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# Land Grant Application- Ewer, Jonathan (Vassalborough)

Jonathan Ewer

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Kennebec Co. May 29. 1837  
I certify that from evidence this  
day produced to me I am satisfied, that Petsy  
Ewer is the widow of Jonathan Ewer, late of  
Vassalborough in the County of Kennebec - deceased.  
Wm. Kelley Judge of Probate  
for the Co. of Kennebec

Betsy Ewer <sup>251</sup>  
widow of Jon<sup>l</sup> Ewer

Res. March 20, 1836

Rec<sup>d</sup> May 30, 1837

Admitted &  
Certificate No. 233  
issued June 2<sup>d</sup> 1837

& sent per Mail to  
Wm. W. W. for  
G. W. Morton.

Geo W Morton

I *Betsy Ewer* of *Vapallrough* in the County of *Sumner* and State of Maine, aged *Seventy* years, do, upon oath, declare in order to obtain the benefit of a Resolve of the Legislature of Maine, passed March 24, 1836, entitled a "Resolve additional to a Resolve, passed March seventeenth, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-five, entitled 'Resolve in favor of certain Officers and Soldiers of the Revolutionary War, and the Widows of the deceased Officers and Soldiers,'" that I am the widow of

*Jon<sup>a</sup> Ewer* late of *Vap<sup>a</sup>* in the County of *Sumner* and state of Maine, who died at *Vapallrough* on the *twenty ninth* day of *January* - A. D. 1829 That I have reason to believe, and do fully believe, that my said late husband,

*Jonathan Ewer* did enlist as a private for *three years* in *Fox Coff & Jackson Regiment* of the *Mass<sup>a</sup> line* in the army of the Revolution and rec<sup>d</sup> an honorable discharge in *June 1783*. for which service *he was* upon the *United States pension roll* of the *Maine agency*

I do further on oath declare that I have reason to believe, and do fully believe, that my said late husband,

*Jon<sup>a</sup> Ewer* was at the time of his said enlistment, an inhabitant of *the town of Barnstable in the State of Massachusetts*

and that I do know that he was at the time of his decease as aforesaid, an inhabitant of the said State of Maine, residing in *Vap<sup>a</sup>* aforesaid, where he had resided for *Several* years before his decease. That I have reason to believe, and do fully believe,

that neither my said late husband, nor any one claiming under him did receive, (nor have I received since his decease,) a grant of land, or money in lieu thereof, either from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, or the State of Maine, for his said service, or any other service during the Revolutionary War, and that I am therefore justly entitled to the full benefit of said Resolve.

*Betsy<sup>her</sup> Ewer*  
*mark*

STATE OF MAINE.

*Sumner* ss....Subscribed and sworn to this *twenty seventh* day of *February* 183 *4*  
BEFORE ME,

*Amos Stickney*

Justice of the Peace.

**Know all Men by these Presents, That I**

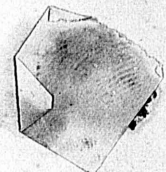
*Betsy Ewer* of *Vassalboro* in the County of *Kennebec* and State of Maine, being the same person by whom the foregoing declaration was made, do hereby constitute and appoint *Geo. W. Moore* of *Augusta* my true and lawful Attorney for me and in my name, to receive from the Land Agent of the State of Maine, such certificate as he may issue to me, in virtue of a Resolve of the said State, passed March 24, 1836, entitled a "Resolve additional to a Resolve, passed March seventeenth, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty five, entitled 'Resolve in favor of certain Officers and Soldiers of the Revolutionary War, and the Widows of the deceased Officers and Soldiers,'" to the benefit of which Resolve I am entitled. And my said Attorney is hereby authorized and empowered upon the receipt of said certificate, for me and in my name, to execute such receipt or acknowledgment therefor, as I might, were I personally present.

HEREBY ratifying and confirming whatever my Attorney shall do by virtue hereof, Witness my hand and seal this *twenty seventh* day of *February* A. D. 183*7*

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED  
IN PRESENCE OF

*Amos Stebbins*

*Betsy Ewer*  
mark



**STATE OF MAINE.**

*Kennebec* ss. **Be it Known, that on this** *Twenty seventh* day of *February* 183*7*, before the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace for said County, personally appeared *Betsy Ewer* above named, and acknowledged the foregoing power of Attorney by her signed, to be her free act and deed.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto subscribe my name the day and year last above mentioned.

