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# Land Grant Application- Knight, Jonathan (Waterborough)

Jonathan Knight

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Know all men by these presents, that I, *John Knight*, of the County of *Franklin*, State of *Missouri*, for and in behalf of the said County of *Franklin*, State of *Missouri*, do hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original of the same as the same is now on file in the office of the Clerk of the said County of *Franklin*, State of *Missouri*, at the City of *Franklin*, State of *Missouri*, this 24th day of *March*, 1836.

*John Knight* 196  
Res. March 24, 1836,

*La*  
Filed Sept. 22<sup>d</sup>. 1836,

see *John Knight*  
of *Missouri*  
Admitted,  
& Certificate No. 250 issued  
Aug 25, 1837 & sent by  
mail to *J. Staples*

STATE OF MISSOURI

481

*J. Staples*

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the County of *Franklin*, State of *Missouri*, do hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original of the same as the same is now on file in the office of the Clerk of the said County of *Franklin*, State of *Missouri*, at the City of *Franklin*, State of *Missouri*, this 24th day of *March*, 1836.

*John Knight*  
Clerk of the Court

I *Jonathan Knight* of *Waterborough* in the County of *York* and State of Maine, aged *seventy three* 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 17th, 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 enlisted *in 1781 in Capt John Hobby company and in the third Regiment of the Massachusetts line for the term of three years and was honorable discharged at West-Point 1783.*

I do further on oath declare that at the time of my said enlistment, I was an inhabitant of *South Berwick* in the County of *York*.

and was on the 17th day of March, 1835, have been ever since, and am now an inhabitant of the State of Maine, residing in *Waterborough* aforesaid, where I have resided for *fifty* years past. That neither I, nor any one claiming under me, has ever received a grant of Land, or money in lieu thereof, either from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, or from the State of Maine for my said service, or any other service during the Revolutionary War, and that I am justly entitled to the benefit of said Resolve.

Witness  
*C. J. Barbour*

*Jonathan Knight*  
his  
mark

STATE OF MAINE.

*Lumberland* ss....Subscribed and sworn to this *Sixteenth* day of *September* 1836  
BEFORE ME,

*Charles Wooding* Justice of the Peace.

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

*Jonathan Thright* of *Waterborough* in the County of *York* and State of Maine, being the same person by whom the preceding declaration was made, do hereby constitute and appoint *Samuel Staples* of *Portland* 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 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 *September* day of *September* A. D. 1836

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED  
IN PRESENCE OF

*C. J. Barbour*

*Jonathan*  
*Thright*

**STATE OF MAINE.**

*Cumberland* ss.  
Be it Known, that on this *sixteenth* day of *September* 1836, before the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace for said County, personally appeared *Jonathan Thright* above named, and acknowledged the foregoing power of Attorney by him signed, to be his free act and deed.

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

*Charles Handley* Justice of the Peace.

18th of 1841

Dear Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst.

in relation to the above mentioned matter.

I have conferred with the Board of Directors and they have decided to

grant you the sum of \$1000 as a loan for the purpose of carrying on your business.

The interest on this loan shall be at the rate of 6 per cent per annum.

Yours faithfully

J. B. Smith

Received of the Board of Directors of the Bank of New York the sum of \$1000 on the 18th day of 1841 for the purpose of carrying on business.

Witness my hand and the seal of the Bank of New York this 18th day of 1841.

J. B. Smith

Secretary

Bank of New York

1841

1841

Jonathan Knight says he enlisted in the year 1781 for three years  
and served <sup>in the</sup> Company Commanded by Capt. John Hobbs, and  
the Company belonged to the Regiment Commanded by Col. Bull  
the General name was Jackson, and I was honorably discharged  
my first declaration I think was in 1816 and drew one  
eight dollars per Month for one year & ten month and some days  
and then <sup>was</sup> struck of the list

after I was discharged as one of the <sup>three</sup> years men. I took by leave  
of the Commanding Officer the place of Sergeant Jesse Walker  
and <sup>served</sup> out his time which was 15 months; and was honorably  
discharged

Judge Thatcher before whom the declaration  
was read said he sent the discharge to  
Washington with the papers, and is probably  
there now

I Resided at the time of my enlistment in the town of  
Berwick now called South Berwick in the County of York  
I have since been added to the pension list I think in 1832 or 3  
and have drawn a pension of \$53,33 ever since  
There must have been some mistake, or my pension as much as at  
first

John Knight 377  
No. —

4-20

Lot No 20 in No 4, 20  
drawn June 7, 1836

John Knight  
& Benjamin Estlin

STATE OF MAINE.

