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*Schittenden Benjamin*

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Connecticut.

Benjamin Chittenden  
Ensign  
Connecticut line  
In the army of the United States during the Revolutionary War

Inscribed on the Roll of Connecticut  
at the rate of 20 Dollars per month, to commence on  
the 16<sup>th</sup> of April, 1818.

Certificate of Pension issued the 20<sup>th</sup> of April 1818  
and sent to Hon. S. Baldwin Judge  
at New Haven, Connect.

Arrearages to 4<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1818. 4<sup>th</sup> 30 mo. 92.66  
4<sup>th</sup> 19/30<sup>th</sup> 92.66

{ Revolutionary claims, }  
{ Act 18th March, 1818, }

76 One Year

Not recorded  
Opinion of Atty Gen. sent 22  
May 1821.  
Chittenden Wallingford

Not recorded  
Murray to Haggis  
New Haven Conn  
1818

Connecticut

I Benjamin Chittenden of Wallingford in  
New Haven County in Connecticut a resident  
citizen of the United States, do depose & on oath  
Declare that I served my country in the revolutionary  
war more than one year on the continental establish-  
ments that after serving as a private soldier & then com-  
missioned officer from the commencement of the war  
I was appointed an ensign in Capt Charles Ponds  
Company in the fourth Connecticut regiment then  
commanded by Col Bouglah in Nov 1776 & entered  
the service as such & soon after received a Commission  
as such & continued in service in the same regiment,  
afterwards for a short time under Col Simon, & then  
commanded by Col R. J. Meigs, till on account of  
my ill health I resigned my Commission and  
was discharged in April 1778 - that 2<sup>d</sup> regiment  
was afterwards the 6<sup>th</sup> & then again the 4<sup>th</sup> in the  
Connecticut Line of the Army that by time and  
accident my discharge & Commission are both  
lost except a small part of my Commission  
which I now produce

That by reason of my reduced circumstances  
in life I now need assistance from my Country  
for support

I therefore pray that I may be placed  
on the pension list of the United States as a commis-  
sioned officer according to the provision of the act of  
Congress, entitled "An act to provide for certain  
pensions in the land & naval service of the United  
States in the revolutionary war."

New Haven April 9<sup>th</sup> 1818 Benjamin Chittenden

At a County Court, held in and for the County of  
 Southaven, in the District and State of Connecticut, on the 5<sup>th</sup>  
 day of July 1820, the same being a Court of Record, and  
 having a Seal, by virtue of the laws of said State.

PERSONALLY APPEARED, in open Court, Benjamin Chittenden a resident in the town of  
 Wallingford in the County of Southaven in said State, and exhibited and subscribed  
 the following Schedule, and made oath that the same is a true and perfect Schedule of all his in-  
 come and property, necessary clothing and bedding excepted, viz:

11 Store of Lard \$233 - 1 Dish 2.50 / Table \$2 2 old Dr \$2 — \$240.50  
 2 Candle Stands \$1 / Wood block \$8 / Chest drawers 1-25 — 10.25  
 2 Old shirts \$1 / 6 Chairs \$2.20 / Great wheel / Dubbed Dr \$1 — 5.45  
 1 Shovel \$50 / 2 Small looking glasses \$50 / Can bottles \$75 / Can tin \$50 — 2.25  
 1 Tea pot \$10 / 9 Cup & Saucers \$34 / Sugar & Paper box \$16 / 4 Plates 12 — 72  
 14 Plates \$62 / 1 Tumbler 8 / wine glass 4 / 12 / 12 / 12 / 12 — 99  
 4 tin pans \$25 / 1 Cullender 27 / 1 tin nail 25 / 2 / 2 / 2 — 1.50 2-37  
 1 Dish \$25 / 1 Tea Dr \$50 / 1 Old brass kettle 1-75 / 1 Grindstone 50 — 3 —  
 1 Gridiron 25 / Shovel tongs 50 / Fryng pan 60 / 1 / 1 / 1 — 1-25 2-60  
 parts of set joiners tools \$6 / 1 / 1 / 1 / 1 / 1 — 6-95  
 1 Chopping knife 12 / flesh fork 6 / 1 Candle stick 1 / 1 / 1 — 59  
 1 Stone jar 17 / saw 4 / Steadyars 50 / 5 Cider barrels 2-8 — 2-79  
 1 Wash tub 25 / 1 beer Mug 25 / 3 / 3 / 3 — 84 / 1 Old tin 50 — 1.84  
 1 Saw & 4 Pigs \$8 - / 1 Horn cast & Gears \$6 / 1 wheel barrel 1-25 15-25  
 2 Pitchforks 75 / 1 rake 12 / 1 / 1 / 1 / 1 / 1 — 1.86  
 1 Horse plow 1-50 / 1 Cart \$15 / 1 Roper \$13 - / 5 Sheep 6-25 — 35-75  
 1 Bible \$3 / 1 Prayer book 20 / 1 / 1 / 1 / 1 / 1 — 3-50  
 1 Set Spoons 20 / 1 Col Scotts walters 37 / Pocket Dictionary 17 — 74  
 1 Set knives & forks — 50

