

Pension Application for Abijah Ward

W.18254 (Widow: Rachel) Married October 1782. Abijah died December 15, 1835.

State of New York

County of Steuben SS.

On this 18th day of October 1820 personally appeared in Open Court being a Court of Record for said County Abijah Ward aged Fifty Seven years resident in the Town [of] Painted Post in said County of Steuben who being first duly Sworn— according to Law doth on his Oath declare that he Served in the Revolutionary War as follows to wit that I served in Captain Hamptrammack’s Company in Colonel Philip Cortland’s Regiment being the Second New York Regiment that my said service lasted Four Years & Rising & ended at the Close of the Revolutionary War as by my Original Declaration under the Act of congress of the 18th of March 1818 entitled “An Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land and Naval Services of the United States in the Revolutionary War which declaration was made the 2d day of May 1818 will more fully and at Large appear that I have Obtained a pension certificate from the Office of the Secretary of War which is Numbered 13,207 which said Certificate was allowed me under said Act of Congress and I do 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 parth [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 the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in Trust for me any property or securities contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereunto Annexed and by me Subscribed.

Schedule

I have no Real Estate Whatever

Personal Estate one Pot, 2 Iron Talbe Spoons, 2 Knives & Forks. I am indebted in this County about 30n or 40 Dollars I have no family I live with one of my sons I am in Good health for a Person of my age. I support myself by working by the day for any person who will employ me. My advanced age, renders me unable to endure much Hardship or Fatigue.

(Signed) Abijah Ward

Sworn to and declared on this 18th day of October 1820 before me. Wm. H. Bull, Dep Clk of Steuben Com. Pleas.