LAND OFFICE,  
Augusta, Aug. 19, 1835.

N<sup>o</sup> 377.  
I HEREBY CERTIFY, That Jonathan Knight  
of Windham in the County of Cumberland,

by declaration sworn to on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of June 1835.

(See claim N<sup>o</sup> 481.)

and other accompanying evidence has satisfactorily proved his claim  
to the benefits of a "Resolve in favor of certain officers and soldiers of  
the Revolutionary war and the widows of deceased officers and soldiers,"  
approved March 17, A. D. 1835, and that "THE LAWFUL HOLDER" of this  
certificate is entitled, under the provisions of a Resolve additional to said  
Resolve, approved March 16, 1836, to **TWO HUNDRED ACRES OF  
LAND.**

Land Agent of Maine.

~~Wm. H. ...~~  
Exam. & countersigned,  
Wm. Martz



**Know all Men that I,**

of *Windham*

in the County of *Cumberland*

*Jonathan Knight*

being the same person by whom a declaration was made, (which is now on file in the Land Office,) in order to obtain the benefit of the Resolve of the Legislature of Maine, approved March 17, 1835, and entitled a "Resolve in favor of certain Officers and Soldiers of the Revolutionary War, and the Widows of the deceased Officers and Soldiers," do hereby constitute, appoint and make *William Wood* of *Augusta* in the County of \_\_\_\_\_ my Attorney irrevocable, 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 said Resolve, and for me and in my name and stead to bargain for, sell, dispose of and transfer to any person, and upon such terms as he may think best, the certificate which he may obtain for me of the Land Agent as aforesaid, and of my right and interest in and to the Land to which I shall be entitled in virtue thereof and of the Resolve aforesaid. Hereby ratifying and confirming whatever my said Attorney may do for me in the premises.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this <sup>15<sup>th</sup></sup> day of *September* A. D. 183*6*.

SIGNED SEALED AND DELIVERED  
IN PRESENCE OF

*Lewis Hardy*

*Jonathan Knight*  
his  
mark

**STATE OF MAINE.**

*Cumberland* ss.

The aforesaid *Jonathan Knight* appeared and acknowledged the foregoing Power of Attorney to be his free act and deed.

BEFORE ME,

*Lewis Hardy*

Justice of the Peace.

Soldiers of the  
Army of the  
North  
Office in order  
some person by  
of  
IS WORK

STATE OF MARYLAND

LAND OFFICE

1836  
I HEREBY CERTIFY that Matthew Knight  
is the owner of the land described in the  
return of the Survey of the County of  
Baltimore

Know all men that I William Wootch as  
attorney of the within named Matthew Knight  
in virtue of the annexed power of attorney  
do for a valuable consideration sell transfer  
& assign the within certificate to Josiah  
Smith Agent

Witness my hand this 15th day of Septem  
1836.

Wm Wootch atty to  
M<sup>r</sup> Knight

Land Agent of the State

William Wootch  
Josiah Smith

Deposition of  
Jonathan Knight

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I Jonathan Knight of Windham in the County of Cumberland State of Maine do testify and say that I enlisted in Captain Knight's Company for six months under Col. Hayes in 1775 and was in Portland when the said Town was burnt by snow, and in 1776 I enlisted under Capt. Skillins for ten months and served the expiration of the ten months, in 1778 I enlisted in Capt. Partridge's Company for eight months commanded by Col. Gratons Regiment and <sup>was</sup> discharged at the white Plains after the expiration of eight months, and in 1779 I enlisted under Capt. Cabb for three months in Col. Michells Regiment and was at Penobscot when the Defeat took place and was discharged at Salsmouth near Portland October 1779 and in January 1<sup>st</sup> 1781 ~~for three years~~ I enlisted for three years and joined the Continental Army in Capt. Woodbridges Company and commanded by Col. Gratons in the Third Regiment of Massachusetts and was discharged in December 23<sup>d</sup> 1783 at West Point Jonathan Knight.

