

## **Revolutionary War Pension Files**

The pension act of 1838 enabled widows of revolutionary war soldiers to apply for pensions. The files contain information about these women's lives and their husbands during and after the war. The following file is the application of Abiah Hubbell, widow of David Hubbell (ME440). David was one of six sons of Nehemiah Hubbell (ME146), grandson of Stephen (ME31) and great grandson of Samuel Hubbell Sr (ME5).

David was injured during his enlistment, enabling him to receive an invalid's pension after the war. After his death, Abiah received a veteran's pension based on the following application.

Connecticut 938

Abiah Hubbell

widow of David Hubbell

who died on the 5. April 1820

of Fairfield Co. in the State of Connecticut

who was a Private in the commanded

by Captain of the commanded

by *Conn* in the Revolution

time for 18 months

Inscribed on the Roll of Connecticut

at the rate of 60 Dollars ———— Cents per annum

to commence on the 1st day of March, 1831.

Certificate of Pension issued the 29<sup>th</sup> day of May  
1837 and sent to New-Y.,  
Tomlinson, Prescut.

Arrears to the 1st of March '37	360.00
Semi-ant. allowance ending 4 Apr. "	30.00

\$ 390.00

{ Revolutionary Claim,  
Act July 4, 1836,  
Section the 3 — }

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Disability; Strained himself by lifting a log, while employed in building a hut.

Where disabled; Highlands.

Residence; Westington

To what pension entitled; One-half.

Remarks; Enlistment unknown; discharged December 9, 1782.

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Residence; Huntington.

To what pension entitled; One-half.

Remarks; Enlistment unknown; discharged  
December 9, 1782.

Evidence complete.

State of Connecticut  
County of Fairfield By Bridgeport  
On this 24 day of January 1837  
personally appeared before the Probate Court  
in and for the District of Stratford in Fairfield  
County & State aforesaid, Abiah Hubbell of  
Monroe in the County of Fairfield and State  
of Connecticut aged seventy eight 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 4<sup>th</sup> 1836.

That she is the widow of David Hubbell (Deceased)  
Monroe who was a private in the Army of the  
Revolution and entered the service according  
to the best of her knowledge and belief in the  
Spring of 1775. And from the Deposition of  
Isaac Hubbell his brother who served with him  
she believes that he enlisted in the Town of  
Stratford in said County in Capt Beardslaps  
Company of foot in Genl. Woosters Brigade and  
went to the Northward and was at the taking  
of St Johns Fort. always understood her husband  
to say that he enlisted first for 7 months and  
that time was out he enlisted again for 5 months  
and served until the Spring of 1776 in or near  
Canada & whether he served 5 months in the  
same company or not she cannot say.  
but frequently since the War heard her husband  
say he served faithfully under 2 Enlistments  
One year, remembering it was warm weather  
when he came home although she was not  
then married to him she lived near Neighbors  
to him when <sup>he</sup> entered service & when he returned

State of Connecticut

Count of Fairfield & Bridgeport

On this 24 day of January & 1837 personally appeared before the Probate Court in and for the District of Stratford in Fairfield County & State of foresaid, Abiah Hubbell of Monroe in the County of Fairfield and State of Connecticut aged seventy eight years who being first duly sworn according & Lord 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 4th 1836.

That she is the widow of David Hubbell Dec'd of Monroe who was a private in the Army of the Revolution and entered the service according to the best of her knowledge and belief in the spring of 1775. And from the Deposition of Isaac Hubbell his brother who served with him she believed, that he enlisted in the Town of Stratford in sd County in Capt Beardsley's Company of foot in Genl. Wooster's Brigade and went to the Northward and was at the taking of St. Johns Fort\*\* Always understood her husband to say that he enlisted first for 7 months and that time was out he enlisted again for 5 months and served until the spring of 1776 in or near Canada and whether he served sd 5 months in the same company or not she cannot say. but frequently since the War heard her husband Say he served faithfully under sd Enlistments. One year, remembering it was warm weather when he came home although she was not then married to him she lived near [ ] to him when he entered sd service & when he returned.

