

## **Pension Application for Zadock Ward**

S.33224

District of Massachusetts

Berkshire County SS

On this 28<sup>th</sup> day of June 1821 Personally appeared in open Court in the Circuit Court of Common Pleas for s'd County, (being court of record proceeding according to the course of the Common law, with a jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount, keeping a record of their proceedings & having the power of fine & imprisonment) Zadock War aged sixty years and a resident in the town of Egremont in the said County of Berkshire, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of Congress of the 18<sup>th</sup> march 1818, and the 1<sup>st</sup> May 1820, that he the said Zadock Ward enlisted for the term of during the war in June or July in the year of our Lord 1778 in Johnstown in the State of New York in the Company commanded by Captain Fowler in the regiment commanded by Colonel Weissenfelt in the line of the State of New York in the Continental establishment, that he continued to serve in the said Corps until the close of the war in June 1783, when he was discharged from the s'd service in Newbergh in the State of New York, & at the time of his discharge he belonged to Colo Philip Van Cortlandts Regiment in Capt. Hamtramck's Company.

That he was in the Battle in which Gen Burgoyne of the British Army was taken prisoner by the American forces & also in the Battle in which Genl Earl Cornwallis surrendered to the American troops & that he has no evidence now in his power of his s'd Service except what may be derived from his own solemn declaration upon oath, and in pursuance of the act of the 1<sup>st</sup> of May 1820, I do solemnly swear, that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818, & 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 bring myself within the provisions of an Act of Congress entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War", passed on the 18<sup>th</sup> 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 hereto annexed & by me subscribed.

And I do also, swear that my occupation is that of a Shoemaker. Which I am able to attend to only a part of the time on account of my age & particularly on account of a weakness at the breast, that I have in my family residing with me a wife named Elizabeth, who is 47 years of age & is in feeble health.

I have two daughters, who reside with me a part of the time, that is, Polly who is twenty two years of age & Susan who is 15 years of age, my two daughters are unable to assist me but on the contrary want my assistance.

I am unable by my labor to obtain a decent & comfortable support for myself & family & have no other means, but to depend upon public or private charity, neither have I any property except that which is mentioned in the annexed Schedule.

Schedule referred to by me Zadock Ward, in my declaration on oath hereto annexed, my necessary clothing & bedding excepted.

I have no real Estate whatever—

I have one Cow worth twelve Dollars \$12.00

1 swine worth two dollars 2.00

6 Common house chairs worth 2.50

2 Iron pots worth fifty cents each 1.00

1 old set knives & forks worth fifty cents .50

1 Dozen old plates worth fifty cents .50

1 Dozen tea cups & saucers wroth thirty seven cents .37

1 tea kettle worth fifty cents. ;.50

2 pails worth seventy five cents .75

` spinning wheel worth one dollar 1.00

\$22.62

(Signed) Zadock Ward

Sworn to declared on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of June 1821, before the Justices of s'd Court. (Sign'd ) Chas. Ledgwick, Clk