Attest Peter Morrell  
Guido Hobbs

Cumberland Is May 11<sup>th</sup> 1836

Personally appeared the above named Jonathan Knight and made oath to the above Deposition before me

Peter Morrell Justice of the Peace

whole swifes 5 years & 3 months

To the Honorable William Wedgery one of the Associate Judges of the Circuit Court of Common Pleas for the first Eastern Circuit of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Respectfully Shews.

Jonathan Knight of Wincham in the Maine District that he served as a private Soldier in the war of the Revolution two years and eight months in the Continental establishment, that he yet is a resident Citizen of the United States at \_\_\_\_\_ a private and that by reason of your applicants reduced circumstances in life he is in need of assistance from his Country for support being now sixty two years of age

And your applicant farther represents, that in the Service aforesaid, he belonged in his said capacity of a private Soldier in Capt Woodruges Company of the third Regiment, commanded by Col Greator of the Massachusetts Line, that he entered said service on or about the tenth day of January one thousand seven hundred and eighty two and that he left said service on or about the twenty third day of Decem<sup>r</sup> one thousand seven hundred and eighty three having enlisted for three years being honorably discharged after one year and eleven months service after the end of the war. He enlisted for nine months in May 1778 in Capt Parbidges Company Col Greators Regiment & joined the Regiment at West Point & served in the same for nine months and was honorably discharged in January 1779. this discharge has been lost -

Wherefore inasmuch as your applicant, as he verily believes comes under the provisions of the 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 institute 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

at Portland this 13<sup>th</sup> day of May 1818  
Jonathan Knight  
United States of America  
Maine District

It is known that on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of May 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 record of said State Jonathan Knight 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 Jonathan Knight further offered in evidence the deposition of James Brackett which is herewith communicated.

Whereupon it does appear to the satisfaction of me, the said Judge that the said Jonathan Knight served in the revolutionary war as alleged in his application, against the common enemy and that he is in reduced circumstances and needs assistance of his Country for support.

In testimony whereof I the said Judge have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the said Circuit Court of Common Pleas for the County of Cumberland, to be hereunto affixed this 13<sup>th</sup> day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, and of the the Independence of the United States the forty second all which is hereby certified.

Wm Widgery, associate Judge of the Circuit Court of Common Pleas for the first Eastern Circuit of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Cumberland Co.

I the subscriber, Clerk of the Court, 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 hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of said Court this 30<sup>th</sup> day of July A.D. 1818  
George Peabody

I James Brackett of West Point in the District of Maine testify and say that I am sixty six years of age that I am personally acquainted with Jonathan Knight now present and have known him since he was a child that I enlisted with him in May 1778 for nine months that he marched to West Point where he joined Capt Partridges Company Col Greators regiment and said Knight served with me in the same Company till our term of enlistment expired when he was discharged sometime in Feb ruary 1779 we returned together he again enlisted toward the close of the war as I understand for three years, I had a brother enlisted with him and I have always understood & believe that he said Knight served in the army as he has stated in his affidavit He was my neighbor and was absent during the time he has stated himself to be in the army.

James Brackett

Signed and sworn to before me, William Widgery Judge of the Court of Stephen Hutchinson of Windham in the County of Cumberland and Commonwealth of Massachusetts now seventy eight years of age do testify and say that I well knew that Jonathan Knight now of said Windham served as a soldier in the revolutionary war in the company commanded by Capt<sup>r</sup> Christopher Woodbridge in the third Regiment commanded by Colonel Greator in the Massachusetts line that I served in the same company with said Knight and that he enlisted as a soldier in said in the month of February in the year of our Lord seven teen hundred and eighty one and served in said company within my knowledge fifteen months.

