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Land Grant Application- Davis, Samuel (Standish)

Samuel Davis

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East Standish August 28 1836

Dear Sir

Some weeks ~~ago~~ I sent to the
Land Office the application of Samuel Daws
& Mary Morton under the Resolves of 24 March
1836 and have heard nothing of them since
Please inform me if they arrived at your office

William Warrist J Esq
Augusta

Your obedient Servant
Caleb Hodson

East Standish August 28 1836

Recd of William Warrist J Esq by mail the
certificates of Mary Morton & Samuel Daws
Caleb Hodson

Caleb Hodgden
receipt for
Mary Norton &
Samuel Davis

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Saml. Davis, 148

Res. March 24th 1836,

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Filed Aug. 2^d 1836, —

Admitted & certified
No. 141. Sp. Aug. 19, 1836,
& sent Caleb Hodson Esq
per mail Co. Standard
Aug. 26, 1836.

I Samuel Davis of Standish in the County of Cumberland
and State of Maine aged thirty four years do upon oath
declare in order to obtain the benefit of a Resolue of the
Legislature of Maine passed March 24 1836 entitled "Resolue
additional to a Resolue passed March 14 1835 entitled "Resolue
in favour of certain officers and soldiers of the Revolutionary
War and the widows of the deceased officers and soldiers" that
I enlisted at Gosham in said County on the 14 day of March 1781
and served in Capt Isaac Papes Co. and Capt Shepard Reg.
and was discharged at Westport in ~~the~~ the latter part of the
Year 1783 having served about 2 years and nine months
all in ~~that~~ that was then called the last three year -
I do further on oath declare that at the time of my said
enlistment I was an Inhabitant of said Gosham and was
was on the 24 day of March 1836 have been ever since and
now am an Inhabitant of the State of Maine residing in
Standish aforesaid where I have resided for thirty six years
past. That I nor any one claiming under me has ever
received a grant of Land or money in lieu thereof from the
Commonwealth of Massachusetts for my said service or any other
service during the Revolutionary War and that I am justly
entitled to the benefit of said Resolue

Samuel Davis

State of Maine
Cumberland Subscribed and sworn to this Eleventh day
of July 1836

Before me Caleb Hodsdon Justice of the Peace

I know all men by these presents that I Samuel Davis of
Standish in the County of Cumberland and State of Maine being the
same person by whom the preceding declaration was made do
hereby constitute and appoint
my true and lawful Attorney for me and in my name to
receive from the Land Agent of the State of Maine such
certificate as he may issue to me in virtue of a Resolution of said
State passed 24 March 1836 ^{entitled a} Resolution additional to
a resolution passed March 17 1835 ^{entitled} Resolution in favour of certain officers
and soldiers of the Revolutionary war and the widows of
the deceased officers and soldiers to the benefit of which
Resolution I am entitled and my said Attorney is hereby
authorized and empowered upon the receipt of said certificate
for me in my name to execute such receipt or acknowledgment
thereof as I might see & personally present
Hereby ratifying and confirming whatsoever my said
Attorney shall do by virtue of these presents within
my hand and seal this Eleventh day of July A.D. 1836
Signed sealed and delivered

in presence of
Caleb Madisson
Wm Files

Samuel Davis

State of Maine

Cumberland ss Be it known that on the Eleventh day
of July 1836 before the subscriber a Justice of the Peace for
said county personally appeared Samuel Davis above named
and acknowledged the foregoing power of Attorney by him
signed to be his free act and seal
Before me Caleb Madisson Justice of the Peace

To the Honorable William Widger, one of the Associate
Judges of the Circuit Court of Common Pleas for the first
Eastern Circuit of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
Respectfully Shows— Samuel Davis, of Standish in
the Maine District, that he served as a private soldier
in the war of the Revolution three years and upwards
in continuation on the Continental Establishment,
that he yet is a resident citizen of the United States
at Standish aforesaid, and that by reason of your ap-
plicants reduced circumstances in life, he is in need of
assistance from his Country for support, being now
fifty six years of age. And your applicant fur-
ther represents, that in the service aforesaid, he belong-
ed in his said capacity of a Private Soldier to the first
being Captain Isaac Popes Company of the fourth Reg-
iment, of the Massachusetts Line, that he entered said
service on or about the fourteenth day of March one thousand
seven hundred and eighty one, and that he left said service
on or about the thirty first of December one thousand seven
hundred and eighty three the war being closed and he
having received an honorable discharge which is herewith
exhibited. Wherefor, inasmuch as your applicant
as he verily believes, comes under the provisions of an act,
entitled "An Act to provide for certain persons engaged
in the Land and naval service of the United States in
the Revolutionary war," he prays your honor to insti-
tute an enquiry into the circumstances of his case, and
that such further proceedings may be had touching the
premises as are prescribed by law, in order that your
applicant may be placed on the Pension List of the United
States. Dated at Portland, this seventeenth day of
April 1818.

(Signed)

Samuel Davis



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United States of America
Maine District ss. Be it known that on the seventeenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, personally came before me, William Widgery, one of the Associate Judges of the Circuit Court of Common Pleas for the first Eastern Circuit of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, resident at Portland, within the County of Cumberland, in said Maine District - the said Court being a Court of records of said State Samuel Davis, the above named Applicant, and made oath that the several statements by him made in the foregoing application by him signed are true. And the said Samuel Davis - farther offered in evidence his original discharge which is herewith annexed.

Whereupon it does appear to the satisfaction of me the said Judge, that the said Samuel Davis served in the Revolutionary ^{war} as alleged in his application, against the common enemy, and that by reason of his reduced circumstances in life he is in need of assistance from his Country for support.

In Testimony whereof, I the said Judge, have herewith set my hand and caused the seal of the said ^{Court} Court of Common Pleas for the County of Cumberland, to be herewith affixed, this seventeenth day of April - in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, and of the Independence of the United States the forty second. All which is herewith certified and transmitted.
(Signed) Wm. Widgery



Associate Judge of the Circuit Court of Common Pleas for the first Eastern Circuit of the Commonwealth of Mass^{ts}

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By the Honourable Major-General Knox, Commanding the American Forces on Hudson's River. Samuel Davis, Soldier in the fourth Massachusetts Regt. being enlisted for three years, is hereby honorably discharged from the service of the United States.

Given in the State of New York the thirty first day of December 1783. (Signed) H. Knox M. Genl.

By the General's command. Registered in the Books of the Regiment. (Signed) Tho. St. Condy Adj. Pt

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Cumberland ss. I the subscriber, Clerk of the Courts in said County, certify that Hon. William Widgery is an Associate Justice of the Circuit Court of Common Pleas, as stated in the annexed certificate, and that his signature to the same is his own proper signature.

In Testimony whereof, I do hereto subscribe my name, and affix the seal of said Court this 27th day of June A.D. 1818.
(Signed) Geo. Bradbury

I hereby certify that the foregoing pages numbered from one to three inclusive are truly copied from the originals on file in the Pension Office, War Department.

Ch. Fletcher



I Certify that Charles Fletcher, who is employed by the Land Agent of the State, of Maine, under a Resolution of the Legislature of that State, approved by the Governor on the 17th of March 1835, to obtain from the Pension Office certain documents and records, has made as full an examination in the case of Samuel Davis, as the Books and papers of said office will allow, according to the best of my judgment and belief.
Dated at the Pension Office. War Department the 12th of August 1836.

J. L. Edwards,
Comm^r of Pensions

Samuel Davis