*Amos Stebbins*

Justice of the Peace.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts

I Jonathan Ewer, aged sixty four years, born in Barnstable, Massachusetts, but now resident in Vassalboro' in the District of Maine, a Citizen of the United States, upon oath testify and declare, that in July 1780 I enlisted as a private soldier, in the war of the Revolution, against the common enemy, for the period of six months in Captain Readings Company and Col Bradfords Regiment of the Massachusetts Line or troops. This period I fully served out and took my discharge at Orangetown New Jersey in December 1780 - My discharge is lost and not in existence to my knowledge - In May 1781 I again enlisted into the same service and upon the same establishment as a private soldier, in Capt Fox's Company and Col Jacksons regiment of the Massachusetts Line, for the period of three years; I served therein until June 1783, when I procured one of the During of the war men to take my place, who was accepted by my officers as my substitute, and then took my final and honorable discharge from the Army, near New Windsor in June 1783 - my discharge I forwarded a number of years since to the Pay Office at Boston, and presume that it is now in said Office - As none of the Officers under, or soldiers with whom I served reside near me, the above facts are the only evidence of my service in my power to furnish at this time - From my reduced circumstances in life I am in need of assistance from my Country for support - And I hereby relinquish all my claim to any pension heretofore allowed me by the laws of the United States, if any, but I am not to my knowledge borne on any pension list for the District of Maine

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I was discharged as belonging to Capt Hobbey's  
Company, of the 3<sup>d</sup> Regiment Massachusetts Line  
Jon<sup>a</sup> Ever

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Kennebec Co

On the 27<sup>th</sup> day of April A.D. 1818 Jonathan  
Ever above named, after having been carefully ex-  
-amined, made oath to the truth of the foregoing  
declaration by him subscribed

Before me Nathan Weston jun<sup>r</sup>  
Chief Justice C Court C  
Pleas, second Eastern Circuit

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

To the Honorable the Secretary of the Depart-  
-ment of War of the United States.

I The Subscriber, being Chief Justice of the Circuit  
Court of Common Pleas, for the second Eastern Circuit  
of Massachusetts, embracing the Counties of  
Lincoln, Kennebec and Somerset, do hereby cer-  
-tify to your Honor, that Jonathan Ever, a  
Citizen of the United States, now resident in Naples  
-borough, in the said County of Kennebec, in the District  
of Maine on the twenty seventh day of April, A.D.  
1818, made application to me to receive his declara-  
-tion under oath, and such other evidence, as was in  
his power to produce; and to transmit the same, and  
the proceedings had thereon, to your Honor; that he  
might be placed on the Pension List of the United  
States, agreeably to the provisions of an Act entitled  
"an Act to provide for certain persons engaged in  
the

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the land and naval service of the United States in  
the Revolutionary war," passed March 18 A.D. 1818  
which declaration, and the other evidence produced  
by the said Applicant, is herewith annexed.

And I do further certify to your Honor, that after  
a full examination of the said Applicant, and a  
careful consideration of the evidence in the case,  
it appears to me that the said Applicant did  
serve as a <sup>private</sup> Soldier in the war of the revolution  
until the end thereof against the common  
enemy upon the continental establishment and  
for more than nine months as stated in his  
declaration aforesaid; and that from his reduced  
circumstances, he needs the assistance of his County  
for support.

In Testimony Whereof, I have herewith set my  
hand, and caused the seal of the Court in which  
I preside, to be herewith affixed, this twenty third  
day of May in the year of our Lord one thou-  
-sand eight hundred and eighteen

Nathan Weston jun<sup>r</sup>  
C Just C.C. Pleas 2<sup>d</sup> E  
Circuit

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Kennebec Co

The Subscriber, Clerk of all the Judicial  
Courts, held within the said County of Kennebec, do  
by certifies, that the Honorable Nathan Weston  
Junior, Esquire, before whom <sup>annexed</sup> the proceedings were  
held, is Chief Justice of the Circuit Court of Com-  
-mon Pleas for the Second Eastern Circuit of  
Massachusetts, embracing the Counties of Lincoln  
Kennebec and Somerset; and that by the  
direction

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In direction of the said Judge, I have affixed unto  
his Certificate bearing his signature, the Seal  
of the said Court in which he presides.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand: Dated at Augusta, in said County of Kennebec, this tenth day of June, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen

John Davis

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

Henry S. Addison

and I do further certify that it appears from a List of final Settlement Certificates issued by John Pierce Esquire Pay Master General & Commissioner of the Army Accounts of the United States deposited in said Office that Jonathan Ewers received three Certificates for \$55.70 due January 1<sup>st</sup> 1782 for \$18.30 due January 1<sup>st</sup> 1783 and for \$80 due January 1<sup>st</sup> 1783.

Henry S. Addison

I certify that Henry S. Addison who is employed by the Land Agent of the State of Maine under a Resolution of the Legislature of that State passed on the 17<sup>th</sup> of March 1835 to obtain from the Pension Office certain Documents & Records has made as full an examination in the case of Jonathan Ewers as the Books and papers of said Office will afford according to the best of my knowledge and belief, dated at the Pension Office War Department the 20<sup>th</sup> day of May 1837.

J. L. Edwards  
Commissioner of Pensions