Stephen Hutchinson

Cumberland Co. Windham June 7. 1819. Then personally appeared  
said Stephen Hutchinson of credible character and disinterested  
in the facts to which he is sworn and made solemn oath, that the  
above deposition by him subscribed contains the truth -  
Before me

Thomas Amory Debbis - Justice of the  
Peace in the County of Cumberland

I John Brackett of Harrison in the County of  
Cumberland and Commonwealth of Massachusetts now fifty  
eight years of age do testify and say that I well knew that  
Jonathan Knight now of Windham listed as a soldier  
in the Revolutionary War in the month of January in the year  
of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty one and  
we marched together to West Point and the said Jonathan  
Knight joined Capt Christopher Woodbridges Company in  
the third Regiment commanded by Col Gratton in the Massa-  
chusetts line in the month of February the same year, and I served  
in the company command by Capt Daniel Hunt in the tenth  
regiment commanded by Col Supper and I well knew that  
the said Knight served in Col Grattons regiment until the  
month of Decem in the year of our Lord one thousand  
seven hundred and eighty three

John Brackett

Cumberland Co. Harrison June 8th 1819  
then personally appeared the said John Brackett of credible  
character and disinterested in the facts to which he has sworn  
and made solemn oath that the above deposition by him  
subscribed contains the truth.

Before me

James H Chadbourne  
Justice of the Peace in the County of Cumberland

John A. Huntington

Jon<sup>a</sup> Knight 481

~~Jonathan Knight~~

~~Application for leave~~

IN PRESENCE OF  
SIGNED, READ AND DELIVERED

Filed Sept. 10, 1835.

Not found - L.

~~Did not serve copy  
See book of minutes to be  
in Boston.~~

~~Rejected~~

Admitted. Certificate  
No. 377. of Aug. 19, 1836,  
sent J. Hobbs Esq. per mail

Josiah Hobbs Esq.

hereby authorized and empowered upon the receipt of said certificate, for me in my name, to execute  
deceased Officers and Soldiers, to the benefit of which Resolve I am entitled. And my said Attorney is  
"Resolve in favor of certain Officers and Soldiers of the Revolutionary War, and the Widows of the  
as he may issue to me, in virtue of a Resolve of the said State, passed March 17, 1833, entitled a  
Attorney for me and in my name, to receive from the Land Agent of the State of Maine, such certificate  
constitute and appoint  
State of Maine, being the same person by whom the preceding declaration was made, do hereby  
of  
in the County of  
and

James M. Thayer in the County of

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name the day and year last above mentioned.  
to be his free act and deed.  
above named, and acknowledged the foregoing Power of Attorney by him signed,

Justice of the Peace.



I *Jonathan Knight* of *Wintham* in the County of *Cumberland* and State of Maine, aged *seventy six* years, do, upon oath, declare in order to obtain the benefit of a Resolve of the Legislature of Maine, passed March 17, 1835, entitled a "Resolve in favor of certain Officers and Soldiers of the Revolutionary War, and the Widows of the deceased Officers and Soldiers," that I enlisted in *May 1778* as a *private* soldier for *eight* months in *Capt. Patridge's* Company in *Colo. Gorton's* Regiment, that *this period I served out and was regularly Discharged at White Plains*

*that on January 1<sup>st</sup> 1780* I enlisted as a *private* for *three* years in *Capt. Woodbridge's* Company in the *3<sup>d</sup> Mass<sup>t</sup>* Regiment commanded by *Colo. Gorton* and was *honorably Discharged at West Point on the 23<sup>d</sup> of Decem<sup>r</sup> 1783*

I do further on oath declare that at the time of my said enlistment, I was an inhabitant of *Falmouth* *Maine* - but *now am an inhabitant of Wintham*

and was on the 17th day of March, 1835, have been ever since, and am now an inhabitant of the State of Maine, residing in *Wintham* - aforesaid, where I have resided for *thirty* *seven* years past. That neither 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 Resolve.

*his*  
*Jonathan Knight*  
*mark*

STATE OF MAINE.

