

Revolutionary War Pension Application

J O H N M U D G E

Mass Invalid

Act of June 7, 1832

dates of enlistment	for	rank
Apr. 1775	8 mos	pvt., Col. PATTER- -SON of Mass.
June, 1776	4 mos	
June 1777	2 mos	

res. at Inl. West Stockbridge, Mass
appl. for pension., October 9, 1832 -allowed
res. at application, Alexander, Genessee Co.
remarks : in 1839, Soldier was living at High-
land, Oakland Co., Mich. with his son.

State of New York)
Ontario County)

On this 23^d day of July 1832 personally appeared before me, HENRY CHAPIN Esquire a Justice of the Peace in and for Said County, residing in Canandaigua-DAVID MUDGE of the town of Bristol county of Ontario and State of New York, who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his Oath make the following declaration that JOHN MUDGE now of the town of Alexander of the County of Genessee & State aforesaid, aged seventy six years, was in the war of the Revolution, and served in the army of the United States in Capt. PORTER's Company in Colonel PATTERSON's Regiment Soon after the Battle of Lexington in the year 1775 the said JOHN MUDGE enlisted as aforesaid and marched to Boston and returned in December following to the town of Stockbridge where the father of the deponent and the said JOHN MUDGE then lived, and this deponent believes that the said JOHN MUDGE was gone on said expedition eight months and this deponent further saith that the said JOHN MUDGE in the year 1776, again went into the United States service, and went on a northern rout, and as this deponent understands to Ticonderoga, and was absent four months, but does not remember his officers names And this deponent saith that in the Spring of 1777 at Stockbridge aforesaid this deponent with the Said JOHN MUDGE enlisted in Captain ROWLEY's Company and went to Granville, in the State of New York and arrived in Granville the same day that Ticonderoga was taken And this deponent further Saith that he does not remember how long he was on this enlistment, and further Saith not

Sworn and Subscribed)
the day and year)
above written)
before me)
HENRY CHAPIN, J.P.)

His
DAVID MUDGE
mark

State of New York)
Ontario County) ss

CONSIDER LUCAS being Sworn
deposes that he has been
acquainted with DAVID MUDGE who made the above affi-
davit for four months past & knows him to be a minis-
ter of the Gospel & to be of good moral character

Subscribed & Sworn
before me on the 23^d
day of July 1832
HENRY CHAPIN, J.P.

CONSIDER LUCAS

State of New York)
County of Ontario) ss

I, CHARLES CRANE, Clerk of the County of
Ontario, do hereby certify, that HENRY CHAPIN, whose name
is subscribed to the certificate of affidavit to which
this certificate is annexed, was at the ~~date~~ of said affi-
davit and at the time the said affidavit purports to have
been ~~taken~~ & Sworn a Justice of the Peace in and for said
County, And I further certify that I am well acquainted with
the hand writing of the said HENRY and verily believe his
signature aforesaid to be genuine.

In Testimony whereof, I have set my hand, and affixed
the Seal of the Court of Common Pleas of said County at
Canandaigua, This Twenty Third day of July in the year of
our Lord, 1836

CHARLES CRANE, Clerk

State of New York) ss
County of Genessee)

On the ninth day of October Eighteen
hundred and thirty two personally appeared in open Court
before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the Coun-
-ty of Genessee now sitting JOHN MUDGE a resident of the
town of Alexander in the County of Genessee and State of
New York aged seventy six years the 21st day of November
last, who being first duly Sworn according to law, doth
on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain th
the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

That he was born in Sharon in Connecticut in Novem-
ber 1755. That in the month of April (the particular day
of the month he does not recollect) 1775, he entered the
service of the United States, in the War of the Revolution
as a volunteer in a Regiment of Militia of the State of
Massachusetts, commanded by Col. PATTERSON (whose Christ-
-ian name or the number of the Regiment the said JOHN Does

not recollect) in a company commanded by Capt. PORTER and Lieut, ASHLEY (whose Christian names the said JOHN does not recollect) for eight months, and continued in said service, under this engagement, during that period. That at the time of entering said service he resided at West Stockbridge in Massachusetts. From that place he marched to Cambridge where he joined his Regiment. From thence to a place called Lechmere's Point between Cambridge & Boston, where he, with the Regiment, was stationed under General PUTNAM, to guard the place against the British until he was discharged from service. At Lechmere's Point he saw General WASHINGTON, but does not recollect the names of any other officers of the regular Army whom he saw or became acquainted with except that of General PUTNAM.

The Said JOHN further says that in the month of June (the particular day he does not recollect), 1776, he again entered the service as a volunteer, for four months in the militia of Massachusetts, the number of the regiment to which he belonged or the Commandant's name thereof he does not recollect, nor does he recollect the Captain's name of the Company to which he belonged, his Lieutenant's name was STONE, but his Christian name he does not recollect at West Stockbridge aforesaid, and continued in said service under the Engagement for four months. From West Stockbridge he marched to Ticonderoga where he joined his Regiment. He was stationed at a place called Mount Hope near Ticonderoga, where he remained until he was discharged. Under this engagement he formed no acquaintance with any of the officers of the Regular army whose names he can now recollect.

