

SERVICE

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Koon
Green Mt. Boys.

Alford, Alexander
Elizabeth
or
Eliza

K 20600

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Vermont

Alexander Alford

of *Colchester* in the state of *Vermont*
who was a *private* in the regiment commanded by
Colonel *Smith* of the *Connecticut*
line, for the term of *three years 1777-*

Inscribed on the Roll of *Vermont*
at the rate of *8* Dollars per month, to commence on
the *10* of *April 1815*

Certificate of Pension issued the *11* of *June 1819*
and *sent to Van Landt & Rock*
well agents Washington City

Arrears to *4th March 1815* *\$86.62*
Semi-ann. all'ce ending *4 Sept 1815* *48*
10 Dec. 25 Sept and *\$134.62*

{ Revolutionary claim, }
{ Act 18th March, 1818. }

Continued

Alexander Afford of Chelchester, in the County of
Chittenden and State of Vermont, aged about fifty
seven years, being duly sworn, deposes and says, that
in the month of January or February 1777 he enlisted into
Captain Titus Watsons Company in Col. Heman Swifts
Regiment, in Gen. Huntingtons Brigade in Gen. Put-
nams Division of the ^{in the Continental Army} Connecticut line, — for Three years
that he served out the full period of his enlistment
and was discharged at some place in New Jersey
but on account of his discharge being lost, he is
unable to describe the place or exact date of discharge
— that during the period of unwar service described
the defendant was used as a Private Person
on the 6th day of October 1777 at the storming of
Fort Mifflin, on the North or Hudsons River — on
board the Pow Galley — called the Lady Washington, com-
manded by Capt Lewis, — and doth further depose
and say that he was in various engagements during
his ~~unwar~~ unwar of three years — doth further depose
and say that previous to his enlistment as above
described, he enlisted in the year 1775 into Capt Gordon
Brownsons Company in Col. Warrers Regiment of the
Green Mountain Boys (as they were then called), and marched
to Quebec where he remained until the retreat of the
Army — doth further depose and say that he is
now poor and in reduced circumstances, and in
need of support, from the Government of his County,
Sworn to and released
Witness me this 10th day
of April 1878

Alexander Afford

Freeman Chittenden, Assistant Judge of Chittenden
County Court

Revolutionary Claim, under Act of Congress, May 1, 1820.

STATE OF VERMONT. }

Whittenden COUNTY, VT. } ON this 28th day of June 1820 personally appeared in open Court, being the Supreme Court, for the County of *Whittenden* and a Court of Record for said County, by act of the Legislature of March B. 1797

Alexander Alford aged 67 years, resident in *Whittenden* in said County, who being duly sworn, according to law, doth on his oath, declare that he served in the revolutionary war; as follows:— Enlisted in Capt. *Mathews* company in Gen. *Putnam's* Division of the Continental troops as soldier more full and at large appears by my original declaration made before the Hon. *Josiah Whittenden* on the 12. day of April 1818 and on which a pension certificate has issued dated _____ and numbered _____

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.

Schedule

1 Cow and Calf	\$16.00
1 Horse 15 years old	5.00
1 Year + 2 Pigs	3.50
One old Table 1 ft. 1 fire place Heater 6 lbs	
Chairs 1 Shovel 2 Hoes 1 Plough and sundry	
Small articles	10.00
	\$34.50

I have a wife aged 56 who is now on a bed of sickness having lost the present Spring one of her eyes — I am by occupation a farmer but having a cancer I am unable to do but very little labour — I have four children living with me viz Daniel aged 32 Eliza aged 29 years Laura Anne (a grand child) aged four years — I am aged 16 years — These children are a constant pill of expense to me —

Sworn to and declared on the 28. day of June 1820 }

(Signed) *Alexander Alford*

Before said Court in open Court

By order of Court Attest *David Russell* Clerk

STATE OF VERMONT. }

Whittenden COUNTY, VT. } : *David Russell* Clerk of the Supreme

Court, do hereby certify that the foregoing oath and the schedule thereto annexed, are truly copied from the record of said court; and I do further certify, that it is the opinion of the said court that the total amount in value of the property exhibited in the aforesaid schedule, is *thirty four* dollars and 50 cents. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said court, on this 30th day of June 1820

David Russell Clerk.

State of Vermont
District of Chittenden ss.