*Cumberland* ss.....Subscribed and sworn to this *twenty ninth* day of *June* - 1835  
BEFORE ME,

*Lewis Hardy* Justice of the Peace.

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

*Jonathan Knight* of *Windham* - 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 *Josiah Hobbs* - of *Trabonmouth* 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 17, 1835, entitled a "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 in my name, to execute such receipt or acknowledgement 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 eighth* day of *June* - A. D. 1835

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED  
IN PRESENCE OF

*Lewis Hardy*  
*Mark Thright Jr.*

*Jonathan Knight*  
*mark*



STATE OF MAINE.

*Cumberland* ss.

Be it Known, that on this *twenty eighth* day of *June* - 1835, before the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace for said County, personally appeared *Jonathan Knight* - above named, and acknowledged the foregoing Power of Attorney by him signed, to be his free act and deed.

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

*Lewis Hardy*

Justice of the Peace.

*1835 June 28*

*1835 June 28*

*Jonathan Knight*



free

William Howe Jr Esq

P.M. August

(M)

Worcester Aug 10, 1876

as in your former Copies in the  
Case of Mrs. Hays how he explained  
and the case is admitted. The prob-  
a bilities amount to almost a certainty  
that his first term will make up the  
three years - and it is certain that he  
is entitled to the \$50. So that no injury  
is done to the State if by any accident he should  
have been discharged under his 9 months  
enactment before he had served sufficient  
time to make up 3 years.

Your Obedt Servt

W. W. Wood for Exec.

J. H. Hays

per

~~J. H. Hays~~

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Jonathan Knight

Private.

1 Enlistment.

Col. Greators Regt

Massachusetts Line

From 1 April 1778 - 8 Months

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2<sup>d</sup> Enlistment

Same Regt & Line

From 10<sup>th</sup> January 1782.

To 23. December 1783.

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*[Faint, mostly illegible handwritten text, possibly bleed-through from the reverse side of the page.]*

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I Certify that it appears from a List of final Settlement Certificates  
issued by John Pierce, Esq. Pay Master General and Commy.  
Service of the Army accounts of the United States, that Jonathan  
Bright received Three Certificates two dated 1 May 1784. one  
for \$8.52 another for \$80, both due January 1. 1783. and another  
for \$75.42. due 1 January 1784. dated 1 March 1784.

Thos. L. Beale

Oct. 15. 1855.

Handwritten notes and signatures, including names like "Bright" and "Beale", and some numbers.

I certify that the foregoing pages are truly copied from the original  
papers on file in the Pension Office  
Pension Office, December 12th 1836

Dyer Castor:

Clerk employed to copy papers for the Land Office, Agent of Maine

I certify that Dyer Castor who has signed  
the above certificate is employed for the aforementioned purpose, and  
that full faith and credit are due to his certificate

J. L. Edwards

To the Hon. William Widgery one of the Associate Judges of the Circuit Court of Common Pleas for the first Eastern Circuit of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Respectfully Shows...

Jonathan Knight of Wadsworth in the Maine District, that he served as a private soldier in the war of the revolution two years and eight months in the Continental Establishment, that he got in a resident Citizen of the United States at Apswick, and that by reason of your applicants reduced Circumstances in life, he is in need of assistance of his country for support, being now sixty two years of age. And your applicants further represent, that in the service aforesaid, he belonged in his said capacity of a private soldier in Capt. Woodbridge's Company of the Third Regiment Com-manded by Col. Greaves of the Massachusetts Line, that he entered the service on or about the tenth day of Jan-uary one thousand seven hundred and eighty two and that he left said service on or about the twenty third day of December one thousand seven hundred and eighty three. Having enlisted for three years and being honorably dis-charged after one year and eleven months service after the end of the war. He enlisted for nine months in May 1778 in Capt. Partridge's Company, Col. Greaves capt & joined the regt at West Point and served in the same for nine months and was honorably discharged in January 1779. His dis-charge has been lost. Wherefore, inasmuch as your appli-cant, as he verily believes, comes under the provisions of the 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 institute 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 in the pension list of the United States.

