

Pension Application for George Waterhouse

S.17759

United States of America.

Main District SS.

At a Special Court of the United States begun and holden at Portland, within and for said District, on the thirty first day of August A.D. eighteen hundred and thirty two before the Honorable Ashur Ware, Judge of said Court.

On this thirty first day of August aforesaid, personally appeared in open Court before said District Judge George Waterhouse a resident of Poland in the county of Cumberland in said Maine District, aged eighty six years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he the said Waterhouse was elected Captain of a volunteer Company raised in the town of Barrington County of Strafford in the State of New Hampshire immediately after the news of the Lexington Battle A.D. 1775 and marched to the mouth of the Piscataqua River and was stationed at Fort Washington a little below Portsmouth in said State of New Hampshire and did the duty of Capt for at least two months.

Again in the summer of 1775 the first of July, he thinks he entered the service of the State of New Hampshire in the Company commanded by Capt John Drew and served eight months under said enlistment as second Lieutenant, William Bubb was first Lieut., that he marched from Portsmouth to Cambridge, in the regiment commanded by Col. Buldman a part of the time and a part of the time in the regiment commanded by Col. Poor.

Again he entered the service at Cambridge and served under Capt Drew aforesaid untill the twenty eighth of May he thinks A.D. 1776, that he was discharged but has lost the same, and that he served in the whole time twelve months and a half two months at least as a Capt and the rest of the time as Second Lieut.

He further states that he received no commission while Capt.

That the commission which he had as second Lieut was given into the hands of Judge Parris about 12 years ago and is not ever to be found and also some other papers which are of importance. He thinks that the papers were sent on to Washington under the act of A.D. 1818. That he knows of no person who can testify for him who is now alive.

That from the time he entered the service at Barrington until he was discharged there was no interval in which he did not serve. He is sure that he served 12 ½ months.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity, except the present, and he declares that his name is onto on any pension roll of any agency in any State. (Signed) George Waterhouse.

Sworn to and subscribed, the day and year aforesaid before. Ashur Ware, U.S. Judge for the District of Maine.

Letter in folder dated March 27, 1931, written in response to an inquiry.

You are advised that it appears from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim, S.1775 that George Waterhouse was born in Barrington, New Hampshire in 1746.

While residing in Barrington, New Hampshire, Immediately after the news of the battle of Lexington, he was elected captain of a volunteer company raised in said Barrington and marched to the mouth of the Piscataqua River and was stationed at Fort Washington, and did the duty of a captain two months. He was appointed in the summer of 1775, second lieutenant, and served ten and one-half months in Captain John Drew's company under Colonels Waldron and Poor.

He was allowed pension on his application executed August 31, 1832, at which time he was living at Poland, Cumberland County, Maine.

There are no data as to family.