The said JOHN further says that in the month of June (the particular day of the month he does not recollect) 1777, he again entered Said Service as a Volunteer, at West Stockbridge aforesaid in the Militia of the State of Massachusetts, and continued in said service under this engagement, as near as he can recollect, two months or thereabouts. He does not remember the number of the Regiment to which he belonged nor the name of the Commandant thereof; his Captain's name was ROWLEY, his Christian name he does not recollect, nor can he name any of the officers of the regular army with whom he became acquainted under that engagement. From West Stockbridge aforesaid, the said JOHN MUDGE marched to Granville in the State of New York. Thence to Fort Ann. From this place, the said JOHN, together with the rest of the American Troops stationed there to guard it were compelled by the British forces to retreat to Fort Edward. From Fort Edward the said JOHN with others of the American Troops was ordered back to a place then called Halfway Brook between Fort Edward and Fort Ann, where he remained until he was discharged.

The said John further says that he was again employed in said service but how long he cannot state in searching for and arresting Tories; that he assisted in capturing

two or three who were sent to Albany and lodged in jail there. The said JOHN further stated in Explanation that it was so long since the said services were rendered by him and the incidents thereof have been so little thought of by him since that he cannot now recollect the exact period in which he was employed in said service under the two last engagements, but he is confident that the whole time he was employed in said service under ^{the} several engagements aforesaid was at least fourteen months. He had no documentary evidence of his service other than the affidavit of DAVID MUDGE herewith accompanying and he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his services.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever 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

Sworn to & Subscribed)	JOHN MUDGE
the day & year aforesaid)	
in open Court)	
T.FITCH, Clerk)	

Supplementary to the foregoing declaration and in answer to the special interrogations put to him by the Court pursuant to the instructions of the Secretary of War the said JOHN MUDGE further states that he was born in Sharon, in Conn.; Nov 21st 1755, That he had a record of his age in Conn - That he lived at the close of the War in Stockbridge aforesaid, Mass. From this place he moved to Phillipstown, Albany Co., N.Y. where he resided 2 or 3 years. From thence he moved to Stockbridge in Mass. where he resided 4 or 5 years, From thence back to Phillipstown where he resided about 3 years. From there he moved to Florida in the State of New York where he resided about 13 years. From thence he moved to Sherburne, N.Y. where he lived about 14 years. From thence he moved to Alexander, Genessee Co. where he has resided about 12 years and where he now resides. That he was called into said service as before stated and under the officers before named. That he had no other than a verbal discharge from service. That NATHANIEL BROWN, WILLIAM NELSON, JAMES NELSON are residents of his present neighborhood unto whom he is known and who can testify as to his character for veracity and their belief of his services as a Soldier of the Revolution

Sworn and Subscribed	JOHN MUDGE
this 15 th day of October	
1832 in open Court	
T.FITCH, Clerk	

NATHANIEL BROWN a clergyman residing in the town of Bethany in the County of Genessee and State of New York and WILLIAM NELSON in Alexander in the same County hereby certify that we are well acquainted with JOHN MUDGE

JOHN MUDGE (cont'd)

who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration, that we believe him to be seventy six years of age; that he is reputed and believed, in the neighborhood where he resided, to have been a Soldier of the Revolution and that we concur in that opinion.

Sworn and Subscribed)	NATHANIEL BROWN
the day & year afore-)	
said in open Court)	W ^m NELSON

T.FITCH, Clerk

And the Said Court do hereby declare their opinion after the investigation of the matter and after putting the interrogations prescribed by the War Department that the the above named applicant was a Revolutionary Soldier and served as stated.

And the Court further certified that it appears to them that NATHANIEL BROWN who has signed the preceding certificate is a clergyman resident in the town of Bethany in the County of Genessee and State of New York, and that WILLIAM NELSON who has also signed the same is a resident of the town of Alexander in Said County and is a credible person, and that their statement is entitled to credit.

ISAAC WILSON

WILLIAM MITCHELL

ROBERT CAREL jr

I, TIMOTHY FITCH, clerk of the Said Court of Common Pleas do certify that the foregoing contains the original proceedings of the Said Court in the matter of the application of JOHN MUDGE for a pension

In testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal of office this 9th day of October 1832

T. FITCH, Clerk

(on outside)

In the matter of JOHN MUDGE, a pensioner

Declaration

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Please send certificate to

CARLETON TOWNER

Batavia, Genessee Co., N.Y.

Admitted

To the Secretary of War Office
D Sir

I have been a pensioner for a few Years in the State of New York but within two years I have taken up my residence for life as I expect in the State of Michigan in the town of Highland, Oakland County. I have received none of my dues since I arrived here and my necessities are now urgent. Some months have elapsed since I made writings to Your Office for a transfer of my payments to Michigan but have had no returns nor heard from it since. I feel desirous to know the cause and if anything has been done amiss on my part to cause the delay, if the writings have never come to your hand I wish to be instructed what course to pursue that I may soon find relief.

My Duplicate Says on book D, Vol. 5, page 178, No 4816, Recorded by Ge. C. STILES, Clerk

JOHN C. MUDGE

Highland, May 4th 1839

Application for a transfer

County of Livingston ss)

On this twenty second day of May 1838 before me the Subscriber, a Justice of the Peace for Said County of Livingston, personally appeared JOHN MUDGE who, on Oath declares that he is the same person who formerly belonged to the Company commanded by Colonel PATTERSON in the service of the United States; that his name was placed on the Pension Roll of the State of New York from whence he has lately removed; that he now resides in the State of Michigan, where he intends to remain, and wishes his Pension to be there payable in the future. The following are his reasons for removing from the State of New York to the State of Michigan, viz, to live with his Son

JOHN MUDGE

Sworn and Subscribed
before me the day
and year aforesaid

Oath of Witness

State of Michigan)) ss
County of Livingston)

On the twenty second day of _____ 1838,
before me the Subscriber a Justice of the Peace for said
County, personally appeared ELISHA MUDGE, who on his oath