

Declaration

In order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress of the 7th of June 1832

State of New Jersey Gloucester County
On this twenty first day of November in the Year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and thirty two, personally appeared before the Inferior Court of Common Pleas of the County of Gloucester in the State of New Jersey, Jesse Conover of the said County aged seventy eight years and upwards, who being duly sworn according to law, doth upon his solemn oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832

That he entered the Service of the United States, and served under the following named officers as herein after mentioned -

That is to say In the month of June 1776 he entered as a private in a Company Commanded by Capt Zephaniah Stebbins, in Col Richard Somers Regiment the Company marched from Mays Landing, by the Blue Tavern and

and through Madsdenfield to Coopers
Ferry opposite the City of Philadelphia
from Coopers Ferry we crossed to Phila-
delphia, and marched from there to
through Bristol Trenton Princeton New
Brunswick & to Amboy where we
quartered and remained in the service
one month when we were discharged
Col Hillman of Gloucester County. Com-
manded the Regt whilst we were
at Amboy -

The next entered the service in the
1- latter part of July or first of August 1776
as a private in a company commanded
by the same Capt Zephaniah Hillman
in Col Somers Regiment, the company
paraded at Warrleborough in Little
Eggharlow River and went from there
in boats down the River to a place
called the Fox burrows, where we
commenced building a small Fort
we remained at this place and in
the service for one month and were
discharged -

The next entered the service in
the month of September 1776 as a private
in

1 in the same Capt Zephaniah Steelman
Company and in Col Somers Regiment
the Company proceeded to the Fox
Burrows above mentioned, where we
quartered and remained in the service
one month and were discharged

1 The next entered in the month of Octo-
ber 1777 as a private in a company Com-
manded by Capt Zephaniah Steelman in
Col Somers Regiment, the company
marched from Egg Harbor by Blue
Anchor to Nassonfield where we quar-
tered and remained one month and
were discharged, during this time
we had a pretty smart skirmish with
the enemy at Gloucester in which
Lieutenant Dr Lucas was killed and
Ensign John Tilton wounded, both of
whom belonged to our company -

1 The next entered in the month of Septem-
ber 1778 as a private in the same Company
Commanded by Capt Steelman in Col
Somers Regiment, the company marched
to Chesnut Neck, where we remained
until that place was burnt by the
British, we then moved down the
River

River to Leeds point and remained there till our month expired when we were discharged after having served one month —

A The next entered as a private in a Company Commanded by Capt. John Davis in Col. Somers Regt. the company marched to Chesnut Creek aforesaid where we quartered and remained one month and were discharged. This service commenced he thinks in November 1778 and ended in Decemr of that year —

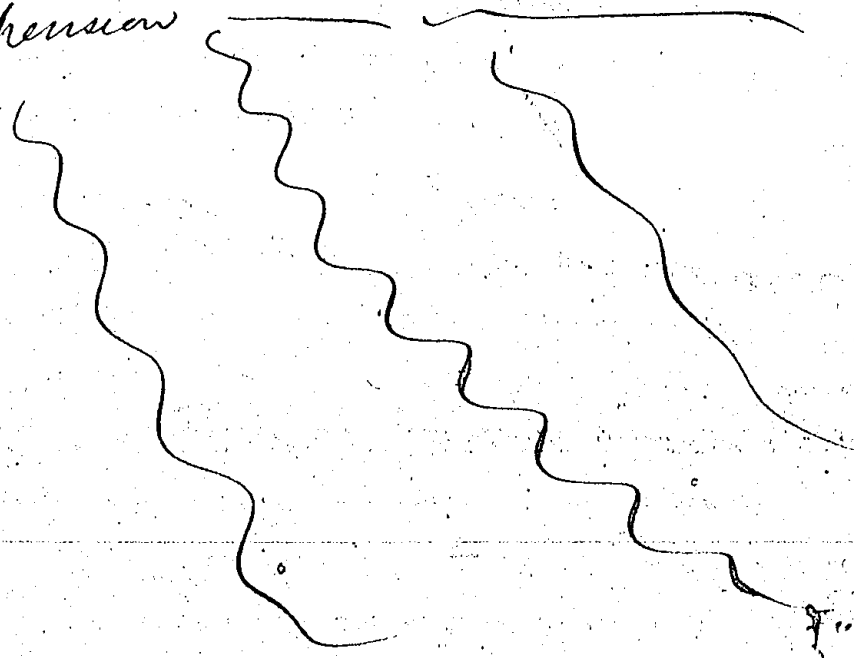
A The next entered as a private in the month of Decemr 1778 or January 1779 in a company Commanded by Captain Richard Hedges in Col. Somers Regiment the company marched to Leeds Point on Little Egg Harbor River, where we remained one month and were discharged —

A The next entered as a private in the month of November 1779 in a company Commanded by Capt. Zephaniah Steedman in Col. Somers Regt. the Company quartered at Leeds Point aforesaid — where we

we remained until discharged, having
served one month — during this time
we had a skirmish with a party of
the enemy that landed at Steelman
Point, and several of their men were
killed, we also had another Skirmish
with a party that landed at Obadi-
ah Reads on the ^{sea} shore —

1 He next entered as a private in the
month of August 1780 in a Company
Commanded by Capt Samuel Inell in
Col Somers Regiment — the Company
quartered at Somers Point at the
mouth of Great Egg Harbor River
we remained in the service one month
and were discharged — This was
the last service that he performed
during the Revolutionary War — The
whole time that he served during
the Revolutionary War, and whilst
engaged in a regularly organized
Corps, was nine months, during
which time he was either in the
field or the garrison, and was not
employed in any civil pursuit.

and during all which time he
served as a private - and this de-
clarant further states that he is not
confident of ~~his~~ being correct in all
cases as regards the dates of his service
he has put them down from the best
of his recollection, and believes that
they are generally correct - but from
age and loss of memory he may be
incorrect in some particulars - but
feels quite confident that he served
under all the officers he has named
and for the periods above mentioned
and for which services he claims a
pension



He was born in the township of Galloroy
in the County of Gloucester in the year
seventeen hundred and fifty eight in the
month of August — — —

He has no record of his age — —

He was living when called into service
in the township of Galloroy in the County
of Gloucester aforesaid, he has lived
since the Revolutionary War, in the
same place, and now lives in the
same township and County —

When called into service he was
sometimes drafted and sometimes
volunteered — generally ~~drafted~~ ^{volunteered} —

Col. Proctor was with the troops where
he served at Chestnut Neck, he saw other
regular officers there but does not now
remember who they were, Col. Proctor's
regiment of Artillery or some part of it
was at the same place — he saw Col
Ellis' regiment of Militia and Col —
Somers' regiment at the same place
he thinks that he saw regular troops
~~at~~ at Amboy but is not certain,
he saw Militia there — — —

He does not remember ever to have received a written discharge from the Service, except from Capt Steelman at Amboy and that is lost.

He is acquainted with John Clement Esquire, William Cooper, Joseph Garwood Esquire, Isaac Smith, Matthew Collins Esquire, Joseph Endicott Esquire - and other in his neighbourhood -

He has no documentary evidence and the only evidence of his services that he knows of are to be found in the affidavits hereto annexed -

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 any agency ⁱⁿ of any State

Sworn and subscribed
in open Court the
day and year first
above written

Ephraim Miller

Michael C. Fisher

Simon Sparks

John B. Hawley

his
Jesse ~~X~~ Conover
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