\$339.57

Benjamin Chittenden

District and State of Connecticut, ss.

*Be it Remembered,* That in the *County* Court, held in and for the *County* of *Sturkovern*, in the District and State aforesaid, on this *5<sup>th</sup>* day of *July* 182*7*, the same being a Court of Record, and having a Seal, under the authority of said State, personally came and appeared in open Court, *Benjamin Chittenden* aged *66* years, resident in the Town of *Wallingford* in the County of *Sturkovern* in said State, and being *Sworn* according to Law, doth on his Oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War, as follows: *in the Continental Service in a regiment commanded by Col<sup>l</sup> Meigs in Capt Charles Parde's company as an Ensign in Co's company (said regiments was also under the command of Col<sup>l</sup> Douglass & Col<sup>l</sup> Dunning while I was in the service which was about one year and nine months*

that the original Declaration made by him, for the purpose of obtaining a pension under the Act of Congress of the 18th of March 1818, was dated the *16<sup>th</sup>* day of *April* 1818; that in pursuance thereof he was entered in the list of Pensioners, and received a Pension Certificate No. *250* And I do further solemnly *Swear* that I was a resident citizen of the United States, on the 18th day of March, 1818, and that I have not since that time, by gift, sale, or in any manner, disposed of my property, or any part thereof, with intent thereby so to diminish it, as to bring myself within the provisions of an Act of Congress, entitled "An Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War," passed on the 18th day of March, 1818; and that I have not, nor has any person, in trust, for me, any property or securities, contracts or debts due to me; nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereunto annexed, and by me subscribed. And I do further declare that my occupation *is that of a House Joiner* but by reason of age and infirmity, I am unable to labour at any kind of employment and that I have a family residing with me as follows *my wife Rebecca aged 50 years unable to support herself my Daughter Madral Rice Davis aged 18 years able to support herself my Grand son Joseph Ines Peter aged 11 years unable to support himself*

all which is subscribed by me the day and year aforesaid.

*Benjamin Chittenden*

Sworn to, and declared in the Court aforesaid. Whereupon said Court is, on satisfactory proof exhibited in Court, of opinion that the total amount in value of the property contained in the aforesaid Schedule, is *339* Dollars and *87* Cents, and doth order these proceedings to be entered in the records of said Court.

*West Henry Flagg*

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS.

Washington, D. C., \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_

*N. G. 37836*

In reply to your request of \_\_\_\_\_, received \_\_\_\_\_  
 for a statement of the military history of *Benjamin Chittenden*  
 a soldier of the REVOLUTIONARY WAR, you will find below the desired  
 information as contained in his (or his widow's) application for pen-  
 sion on file in this Bureau.

DATES OF ENLISTMENT OR APPOINTMENT.	LENGTH OF SERVICE.	RANK.	OFFICERS UNDER WHOM SERVICE WAS RENDERED.		STATE.
			CAPTAIN.	COLONEL.	
<i>Nov. 1776</i>	<i>Apr. 1778</i>	<i>Pat. + Cousin</i>	<i>Charles Poad</i>	<i>Douglas Dixon R. J. Mear</i>	<i>Conn.</i>

Battles engaged in, *Bunker Hill, St. Johns, Longueuil, La Prairie, Montreal  
 Long Island, Harlem.*  
 Residence of soldier at enlistment, *not stated.*

Date of application for pension, *Apr. 9, 1818. His cl. was allowed.*

Residence at date of application, *Wallingford New Haven Co. Conn.*

Age at date of application, *64 yrs. Date of birth + death not stated.*

Remarks: *See also his wife Rebecca was 50 years old daughter  
 Rachel Rice was 16 years of age son Joseph was 11 years.  
 Date + place of marriage + maiden name of wife not stated.*

Respectfully,

Commissioner.