Dated at Portland, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of May 1818.  
(Signed) Jonathan Knight

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United States of America, Maine District, &c. Be it known, that on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of May one thousand eight hundred and eight-  
 teen, personally came before me William Wedgery, 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 record  
 of said State, Jonathan Knight the above named Applicant,  
 and made oath that the several statements by him made in  
 the foregoing application by him signed are true, and that  
 said Jonathan Knight further offered in evidence the de-  
 position of James Brackett which is herewith Communicated,  
 Whereupon it does appear to the satisfaction of me the said  
 Judge that the said Jonathan Knight served in the war in  
 the Revolutionary War as alleged in his application, against the Com-  
 mon enemy, and that he is in reduced circumstances and  
 needs assistance of his Country for support in his old age,  
 I the said Judge, have herunto set my hand and affixed  
 the seal of the said Circuit Court of Common Pleas for the  
 County of Cumberland, to be herunto affixed, this 13<sup>th</sup> day  
 of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hun-  
 dred and eighteen, and of the Independence of the United  
 States the forty-seventh, all of which is hereby certified and  
 transmitted - W<sup>m</sup> Wedgery, Associate Judge of the Circuit

350 words

Ed. B.

Court of Common Pleas for the Eastern Circuit of the  
 Commonwealth of Massachusetts

I James Brackett of Westbrook in the District of Maine, testify  
 and say that I am forty six years of age, that I am personally  
 acquainted with Jonathan Knight now present & have known  
 him since he was a child, that I enlisted with him in  
 May 1778 for nine months, that we marched to West Point  
 where we joined Capt Partridge's Company, Col Greator's Regt.  
 and said Knight served with me in the same Company  
 till our term of enlistment expired when we were discharged  
 some time in February 1779; we returned together - He again

enlisted towards the close of the war as I understood for three  
 years, I had a brother enlisted with him, and have always  
 understood & believe that he said Knight served in the Army  
 as he has stated in his affidavit - He was my neighbor and  
 was absent during the time he has stated himself to be in  
 the Army. - (Signed) James Brackett  
 Signed and sworn to before me W<sup>m</sup> Wedgery Judge

271 words

I John Brackett of Harrison in the County of Cumberland  
 and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, now fifty eight years of  
 age do testify and say that I well know that Jonathan  
 Knight now of Windham listed as a Soldier in the revolutionary  
 War in the month of January in the year of our Lord one thou-  
 sand seven hundred and eighty one and we marched together to  
 West Point and the said Jonathan Knight joined Capt Christopher  
 Woodbridge's Company in the Third Regt. Commanded by Col Greator  
 in the Massachusetts Line in the month of February the same year, and  
 I served in the Company Commanded by Captain Lunt in the tenth  
 Regiment Commanded by Col. Tupper; and I well know that  
 the said Knight served in Col. Greator's Regt. until the month  
 of December in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred  
 and eighty-three. (Signed) John Brackett

Cumberland Co. Harrison June 5<sup>th</sup> 1789. Then personally appeared  
 the said John Brackett of credible Character and demonstrated  
 in the facts to which he has sworn and made solemn oath  
 that the above depositions by him subscribed contain the truth.  
 Signed Me. James H. Chadbourne, Jus. of the Peace in the County  
 of Cumberland.

I Stephen Hutchinson of Windham in the County of Cumberland  
 and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, now twenty eight years  
 of age do testify and say that I well know that Jonathan  
 Knight now of said Windham served as a Soldier in the  
 revolutionary War in the Company Commanded by Captain  
 Christopher Woodbridge in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Regt. Commanded by Col  
 Greator in the Mass<sup>ts</sup> Line, that I served in the same Company  
 with him said Knight, and that he entered as a Soldier in  
 said Company in the month of July in the year of our

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Lord Seventeen Hundred and Eighty one, and found in  
said Company within my knowledge fifteen months.

(signed) Stephen Hutchinson

Cum gratia J. Woodhams Esq. June 7<sup>th</sup> 1819. Then personally appeared  
said Stephen Hutchinson of Credible Character and veracity  
sworn in the facts to which he has sworn, and made  
solemn oath that the above deposition by him subscribed  
contains the truth. (signed) Thomas Amey Dobbis.

