

SERVICE

NUMBER

Navy Mass.)

Privateer.

(A native of Lisbon)

Frederick Joseph
Jerusha

W. 24. 243.

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as Co. for the
Baldwin July 11th 1848
Set to G. C. Ames, March 17/52.

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Frederick
in the State of Maine

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of the commanded
on the
widow of Joseph Freder
of dec^d late a Marine &
Boatswain in the Revolution

Inscribed on the Roll of Maine
at the rate of 107 Dollars - 33 - Cents per annum,
to commence on the 1st day of March, 1834.

Certificate of Pension issued the 20 day of Feb
1837 and sent Home. The
Grand No of the

Arrears to the 1st of Sept 1836 \$593.04
Semi-ann. allowance ending 4. Mar 37 53.91
\$646.95

Recorded by W. H. Adams Clerk,
Book 7 Vol. Page 17
Revolutionary Claim,
Act June 7, 1838.

6086.

Maine

Joseph Frederick.
mariner

Ship. Alliance. Port. Lander. 20mo
In the army of the United States during the Revolutionary War.

Inscribed on the Roll of the District of Maine
at the rate of — 8 — Dollars per month, to commence on
the 22 of April 1810

Certificate of Pension issued the of Jan'y 1819
and det. R. C. Vose

Arrears to 4th of Sep 1818 4^{mo} 13/30 — 35.46
Semi-ann. all'ce ending 4 March 1819 — 48.00
\$ 83.46

{ Revolutionary claim, }
{ Act 19th March, 1819. }

Stark,

[Signature]

Notification sent December 20. 1820 to
R. C. Vose, Augusta, Maine.

STATE OF MAINE.

PROBATE COURT,
Cumberland County, ss.

Be it Known, That on this *twenty first* day of
October 18*51* it has been satisfactorily proved in open Court,
being a Court of Record, That *Joseph Fiedora*
late of *Shastis Street* was a *Resident* Pensioner
of the United States, and that he died at *Saint Shastis*
on the *month* *day* of *March* 18*52*.

And that *Seneca Fiedora* *Survived him* and *remained*
a widow until the time of her death which took
place October 22^d 1850. and that *William Fiedora,*
Joseph Fiedora, Valentin Fiedora, John Fiedora, Eliza
Fiedora, and Hannah Fiedora, are

the *children* and the only *Surviving children* of the said *Seneca*
Fiedora deceased, and that he left no widow.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto affixed the seal of said Court, and subscribed
my name, this *twenty first* day of *October* in the year 18*51*

Josiah Pierce Judge
of Probate for
Cumberland County.

A
Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the 3^d section of the act of Congress of the 4th July 1836, State of Maine, Somerset County.

On this twelfth day of January A.D. 1837 personally appeared before the Hon^{ble} Dr. Edmund Farnsworth, Judge of Probate of wills &c for said county of Somerset at a special Court of Probate holden at Starks in said county, Jerusha Frederick a resident of Starks in said county of Somerset and State of Maine aged Eighty years (whose maiden name was Jerusha Chase who was born at Edgarton in Massachusetts on the 26th of February 1757) who being first duly sworn, 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 Joseph Frederick late of said Starks deceased who was a Revolutionary Prisoner of the United States under the act of March 18, 1818 on the Pension list roll of the Maine agency and that his pension certificate was numbered 6086. That her said husband Joseph Frederick after her marriage to him enlisted into the naval service of the United States as a seaman or marine on board the public armed ship "Charming Sally" Francis Brown Captain at said Edgarton where he then resided ~~and~~ in the fall of the year A.D. 1776 for a cruise of several months; that he was soon taken prisoner by the English ship Menomuch and with the whole crew carried to England and there imprisoned ^{for treason in Great Britain} more than two years, as he afterwards informed her and was then carried to France and exchanged; that by his account which she fully believes he then shipped again in the service of the United States on board the public armed ship "Alliance" as "Boatswain's mate" under Capt Peter Landais for a cruise, and at Le Orient joined the Squadron commanded by John Paul Jones captured several ships which were carried to France ~~and~~ returned to America.

and served on board the Alliance as Boatswain
and Seaman Purvis until he was honor-
ably discharged at Boston, and arrived home at Edgartown in
the fall of 1780 — That he was on board the
Alliance in the desperate battle with the English
ship Serapis, which ^{was another ship} ~~was~~ captured by the
Bon Homme Richard & Alliance commanded
by Commodore Jones; That his said husband
was wounded in one of his legs in that engage-
ment and was always lame afterwards.
That ^{he} was absent from home for 7 years
and very near ^{from years} ~~nearly~~ from the time he enlisted
and shipped on board the "Charming Sally" till
he returned in the "Alliance", and was discharged
during all which time she supported herself
and one ^{was but five months old when her husband first enlisted}
son who by her labor at said Edgartown
that he had no more money or wages paid him at Bristol when he was discharged and had to
sign his husband's name for support and his own support.
That her said husband suffered extreme hardship
and much cruel treatment both by sea and land
during his imprisonment; and often attempted to
escape, once ~~saw~~ several miles from the prison
ship but was retaken when he got on shore; that
he once undermined his prison walls dug out
and got off ^{and one escape at Plymouth in England} several miles was pursued and recon-
ducted to prison where he had to suffer still more cruel treatment,
that no provision was made for the exchange of
prisoners for more than two years after he was first
taken; That his own sufferings, anxiety and pri-
vation during the absence of her husband were
also very great; That after her said husband

