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Pension application of Nicholas Bartlett S33986

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Be it remembered, That I Nicholas Bartlett, Aged 69 of Marblehead in the County of Essex in the Commonwealth aforesaid, doth make upon oath the following Declaration, to wit,

That I served in the naval service of the United States in the American Revolutionary war -- that I entered May 1st 1776 as first Lieutenant on board the United States Schooner of war *Hancock* -- Samuel Tucker, Commander and was employed cruising against the Enemy until February 15, 1777 -- then left the said schooner by request of the Board of war -- did take charge and command of the Brig *Penet* -- in the service of Government to go to France for military stores proceeded on this voyage and returned to Boston, July 1777 with a cargo of powder -- arms, clothing &c -- for the Army of the United States.

I further testify and declare -- That being in Holland, I entered June 6th 1780, a Lieutenant under Commodore Gillon in the Frigate South Carolina -- in the Naval Service, United States and was employed cruising against the Enemy until September 27 A.D. 1781 -- was then honorably discharged.

That the Declarant is infirm; that from his reduced circumstances in life he is now in need of assistance from his country for support; and that he hereby relinquishes his claim to every pension heretofore allowed him by the laws of the United States.

S/ Nich^s Bartlett

Affidavit

I George Tucker of Marblehead in the County and Commonwealth aforesaid, Marine do on oath depose and testify,

That Nicholas Bartlett -- who has made the within declaration -- was Lieutenant on board the Schooner *Hancock* -- Samuel Tucker Commander and was employed in the United States Naval Service in the American Revolutionary War, -- for the time within mentioned

And I believe that the within written declaration made by the said Nicholas Bartlett is true.

S/ George Tucker

Additional Proof

I, Robert Pierce of Marblehead in the County of Essex, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Sail Maker do on solemn oath testify and depose, as follows: --

I well know Capt. Nicholas Bartlett, who subscribed the annexed Declaration, I well know that he entered the service of the U. States in the American Revolutionary War, that on the first of May 1776 he entered as first Lieutenant on board the Continental Schooner of War *Hancock*, Samuel Tucker Commander, and served on board said Schooner until the 15th day of February 1777, when he was ordered by the Board of War to take the charge of the US Brig *Penet*, and that he went to France and procured a quantity of Military Stores & returned to

Boston in July 1777 with a cargo of Powder, Arms, clothing &c for the Army, and I was myself in the service and knew him at the time & his declaration is true.

S/ Robert Pearce¹

I John Teshew of Marblehead aforesaid testify and depose that the facts stated in the above affidavit of Robert Pierce are true.

S/ John Teshew²

¹ FPA R8029

² FPA S33786