State of the Peace in the County of Cumberland

I Certify that the foregoing pages numbered from one to four  
inclusive, are truly Copies from the originals on file in the  
Pension Office, War Department, and I do further Certify that  
it appears from the records of Revolutionary Service of Colonel  
Greene's Regiment, Massachusetts Line, deposited in said Of-  
fice, that Jonathan Knight enlisted in Captain Patridge's Com-  
pany on the 1<sup>st</sup> of April 1778 for Eight months. Date of  
Discharge not stated. And I do further Certify that it ap-  
pears from a Muster roll of Captain Woodbridge's Company,  
Colonel Greene's Regiment, Massachusetts Line, for the month  
of June 1782, that Jonathan Knight is therein Mustered for  
Twenty nine months and fifteen days. This is the latest  
Muster roll of said Company on file in the Pension Office.

By C. L. Beale.

October 15<sup>th</sup> 1835.

I Certify that Benjamin L. Beale, 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 17<sup>th</sup>  
day of March 1835, to obtain from the Pension Office, and  
then documents and records, has made a full and examination  
in the case of Jonathan Knight, in the Books and Papers  
of said Office will allow, according to the best of my  
Judgment and belief stated at the Pension Office, War  
Department, the fifteenth day of October one thousand and eight  
hundred and thirty five

J. L. Edwards

Commissioner of Pensions

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I Jonathan Knight of Waterborough in the County  
of York & State of Massachusetts, declare that  
in the fall of the year 1781 I enlisted in Cap-  
tain Hobbs Company in the Regiment Command-  
ed being the third<sup>rd</sup> Massachusetts  
Line on the Continental Establishment, We  
joined the Army at West Point, in New York  
I then was stationed in what was called the  
New Boston Huts where we all had the small  
pox, I remained there during the winter,  
then I was marched to Philadelphia, I was  
there three or four months, then I returned  
to the Army on the North River, where we made  
our head quarters till I was discharged on  
the 30<sup>th</sup> day of June 1784. as will appear by  
General Jacksons written discharge hereto re-  
ferred I farther declare I have not property  
sufficient to afford me a living & the  
support of the Government, & am a Citizen  
of the United States.

Jonathan Knight

April 13<sup>th</sup> 1818.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts J.S.

Be it known that on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of April 1818  
before me the subscriber one of the Justices  
of the Supreme Judicial Court of the Common-  
wealth of Massachusetts, personally appeared  
the above named Jonathan Knight & being  
duly sworn made oath to the truth of the  
foregoing declaration by him in my presence  
subscribed, in order to obtain the provisions  
made by the late Act of Congress intitled  
An Act to provide for certain persons engaged  
engaged.

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engaged in the land & naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War, which declaration being signed and sworn to as aforesaid, I George Thacher one of the Justices do certify that it appears to my satisfaction that the said Jonathan Knight did serve in the Revolutionary - on the Continental Establishment against the Common Enemy as stated in his declaration & that he is in reduced Circumstances & stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support; And I now transmit the proceedings and testimony laid before me to the Secretary of the Department of War pursuant to the directions in the Act of Congress aforesaid.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the seal of said Court to be hereunto affixed this twenty sixth day of June In the year of our Lord eighteen hundred & Eighteen  
George Thacher

Jonathan Knight Soldier in the American Regiment being enlisted for three years is hereby honourably discharged from the service of the United States Given in the State of New York the 30<sup>th</sup> day of June 1784.