On this eighth day of October, in the year Eighteen hundred and thirty eight, personally appeared before the Hon. the Probate Court for the District of Chittenden and State of Vermont, ~~personally appeared~~ Elizabeth Alford a resident of Colchester in the County of Chittenden and State of Vermont aged seventy three years, who, being first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress, passed July 7. 1838. entitled "an act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows" - That she is the widow of Alexander Alford late of said Colchester, who ~~was~~ was a private as she believes in Captain Watson's company in Genl. Putnam's division in the Continental line of Connecticut troops in the service of the United States during the revolutionary war; but she cannot state how long he was in the service; that he was a pensioner of the United States under the act of Congress passed March 18. 1818 - and to prove his services she refers to his original declaration - and the evidences therewith - and the rolls of the regiment to which he belonged - supposed to be now remaining in the pension office. His name was inscribed upon the pension roll of the Vermont agency.

She further declares that she was married to the said Alexander Alford, at Williamstown in the State of

Massachusetts on the twenty ninth day of August in
the year Seventeen hundred and eighty two; that her
maiden name was Elizabeth Seale, and that her
husband, the aforesaid Alexander Alford died on the
thirtieth day of August in the year Eighteen hundred
and thirty six, at Colchester aforesaid, that she was
not married to him prior to his leaving service, but
the marriage took place previous to the first of January
Seventeen hundred and ninety four - viz: at the time
above stated.

Witness Myself
Charles Russell

Elizabeth X Alford
marked

I have to and subscribed on the day and year above
written, before me, and I certify, that the aforesaid
Elizabeth Alford is a person of truth and credibility -
and that the word "Colchester" on the first page was written
partly on an erasure - and that the word "died" was erased
before signing. Also that the words "personally appeared" on the first
page were erased before signing.

Charles Russell, Judge of Probate.

State of Massachusetts }
Pittsfield County, N.Y. } Williamstown Oct 22 1838.

I Sumner Southworth Town Clerk
of Williamstown State of Massachusetts
do hereby certify that I find recorded in a book, purporting
to be the records of Seth Swift, who was formerly pastor
of the Church in said Williamstown, the marriage of
Alexander Alford to Elizabeth Lease as follows viz

"I married, August twenty ninth, seventeen
hundred and eighty two, Alexander Alford of Rutland
and Elizabeth Lease. Seth Swift."

And I certify that the foregoing is a true copy of
the record, with the exception of the date, which is expressed
on the record in fair, legible figures, as follows: "August
29th 1782."



Sumner Southworth } Town Clerk
of
Williamstown

I, Sumner Southworth above named, depose and say
that I hold the office of Town Clerk of Williamstown
in the County town, and State aforesaid, and that the
above is a true extract from the records of said town,
with the exception above named, as certified by me.

Sumner Southworth } Town Clerk
of
Williamstown

Sworn to this 22 day of October A.D. 1838
before me Charles M. Dewey Justice Peace

2459
William Portney

Elizabeth M. Portney

widow of Alexander Portney

who served in the Revolutionary

war, as a Private

of the 1st New York Regiment

Inscribed on the Roll at the rate of

20 Dollars

Cents per annum, to commence on

the 4th day of March, 1848.

Certificate of Pension issued the

16 day of Dec 1848

and sent to

Wm. J. P. Smith

Wm. J. P. Smith

Recorded on Roll of Pensioners and

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Referred

Dec 16/48

Dec. 14, 1923.

A. S. Alford,
425 Sumner Ave.
Springfield, Mass.

Madam:

I have to advise you, that from the papers in the pension claim, W. 20600, it appears that Alexander Alford enlisted in 1775 and served as a private in Captain Gideon Brownson's Company, Colonel Warner's Regiment of Green Mountain Boys and was in the expedition to Quebec.

He enlisted in January or February 1777, in Captain Titus Watson's Company, Colonel Heman Swift's Connecticut Regiment, was at the storming of Fort Montgomery and other engagements, names not given, and served three years.

He was allowed pension on his application executed April 10, 1818, while living at Colchester, Chittenden Co. Vermont aged 67 years. He died there August 13, 1836.

He married at Williamstown, Massachusetts, August 29, 1782, Elizabeth, or Eliza Leago. She was allowed pension on her application executed October 8, 1838, while living at Colchester, Vermont, aged 73 years.

In 1820, the following children were referred to: Jane aged 16 years, Daniel aged 12 years and Eliza aged 9 years, and a grandchild Laura Ann —, aged 4 years.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.