

Pension Application for Lucy (Perez) Steele

R.10096

Declaration In order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

State of New York

Green County SS.

On the second day of January 1833 personally appeared before me Munson Buel one of the Judges of the court of Common Pleas In and for the County of Green and State of New York Perez Steel resident of the Town of Windham In the County of Green of the County of Green and State of New York aged Seventy [Four?] years old who being first duly sworn, according to Law doth on her oath made the following declaration In order to obtain the Benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 says that he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as I herein after stated.

That he enlisted on the twenty fifth day of April in the year 1775 a volunteer soldier at the Town of Tolland in the County of Hartford State of Connecticut, Enlisted for Eight months In the Company Commanded by Captain Willes, Enos was Major of the regiment Spencer Commanded the brigade went from Tolland through the Country – untill we arrived at the Town of Roxbury and Cambridge near Boston and there continued to do duty In the said Company and regiment untill the twenty fifth day of December 1775.

When he was discharged at Roxbury [?] Boston returned Home and on the fifth day of January 1776 he says he again Elisted [sic] at the Town of Tolland aforesaid Enlisted for the Term of three months In the company commanded by Captain Wile's Enos was Major of the Regiment If I am not mistaken It might be that Collonel [Colonel] Chester Commanded the Regiment whoever it was Captain Wiles Company that I enlisted Into and Served In during the said three months that we returned back again from Tolland through the County to Roxbury and Cambridge near Boston and have continued to serve In the same Company untill the fifth day of April In the years 1776 that on that day I discharged at Roxbury near Boston and returned Home and he further says that in the South day of April in the Year 1776 he again Enlisted at Tolland aforesaid Enlisted for Eight months under Lieutenant Amayah Rush In the regiment Commanded by Colonel John Chester of the Town of [Waterville?] in the County of Stratford State of Connecticut from Tolland we marched through the Country untill we arrived at the City of New Haven and there took passage for New York on Board of a sloop commanded by Captain Jepps of New Haven and sailed and arrived at the City of New York and after arriving there we were marched up to a place called Valentine's Hill near Kingsbridge and were there sett [set] to work at Fort Independence from thence we were marched back to the City of New York crossed the East river was to Brookline on Long Island was there sent on a Scout under the Command of Colonel Wyllys near flatt bush had several skirmishes with the British Troops whose numbers of us were kill and taken prisoners retreated back again to the fort the enemy pursued and advanced near ships.

{??} a number of shots and retreated back from thence we crossed the river back again to the City of New York remained there a few days and then marched to a place called froggseck where we met the enemy and there stopped that day then returned to Kingsbridge the same night left Kingsbridge and marched to the White Plains where we had a severe battle with the British from thence we marched to North Castle where we [?] a few days from thence we marched to Peekskill Crossed the river near Haverstraw, and from thence marched down to Morristown State of New Jersey was with General Lee when he was taken near Morristown from thence we marched down the Delaware river about forty miles where we lay untill the twenty fifth day of December 1776 when we were discharged to be [?] in the service and under pay fourteen days to go home making about nine months and four day[s] as he believes and was Honorably discharged by General Sullivan with Honor and his thanks.

And he further says that he again enlisted at Tolland for the Term of three months enlisted in the fifteenth day of July 1777 In a Company of Light Horse commanded by Captain James Chamberlain & marched through the Country to the Town of Newport or Rhode Island where we remained until the fifteenth day of October 1777 and was then and there discharged by General Sullivan returned home wick and there remained sick for months. In one year and for some six months was Confined to his House.

And he further says that he considers this declaration as a part of the declaration which he made on the 4th day of August 183[?] the same is attached to this declaration and her further says that he has stated the names of his [?] discharge and served accordingly believes that the same will not very one day and further says that he served during till the tours one year and eleven months and says according to his best remembrance he thinks he is perfectly correct in every things here above stated. (Signed) Perez Steele.

Sworn and subscribed the second day of January 1833 before me, Munson Buel one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in the County of Green, State of New York.

William V. B. Heermance Clerk of the county of Green.