

[Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters](#)

Pension Application of Henry Dearborn S46354

NH

Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

State of Maine

For the purpose of obtaining the benefits of an "Act entitled and act for the relief of certain surviving Officers and Soldiers of the army of the Revolution," approved on the 15 May, 1828 I Henry Dearborn, resident of Pittston, in the county of Kennebec, in the State of Maine, do hereby declare that I was an officer in the continental line of the arm of the Revolution, and served as such. to the end of the war, at which period I was a Lieutenant Colonel commandant, of the first regiment of the New Hampshire line.

And I also declare, that I afterwards received certificates (commonly called commutation certificates) for a sum equal to the amount of five years full pay; which sum was offered by the resolve of Congress, of the 22^d of March, 1783, instead of the half pay for life, to which I was entitled under the resolve of the 21 of October 1780.

My commissions are not now attainable.

Witness my hand this nineteenth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty eight

A rectangular box containing a handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Henry Dearborn".

NOTE: Henry Dearborn (1751-1829) is best known as a General in the War of 1812 and as Secretary of State under Thomas Jefferson. He began his Revolutionary War service as a Captain in the New Hampshire Militia and fought in the Battle of Bunker Hill (17 Jun 1775). He then volunteered for Col. Benedict Arnold's expedition against Quebec, where he was captured on 1 Jan 1776 and remained a prisoner more than a year. He joined Washington's army at Valley Forge in the winter of 1777-78 as a Lt. Col., then fought in the Battle of Monmouth (28 Jun 1778). In 1779 he joined Gen. John Sullivan's campaign against the Indians in New York. At the Siege of Yorktown (28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781) he served as Washington's Deputy Quartermaster General with the rank of Colonel.