin died December 14, 1848 or in 1849. Her husband, David Baldwin, was born in Woodbury, Connecticut, and in 1847 was fifty-seven years of age. In 1854 he was living in Broome, New York. Their children are referred to, no names are given.