H Jackson 18<sup>th</sup> Genl  
By the Generals Command  
C Seldon Capt & Adj

Registered in the Books of the Regiment  
C Seldon. Adjutant

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# State of Maine

County of York for Town of Alfred, on this twenty fourth day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two before Jeremiah Goodwin of said Alfred, a Justice of the Peace & of the Quorum, as also a Notary Public within & for the County of York aforesaid personally appeared Jonathan Knight of the Town of Waterborough in said County of York, who being sworn according to law doth on oath declare that he is about seventy years of age, and doth make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States in the Revolutionary Army under the following Officers and served as hereinafter stated, to wit; that he enlisted in the Army of the United States at Berwick in the said County of York, about the month of December in the year 1780 or perhaps 1781 for the period of three years, (with what Officers he enlisted is not recollected) and served as a private soldier in the Company commanded by <sup>Captain John Holly in the Regiment</sup> ~~Commanded~~ by Colonels Jackson & Hull in the Massachusetts Line on the Continental Establishment that he continued to serve in said Corps till sometime in the year seventeen hundred and eighty four, when he was honorably discharged from said service at West Point in the State of New York.

And he further declares that under the law of the 18<sup>th</sup> March 1818, (at which time he was

and

and ever since has been a resident Citizen of the United States at said Waterborough) his name has been placed on the Pension List, Maine Agency, and dropped therefrom on account of his property; that his original application for pension was made on or about the 13<sup>th</sup> April 1818, on which application a Pension Certificate was granted him, numbered 5,496 and at which application, as evidence of his service, his original Discharge from the service was forwarded to the United States War Department. That under the Act of May 1<sup>st</sup> 1830, by which his pension was discontinued, he again applied February 13<sup>th</sup> 1829, for restoration, but failed of being restored; and that his original Pension Certificate, as aforesaid has been lost or mislaid, not having seen it for ten years past.

And he hereby relinquishes all claims what-  
-ever to a pension or annuity, except under  
the present application; and declares he  
has drawn no pension money since 1820, when  
his name was stricken off as aforesaid.

And he further swears, that he is the identical  
Jonathan Knight named in the original pen-  
-sion Certificate, before referred to; that he  
resided in the Town of Berwick in the County  
of York aforesaid, at the time of his enlistment  
as aforesaid in 1780 or 1781; and that since  
about 1787 he has resided in said Waterborough

witness  
Amos J. Howard  
John L. Grant  
Jonathan <sup>his</sup> Knight  
mark

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Book 4. Be it known, that on this twenty fourth day  
day of July, A.D. 1829, before the subscriber, a Justice  
of the Peace & of the Quorum and a Notary Public  
within & for said County of York residing at Alfred  
personally came the aforesaid Jonathan Knight  
the Applicant to me well known and made  
solemn oath in due form of law to the foregoing  
declaration by him subscribed in presence of  
two witnesses beside myself and I hereby cer-  
tify upon honor, that I have known the said  
Jonathan Knight who resides seven or eight  
miles distant, for over twenty years, and  
have always understood during that pe-  
riod from him and the neighborhood gen-  
erally, that he was a Revolutionary Soldier,  
and I am positive that he is the same iden-  
tical Jonathan Knight to whom the Pension  
Certificate was granted in 1818 as aforesaid,  
and that I believe him to be about seventy  
years of age, and a credible witness.

In witness whereof I hereunto  
write my name and affix my Notarial  
Seal the day & year aforesaid.

Jeremiah Goodwin Justice of  
the Peace & of the Quorum & Notary  
Public.

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State of Maine

York County ss.

I Jeremiah Bradbury, Clerk of the Judicial Courts for said County of York certify that Jeremiah Godwin, who has certified the annexed affidavit of Jonathan Knight is a Justice of the Peace & of the Quorum and a Notary Public as there stated that the signature purporting to be his is genuine and that full faith and credit are due to his attestations

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix my official seal this twenty fifth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & thirty two.

Jeremiah Bradbury Clerk of the Jud Courts York County



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

Henry S. Addison

I certify that Henry S. Addison who is em-  
ployed by the Land Agent of the State of  
Maine under a Resolution of the Legisla-  
-ture of that State passed on the 17<sup>th</sup> day  
of March 1835 to obtain from the Pension  
Office certain documents & Records has made  
as full an examination in the case of Jon-  
-athan Knight as the Books and papers  
of said Office will afford according to  
the best of my judgment & belief dated  
at the Pension Office War Department the  
day of July 1857.

Geo W. Brewster  
actg Comr. of Pensions