returned home as above stated; he lived at Edgarton
till 1795 - when he removed with his family
to the State of Maine, settled in Stacks
where he died on the 7th of June 1821 -

She further declares that she was
married to the said Joseph Frederick at
said Edgarton on the first day of August
in the year nineteen hundred and seventy four
by the Rev Samuel Kingsbury and a record of
his said marriage was duly made as will fully
appear by the certificate of the Town Clerk annexed;
that her said husband died at said Stacks on
the seventh day of June 1821 and that she
has remained a widow ever since that time
as will fully appear by reference to the proof
hereto annexed, and by the evidence on file in the
War Department in the case of his application
for the pension N^o 6086, that her said husband was born in
in Lisbon in Portugal, and came to America when
he was twelve years old.

Testimony of Anna Frederick
Subscribed and sworn to the day and year above
written by the above named Anna Frederick (who
being old and too infirm to attend a regular Court I
therefore appointed a special Court at her place of
residence where I attended for the purpose, and from
an examination of the evidence and the answers of
said Anna, who is a credible witness, I have entire
confidence in her statements, and I am fully of opinion
that said Joseph Frederick lived as said Anna has
above stated; that said Anna was married to said Joseph
before said death; that she has remained a widow ever since the
death of her said husband.

Return to Wm. W. W.

I Asaiah D. Pease Town Clerk of Edgartown in the
County of Dukes County, Commonwealth of Massachu-
setts, do upon Oath certify that an Examination
of the Records of said Town of Edgartown I find
that Joseph Frederick and Gerusha Pease were
Married the 1st day of August A.D. 1774 by
Rev. Samuel Kingsbury and that a record
thereof was made in August A.D. 1774 by
Enoch Coffin Town Clerk of Edgartown.
December 15th A.D. 1836

Asaiah D. Pease Town Clerk

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Dukes County

I Corneilus Marchant a Notary Public
for said County of Dukes County do hereby
make known, Joseph D. Pease who has sub-
scribed the above Certificate, is Clerk of the
Town of Edgartown in said County and has
made Oath before me the said Notary to
the truth of the foregoing Certificate
at Edgartown aforesaid this fifteenth day
of December A.D. 1836.

Corneilus Marchant
Notary Public.

Fees 2.00
Postage 37¹/₂

return to Worcester

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

I Joseph Frederick aged seventy years, born in Portugal but for fifty four years last past a resident citizen of the United States and now resident in Starks in the District of Maine testify and declare upon oath that in December 1777 ^{or Jan'y 1778} I entered as a Boatswain's mate on board the ship Alliance Capt. Peter Sander commander in the ^{Naval} service of the United States and served on board in said capacity one year and eight months, was in company the ship Boston Richard Capt. Paul Jones commander in the engagement and assisted in capturing the ship Serapis and ship Scarborough two English ships; and I received my final verbal but honourable discharge from Capt. Sander at Boston according to the best of my recollection in August 1779. I further declare that from my reduced circumstances I need the assistance of my country for my support. And I do hereby relinquish all my claim to every pension heretofore allowed me by the laws of the United States if any; but I am not to my knowledge borne on any pension list whatever. I request that I may be placed on the pension list for the District of Maine. Before and after capturing the above ships of war the Alliance while I was on board we took a number of other prizes.

Joseph Frederick

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Town of

On the twenty second day of April A D 1818, Joseph Frederick above named, after having been carefully examined, made oath to the truth of the foregoing declaration by him subscribed.

Before me

Nathan Weston Junr Chief Justice of Court of
Midd. and Eastern Dist.

I William Allen Junior Clerk of all the Judicial Courts of the County of Somerset, Commonwealth of Massachusetts testify and declare that I am well acquainted with the above named Joseph Frederick and from his reduced circumstances he needs the assistance of his country for support; and is a man of fair character for truth and veracity; and I ever understood that he was in the Naval Service of the United States during the Revolutionary war.

William Allen Jr.

Copy

State of Maine.

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KENNEBEC COUNTY, ss.