\*\* The siege of Fort St Jean (September 17 to November 3, 1775 was conducted by American Brigadier General Richard Montgomery on the town and fort of Saint-Jean, also called St John or St John's in the British province of Quebec during the Revolutionary War.

home in the Spring of 1776. and after heard his  
husband say that Isaac Hubbell whose Deposition  
is annexed served with him in d Campaign  
to the Northward, thinks he had a written discharge  
from this campaign which she thinks was  
sent with his Pension Application to Washington  
for an Invalid Pension

That in the Spring of 1779 & after she was married  
to him he joined a company either as a volunteer  
or Draft in d Stratford 5 or 6 months service  
and went from d Stratford with d Company  
to Hosenuck on Long Island Sound near the  
lines and served at least Two months when  
he was taken unwell and hired Benjamin  
Chapman to take his place in d Service  
for the remainder of his Enlistment.

And the same Summer in 1779 her husband  
belonged to the militia Company of Hoote of d  
Stratford & Parish of New Stratford in d Town of Stratford  
and went with d Company into service  
in the Town of Saugute in Conn<sup>where d Town</sup> was  
burned and served at least one Week

Also in the Summer of 1780 her husband  
was drafted from d Capt Nichol's Company to  
go to the North River, remembering Capt  
Nichol's went with him and that every man  
was drafted out of his Company to go in said  
Service that she claims her husband served in  
this Campaign at least Two months.  
That the Company of Militia Foot under Capt  
Nichol's -

home in the spring of 1776, and often heard her husband say that Isaac Hubble whose [ ] is [ ] served with him in a Campaign in the Northward, thinks he had a written discharge from this campaign which she thinks was sent with his Pension Application to Washington for an Invalid Pension.

That in the Spring of 1779 & after she was married to him he joined a company either as a volunteer or Draft in [ ] Stratford with a Company [ ] Horseneck on Long Island Sound near the lines and served at least Two months when he was taken unwell and hired Benjamin Chapman to take his place in Service for the remainder of his Enlistment.

And the same summer in 1779 her husband belonged to the militia Company of Foote of Stratford & Parish of New Stratford in Town of Stratford and went with Company into service in the Town of Hartford in Con- was burned and served at least one Week.

Also in the Summer of 1780 her husband was drafted from Capt Nichols Company to go to the North River, remembering Capt Nichols went with him and that every Gman was from this campaign which she thinks was sent with his Pension Application to Washington for an Invalid Pension.

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belonged to Col Samuel Whitneys Regiment and  
Genl Gold Sillmans Brigade in d County  
of Hartford but whether the company in which  
he served in the Spring of 1777 belonged to sd  
Regiment or not she cannot say

That in April 1781 her husband enlisted for  
seven months service (thinks it was in the  
Town of New Town in d County when he enlisted  
for this service she cannot remember the names  
of any of the officers nor what company  
or Regiment, but remembers his coming  
home and telling her that he had enlisted  
for 7 months service and she remembers  
that he was stationed in this Campaign  
at West Point on the North River and  
that 2 of the neighbours Jacob & Calib Rowel  
was in service at West Point at the same  
time and remembers they came home  
on furlow and when they returned she  
sent to her husband by Jacob some provisions  
and tobacco who was then on duty at  
West Point - and she further states this  
was the same Campaign in which  
her husband rec'd his wound by lifting a  
heavy log to build a hut, for which he  
rec'd his invalid Pension -

That she thinks he first drew an invalid  
Pension of \$30 per Annum, which was  
afterwards raised to \$60. per Annum  
and about the year 1819 to \$96 per Annum  
and to his Pension papers at Washington  
she refers for proof of his service, but  
as she does not know whether her

belonged to Col Saml [Muterys? Regiment?] and Genl Gold S [Sillamans?] Brigade in [?] County of [Hanfold?] but whither the company in which he served in the spring of 1779 belonged to [2nd?] Regiment or not she cannot say

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husband stated & proved his service or not  
when he obtained his Invalid Pension  
she has now stated what she can remember  
in Relation to his service —

That she now claims that her husband  
served in the years 1775 & 1776 — 12 months  
in 1779 Two months & 1 Week.  
in 1780 Two months  
in 1781 Seven months, in all 23 months  
and one Week as a private Soldier, has  
no documentary evidence to prove his service  
does not know as he ever had a written  
discharge from any campaign, except the  
first, and that discharge she thinks was  
sent to Washington — and as her husband  
was an invalid pensioner she does not  
know as his service was proved when  
he obtained his invalid pension,

That she further declares that she was  
married to the said David Hubbell on the 15 day  
of October in the year Seventeen hundred &  
Seventy seven by the Rev. James Johnson in  
the Town of Fairfield in s<sup>d</sup> County and in that  
part of the Town now called Weston & Parish of  
Northfaul —

