

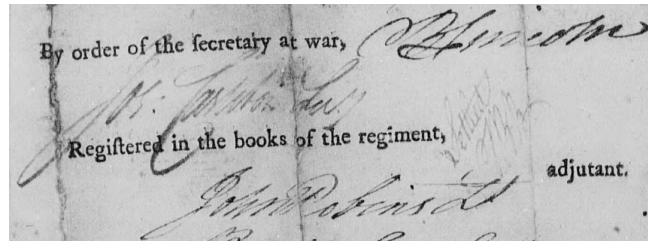
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Pension Application of John Akely (Akaley) S39927 [PA]
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

State of Pennsylvania }
Mifflin County Ss } on the 5th day of May AD 18[18] Before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the court of common pleas in and for the county of Mifflin and state of Pennsylvania, personally appears John Akaley aged fifty five years resident in Fermanagh township in the county aforesaid [now in Juniata County] who being by me first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the late act of Congress, entitled an act to provide for persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War. That the said John Akaley enlisted in the year 1778 on the 13th March in the state of new Jersey in the company of light dragoons commanded by Captain David Plunket [sic: David Plunkett] afterwards by Z. Pike [Zebulon Pike] 4th Regt Light Dragoons commanded by Col. Meland [sic: Stephen Moylan] of the Pennsylvania line – and that he continued to serve in the said corps or in the service of the United States, untill the month of July 1783 when he was discharged at Lancaster Pennsylvania. That he was at the battles of Monmouth [28 Jun 1778] and in various skirmishes on the New York line – and at the storming of the Block House in the Jerseys, by Gen Wayne [possibly storming of Stony Point fort in NY by Gen. Anthony Wayne, 16 Jul 1779] – and also at Yorktown when Cornwallis surrendered [19 Oct 1781] – and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support – and that he has not other evidence of his said services now in his possession
John hisXmark Akaley

THESE are to CERTIFY that the bearer hereof John Akely in the 4th Light Dragoons, having faithfully served the United States from the 13 March 1778 untill the 30th June 1783 and being inlisted for the war, is hereby discharged from the American army.

Given at the war office the 30th June 1783
By order of the secretary at war,
[Benjamin Lincoln]
Jos. Carleton [Joseph Carleton] Sec'y
Registered in the books of the regiment,
John Robins Lt adjutant/ Pennsy Cavalry
[other side] War office, 30th June 1783.



THE within CERTIFICATE shall not avail the bearer as a discharge, until the ratification of the definitive treaty of peace; previous to which time, and until proclamation thereof shall be made, he is to be considered as being on furlough.
B. LINCOLN

District of Pennsylvania }
Mifflin County Ss }

On the 22nd day of August 1820 personally appeared in open court being a court of Record held in and for Mifflin County – John Akely aged fifty seven years Resident in Fermanagh township who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows viz – That he enlisted in Summersett [sic: Somerset] County in the state of NEW Jersey on the 13th day of March 1778 under Capt. Plunket and was shortly after put under the command of Capt. Zebulon Pike of the 4th Company 4th Regiment of light dragoons in the Pennsylvania line commanded by Col. Melon that he continued in the said Regiment until discharged in July 1783 at Lancaster in Pennsylvania, that his discharge was given to the man to whom he sold his [bounty] land and not returned to him that he was in the Battle of Monmoth attack on the Block house in the Jerseys – the Battle of Springfield [NJ: 23 Jun 1780] the taking of Cornwallis as well as many other scrimages that said

Deponant applied for a pention on the fifth day of May 1818 and that it was granted bearing date on the twenty second of December 1818 And No [number not stated] and I do 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 hereto annexed and by me subscribed Viz –

Schedule

one old horse.	\$3.00	Dresser furniture.	\$1.00
one cow.	9.00	one Plough.	2.00
three hoggs.	5.00	one set of Geers.	1.50
one Chest.	1.00	two chairs. . . . .	.25
one table. . . . .	.25	two Iron pots & kettle.	75
Tub Bucket & Churn. . . . .	.75	one Griddle.	25
one Axe & Drawknife.	1.50	two Cevises.	50
two flour barrels. . . . .	.25	Double trees.	1.00
one meat tub & cupboard. . . . .	.50	one hilling hoe.	<u>.50</u>
two scyths.	2.25		\$31.25

Pention from the state of
 Pennsylvania per Annum 40.00

John Akaley the applicant by occupation a Cordwiner [cordwainer?] and owing to infirmity is unable to do more than half Labout that the applicant has a wife aged forty nine years named Eve and three children one aged thirteen years one twelve and one eight years who rely upon him for support

John hisXmark Akaley