

### **Pension Application for Solomon Mills**

W.18514 (Widow: Mary) Married June 1781. Solomon died August 22, 1842.

B.L.Wt.11075-160-55

State of New York

County of West Chester SS.

On this fourth day of October in the year 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the county of West Chester now sitting Solomon Mills of the Town of South Salem in the County of West Chester and State of New York aged about 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 June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832, that he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stationed to wit.

That sometime in the month of December 1776 at the Town of Bedford in the County of West Chester (where Declarant then resided) he enlisted in a company of Militia commanded by Capt Richard Sackett in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Thomas Thomas for nine months, that he was stationed as one of the guard at Fort Independence for the period of six months and for the residence of the [??] three months he was engaged in various service in the County of West Chester under the orders of Captain Sackett that he was marched from Bedford through the County of West Chester under the orders of Captain Sackett, that he was marched from Bedford through the County of West Chester to Fort Independence.

That in the early part of the year 1778 he enlisted in a Company of Militia commanded by the said Capt. Richard Sackett in said Regiment of Colonel Thomas Thomas at Bedford aforesaid for the term of three months that during this time the company to which he was attached was in active service in the lines in the County of West Chester.

That in the same year he enlisted for forty five days in the company of Capt Stephen, in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Thomas Thomas, he was stationed on the lines and there remained for the said term of forty five days.

That immediately after his said term of service expired he again enlisted in the Company of Militia commanded by Capt. Williams Regiment of Colonel Graham for forty five days. That he was again stationed on the lines, in West Chester County and served in the line for forty five days. That within a short period after the expiration of his said last term of service he again enlisted in a Company of Militia commanded by Capt. Cummings they were again stationed on the lines, that at one time the American troops on the line marched down as low as Throgs Neck, they were then attached by the British troops and compelled to retreat back again Declarant was down on this occasion.

At this time Ensign Tompkins was killed by the enemy when in the act of putting down some plank on a Bridge.

That in the year 1780 this Declarant enlisted for a period of forty five days in a company raised by Lieutenant [Posker] that they were stationed on the lines at a place

called [Turkey bar?] And also at Valentine's Hill from the past place they entreated retreated before the enemy he served his term out and was regularly discharged.

That in the year 1781 he enlisted again in the company of Militia commanded by Capt Sackett in the Regiment of Colonel Wisenfelt for nine months. That he was in active service for the whole time of nine months that he was with Lieutenant Mosher with a small scouting party in Harrison at the time the British Cavalry under Col. Holmes evade an attack upon Mosher's command. That he received a written discharge which he has lots. That he resided in Bedford during the whole period of the war.

That he has no documentary evidence of his service and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service except the persons named in the annexed affidavits and whose testimony as to his service appears by the said annexed affidavits. He hereby relinquishes [?] name to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. (Signed with his mark) Solomon Mills

Sworn to and Subscribed the day & year aforesaid. I have hereunto set my hand and seal of officer this fourth day of October 1832. N. Bayles Clk of said Court.