That her husband the aforesaid David Hubbell  
Died on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of April 1820 according to  
the Record on his grave Stones, of a lingering  
complaint caused by the wound he received  
in the Army, and that she has remained  
a widow ever since that period as will  
more fully appear by the proof hereto  
annexed —

husband stated & proved his service or not when he obtained his Invalid Pension she has now stated what she can remember in Relation to his service -

the she now claims that her husband served in the years 1775 & 1776 - 12 months in 1779 two months & 1 week in 1780 two month in 1781 seven months in all 23 months and one week as a private Soldier, has no documentary evidence to prove his service does not know as he ever had a written discharge from any campaign, except the first, and that discharge she thinks was sent to Washington - and as her husband was an invalid pensioner she does not know as his service was proved when he obtained his invalid pension. That she further declares that she was married to the said David Hubbell on the 15 day of October in the year Seventeen hundred & seventy seven by the Rn? James Johnson in the Town of [Hanfield?] in [sd?][ County and in that part of the Town now called Weston & Parish of Northfairfield -

That her husband the afforesaid David Hubbell died on the 5th day of April AD 1820 according to the Record on his grave stone of a lingering complaint caused by the would he rcd in the Army. and that she had remarried a widow ever since that [period?] as well more fully appear by the proof hereto annexed -

And she further declares that her name before her marriage to said David Hubbell was Abiah Leavenworth, that she has had Ten children by s<sup>d</sup> Hubbell, who was born in the following years to wit—

John born Nov. 1778. Ruth. November 1780  
Anna November 1782. Charity March 1785  
Sabra October 4<sup>th</sup> 1788 Amavillus May 1792  
Asa April 7 1794 Elisha July 1797. Abiah  
April 1802. Pribbena June 1806 does not  
recollect the day of the month that they  
were all born as they kept no family  
Records of Births—

That her husband was born in the Town of  
Hampden in s<sup>d</sup> County December 1752 according  
to the Record on his Tomb Stone, that she  
was born in the Town of Stratford in s<sup>d</sup>  
County July 6<sup>th</sup> 1758. has a Record of her  
age on an old amount Book made by her  
father— That her husband was living  
in s<sup>d</sup> Stratford when called into service  
and lived in s<sup>d</sup> Parish of New Stratford (now  
the Town of Monroe) until he died—

That he served as a Volunteer by Draft as a  
private Soldier Abiah <sup>the</sup> Hubbell

In presence of  
Isaac Sherman  
Elisha Hubbell

Mark

Sworn to, and subscribed on the day and year above  
written before me

Mark Moore Judge

Attest, R. S. Nichols, Clerk

And she further declares that her name before her marriage to said David Hubbell was Abiah Leavenworth, that she has had ten children by sd Hubbell, who was born in the following years to wit -

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April 1802. Rebbecca June 1806 does not recollect the day or the month that they were [illegible] as they kept no family Record [illegible] births -

That her husband was born in the Town of Hanfield in sd County December 1752 according to the Record on his Tomb Stone, that she was born in the Town of Stratford in sd County July 6th 1758. has a record of her age on an old account Book made by her father - that her husband was living in sd Stratford when called into service and lived in sd Parish of New Stratford (now the Town of Monroe) until he died - that he served as a volunteer & by Draft as a private soldier. Abiah Hubbell [a cross on the page] her mark

In presence of Isaac Sherman

[Elisha?] Hubbell

Sworn to, and [?] on the day and year above written before me Mark Moore Judge Attest, R L Nichols, Clerk

And the said Court do hereby declare  
their opinion after investigation of the matter  
and after putting the intentions, proferable  
by the said department that the before named  
applicant is the widow of David Kabbell a  
revolutionary soldier who served in the States

Mark Moore Judge

Attest, R. S. Nichols, Clerk

I Russell S. Nichols Clerk of the Court of Sessions  
do hereby certify that the foregoing contains  
the original proceedings of the said Court  
in the matter of the application of Abner  
Kabbell for a pension in testimony whereof  
I have hereunto set my hand and seal of  
office this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January 1837

Attest, R. S. Nichols, Clerk

That the said Court do hereby decline their opinion after investigation of the matter and after putting the interrogations thereunder by the war department that the before named applicant is the widow of David Hubbell a revolutionary soldier who served as she states  
Mark Moore Judge

Attest. R S Nichols Clerk

I Roswell S Nichols Clerk of the Court aforesaid do hereby certify that the foregoing contains the original proceedings of the said court in the matter of the application of Abiah Hubbell for a pension in Testimony whereas I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office this 24th day of January 1837

Attest. R S Nichols, Clerk