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State of Pennsylvania

Luzerne County } On the 5 day of September
1832 personally appeared in open court before the Judges
of the Court of Common Pleas in and for said County
James Brewer a resident of Bradenton in said County
aged sixty seven years who being first duly sworn
according to law doth in his oath make the following
declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the
act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 - That he
enlist the service of the United States in the State
troops of Massachusetts and served as he has after
enlisted under Col. Jonathan Brewer Lieut Col. Buck-
minster and Captain Hughes who was the only
officer of the Regiment that he can now recollect with
certainty - That he entered the service as a private or
attendant of his father Col. Jonathan
Brewer in the seventh Regiment Infantry State Troops
in the month of May 1795 in which was then generally
termed the eight months service. He was stationed at
Prospect Hill in the town of Cambridge served to the
end of the term above mentioned. That he went
in the same capacity with his father Col. Jonathan
Brewer to Foster town then in March 1796 when the
British evacuated that town. That about this time
or during the spring of 1796 his father Col. Brewer
was transferred to the command of a Regiment
of Artillery at New-York & that this applicant
went to New York he thinks in the month of April
or May 1796 and joined the Regiment as a
waiter of Col. Brewer who was then styled Barrack
Master General. That Col. Brewer's Regiment was
ordered to the Highlands near Kingsbridge at the
time of the battle of Long Island when it lay until
after the battle of White Plains, that he continued
with the Regiment until November 1796 when he
left the army on furlough & went home. And this
applicant believes that his service in the army of

the United States continued for about one year and eight months - and that he resided in Waltham Massachusetts when he entered the service -

And the applicant further states that he is not acquainted with any person now living except James Farnsworth who has knowledge of his name as stated in this declaration - and that he procured the affidavit of the said husband in 1827 with a view to entitle himself to a pension under former laws of Congress & that affidavit is herewith submitted to the Court.

And the applicant further states - That there is no resident Clergyman in the township of Bennington the present place of his abode - and that he has obtained from his neighbors Nicholas Overfield & Paul Overfield certificates setting forth their belief of his age and that he is a person of truth - which evidence is all that he has in his power to obtain in corroboration of his declaration -

And he hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever to a pension or annuity except the present I declare that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any Agency of any States -

Q. How did you get your name on the roll?

Answer - I was born in the town of Framingham in the State of Massachusetts on the 26 of May 1765.

Q. Have you any record of your age at any time?

Answer - I have no record of date from the time of my birth as given by my parents.

Q. Where were you living when called into service, where have you lived since the Revolutionary war, and where do you now live?

answer - I lived in Waltham Massachusetts when
called into service - I lived in Woodstock Vermont
about 15 years, and I have resided in Braintree
Pennsylvania my present residence about 25 years.

How were you called into service - were you drafted
did you volunteer - or were you a substitute, and
assessor of a substitute's price?

answer - I was first enlisted in the state troops at a
very early age - in Massachusetts - in the eight months
service I was from there transferred to a Regiment
of Artillery at New-York in the years service -
and when I received my furlough as referred to in
my declaration I left the service & did not
return my time expiring with my furlough.

Did you ever receive a discharge from the
service - and if so by whom was it given & what
has become of it?

answer - I never received any discharge, except as by
the furlough above mentioned -

From the Subscribed before
me the 5 day of Sept 1852
in Open Court

H. Pettibone
Not.

Frederic Brown