

## **Pension Application for Thomas Thompson**

S.14692

State of New York

Otsego County SS

Appeared before me James O Morse First Judge of Otsego County Thomas Thompson a resident of the town of Cherry Valley in said County who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath deposeseth & declares for the purpose of answering (according to the instructions of the war department) his declaration heretofore made by him in open court before the Court of Common Pleas of said County on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of June last past in support of his claim to a pension under the act of Congress of June 7, 1832. An Exemplification of which is hereto annexed as follows.

That sometime about the first of February in the year 1778 this deponent was ordered out to serve in the militia of Cherry Valley in a company commanded by Captain Thomas Whitaker & belonging to a regiment commanded by Col. Samuel Campbell & did turn out in obedience to such orders & serve as a private soldier in said company until sometime in the summer of that same year when the said Capt Whitaker moved away from Cherry valley & this deponent was then transfered [transferred] to a company commanded by Captain Ballard in Col. Audlen's [Alden's] regiment & served in said Ballard's company until the 11<sup>th</sup> November 1778 when Cherry Valley was burned & destroyed by the Indians, being 9 months & a little over from the time he was first ordered out in February as aforesaid. And this deponent declares that he served the said 9 months faithfully as a soldier in the militia as aforesaid.

This deponent further declares that in the month of February 1779 he enlisted into the continental service under Major Whiting & went to Albany where he remained in service six months engaged in transporting ammunition &c to Schenectady & to the Forts west of there, which said service this deponent believes was under civil contract— for which he does not claim a pension.

In the month of August or September 1779 this deponent voluntarily enlisted as a private soldier into a company commanded by Captain Van Eaver & belonging to a regiment under Col Samuel Clyde and went to Fort Ehle in the now county of Montgomery & helped build that Fort & kept garrison there till about the 1<sup>st</sup> October in that same year being about one month, when he took the place of one Vandnarcker who was drafted into a company under Capt Gray & marched to Fort Herkimer at Stone Arabia as said Vandenarkers substitute & remained 3 months & was discharged. He was then immediately drafted into the Continental service & returned to Fort Ehle where he remained till the close of the revolutionary war in Capt. Van Eaver's company in Col. Willett's regiment, being a little more than 3 years from the time of his said enlistment under Capt VanEaver till his discharge at the close of the war in 1783. And he further says that he served the whole time faithfully as a soldier as aforesaid. (Signed) Thomas Thompson

Sworn & subscribed this 8<sup>th</sup> day of November 1832 before me. J. O. Morse, First Judge of Otsego Co.