

Pension Application for Benjamin Wheaton

S.23067

State of New York

Delaware County SS

On the Eight day of October in the year 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the said County of Delaware now sitting Benjamin Wheaton resident of the Town of Masonville in the County Delaware and State of New York aged seventy two 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 act of Congress passed the 7th of June 1832.

That he entered the service of the the [sic] United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

That in the fall of the year 1776 at HorseNeck in Connecticut he took the place of David Peck as his substitute for one month in Colo Thomas Thomas's Regiment Militia that they went to White Plains and they remained there a guard until said month expired.

And then at the same time and place he enlisted into the service for six months and was employ'd in guarding the [?] and Baggage and continued in to the service until April 1777—when he again enlisted at White Plains as a private soldier for the term of one year in the company commanded by Capt Richard Ssackett the Lieut names were F. Stephens and W. Carpenter in Colo Graham's Regiment of the New York troops.

That he was employed in various places about White Plains on the lines and on the North River until September following when he was ordered out to assist in building bridges and guarding [?] &c until Spring of 1778 he thinks the 6th of April when he was discharged at Peekskill and went home to HorseNeck—that he then engaged as a volunteer for three months in the summer of 1778 to guard the lines and served the said term on the lines as Scouting [scouting] parties—

That in the spring of the year 1782 he enlisted at GreenBush opposite the City of Albany for nine months in the company commanded by Capt. Youngs and afterwards by Capt Gillett in the regiment commanded by Colo Willes New York State troops—and went with said Regt up the Mohawk River to Fort Plains—Fort Dayton & to Fort Herkimer and was ordered to various places from one part to another on the Frontier and in Expeditions against the Indians through that and was discharged at Fort Herkimer by Capt Gillett about the 20th of December following – to wit in 1782—that his said discharge was lost long ago.

That he has no Documentary Evidence and knows of no person whose testimony he can procure to prove his said services that he hereby Relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State. (Signed) Ben Wheton

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid. C. B. Sheldon, Clerk.