ON this *thirteenth* day of *June*, 1820,
personally appeared before *in open Court before* Justice of
the Circuit Court of Common Pleas, for the Counties of Lincoln, Kennebec and Somerset,
being a Court of Record for said Counties, proceeding according to the course of the common
law, having original jurisdiction, unlimited in amount, keeping a record of their proceedings, and
having the power of fine and imprisonment, *Joseph Sanderick* aged
Twenty eight years, resident in *Starks* in the County of *Somerset*
within said Circuit, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath, declare that he
served in the Revolutionary war as follows, viz. *in the Company commanded by Captain*
Frygate Williams *and Regiment commanded by Colonel Peter Laniel*
of the line of the State of upon the Continental Establishment, for
the period of *twenty months*,

that his original declaration was made before Judge *Wesdon* on the
twenty second day of *April* 1818; that he is now on the Maine
Roll, and that his pension certificate is numbered *6086*. And I, the said *Joseph*
Sanderick do further solemnly swear, that I was a resident citizen of the United States,
on the eighteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen; and that I have not,
since that time, by gift, sale, or in any manner whatever, 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 eighteenth day of March, one
thousand eight hundred and eighteen; 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.

Joseph Sanderick

The following is a Schedule of my whole Estate and income, necessary clothing and bedding
accepted, viz: *one silver watch and have upon the face*
of another person of the value of thirty dollars
one cow of the value of fifteen dollars two sheep one
one lamb of the value of three dollars fifty cents
one pig of the value of one dollar *the following, besides*
necessary bedding of the value of not exceeding four
dollars one old axe, shovels and two old coats of the
value of two dollars. I have no debts to me that
can be collected, and save as much as one hundred
dollars. The income of the above property does not
exceed the interest of the money I have my occupa-
tion has been that of a farmer, but from age and
infirmity have been obliged to relinquish that
employment long since, and am now able to do
no labor.

My family at home consists of myself, my
wife aged twenty years; but from age and
infirmity she is entirely unable work, my
son Peter, aged twenty years, being very weakly,
is able to do but little work, except the foregoing
and my necessary bedding I have no property
or income whatever. Joseph Smederick

Subscribed, sworn to and declared, both the
oath and schedule on the thirteenth day
of June 1820 before me.

Nathan Westover Jr.
C. J. C. C. Pleas.

True copy,

Joseph Smederick etc
I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the
original oath and schedule filed in the Clerk's office of Hampshire
in the county of Somerset Nov. 8. 1820.
Attest Wm Allen, My Clerk of said Somerset

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Joseph Frederick
Harky

6086

Mar 14

Declaration is to be
made in the court of
the county where the
defendant resides
sent to

Robert C. (Vose), Augusta
Maine
Dec 20. 1820

Washington September 12, 1931

Mr. Leroy M. Coffin
1027 - 2nd Avenue
Cedar Rapids, Iowa

BA-J/LLB

Dear Sir:

You are advised that it appears from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim, W. 24243, that Joseph Frederick (the name also appears Frederic, Fredrick and Fredericks) was born about the year 1742 in Lisbon, Portugal, and came to America when twelve years old.

While living at Edgartown, Dukes County, Massachusetts, he enlisted in the fall of 1776 for a cruise of several months as a seaman on board the ship, "Charming Sally", Captain Francis Brown, but was soon taken prisoner by the English ship, "Nonsuch", and the whole crew was carried to England; he made two attempts to escape but was captured both times and returned to prison where he was held for two years and suffered many hardships, was then taken to Pembeaul, France, and exchanged. He again enlisted at Pembeaul, France, in 1779 and served as boatswain's mate on board the ship, "Alliance", Captain Peter Landais, and at L'Orient joined the squadron commanded by Commodore Paul Jones. The "Bon Homme Richard" and "Alliance" were in a battle with the English ships, "Serapis" and "Scarborough", which they captured with other ships; in this engagement the soldier was wounded in one of his legs from which he was lame afterwards, and reached home in the fall of 1780.

After the Revolutionary War he lived at Edgartown, Massachusetts, until 1795, when he moved with his family to Starks, Somerset County, Massachusetts (Maine).

He was allowed pension at the rate of \$8 per month on his application executed April 22, 1818, at which time he was living in Starks, Massachusetts.

He died June 7, 1821, or in March, 1822, in Starks, Maine.

The soldier married August 1, 1774, in Edgartown, Massachusetts. Jerusha Pease, who was born February 26, 1757, in said Edgartown.

She was allowed pension on her application executed January 12, 1837, at which time she was living in Starks, Maine.

She died October 22, 1850.

Children of Joseph Frederick and his wife, Jerusha, living in 1851:

William Frederick or Frederic, aged fifty-five years in 1851
and living in Starks, Maine

Joseph " " "

Valentine " " "

John " " "

Peter " " "

aged twenty years in 1820

Hannah Brown

aged fifty-three years in 1837.

There are no further data as to children and none to grandchildren.

Very truly yours

A. D. HILLER

Assistant to Administrator