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Peter Dils  
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Abigail Dils and

Peter Dils Pri

Capt Land Cochran

Col Thos Miller

Capt Dawson, Col Chan Nelson

Ent 1st Sept 1814 } 35<sup>th</sup> Reg  
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Battle Plattsburgh

War 1812 } Rev War  
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1812-1814

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O. Abel Jr

Elizabeth town  
N.Y.

Dils  
family



State of New York }

County of Essex } ss: On this eighth day  
of May A.D. one thousand eight hun-  
dred and fifty six personally appeared before  
me a Justice of the Peace, within and for  
the County and State aforesaid Abigail Ditts,  
aged 48 years a resident of the Town of Au-  
sable in the County of Clinton and State of  
New York, who being duly sworn according to  
law, declares that she is the widow of Peter  
Ditts, deceased, who was a private in the Com-  
pany Commanded by Captain ~~Bartholomew~~  
Cochran, in the thirty ~~fourth~~ <sup>fourth</sup> regiment of New-  
York Militia, Commanded by Thomas  
Milled in the war with Great Britain  
declared by the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day  
of June 1812, and that her said husband  
volunteered at Peru, on or about  
the ~~fourth~~ first day of September 1814 & con-  
tinued in actual service in said war for  
the term of fourteen days, that he did ac-  
tual service at the battle of Plattsburgh on  
the eleventh day of September A.D. 1814. in  
said Company and was honorably dis-  
charged at Plattsburgh on or about the 14<sup>th</sup>  
day of September A.D. 1814.

And the said Abigail Ditts further de-  
clares that her said husband, Peter Ditts was

a private in the Company Commanded by  
Captain Dawson, in the  
regiment Commanded by Colonel Cham-  
berlain, in the Revolutionary war  
with Great Britain Declared on the 4<sup>th</sup>  
Day of July 1776, and that her said hus-  
band enlisted at Trenton, in  
the State of ~~Connecticut~~ <sup>New Jersey</sup> on or about the  
fifteenth Day of August 1776  
for the term of four years, and  
Continued in actual service in said war  
for the term of four years and during  
said war, that her said husband Peter  
Dills was during his minority or some  
part thereof recognized by the name of Peter  
Houtsel, that for four years during  
said war he acted as waiter for said  
Captain Dawson, who had during  
some part of ~~his~~ <sup>the</sup> minority of the said Pe-  
ter the guardianship and control of him the  
said Peter, and was known & recognized  
by the name of Peter Houtsel, and  
was as the said Abigail is informed &  
believes enrolled in said Company by  
the name of Peter Houtsel  
that the said Peter Houtsel, did actual  
service in the battles of Monmouth,  
& Trenton -

and was honorably discharged at Trenton  
in New Jersey, on or about the  
15<sup>th</sup> Day of August A.D. 1781.

She further states that she was mar-  
ried to the said Peter Ditts on the 14<sup>th</sup>  
Day of January A.D. 1789, by one Amos  
Bliss a Justice of the Peace, <sup>in the town of Essex State of Vermont</sup> and that her  
name before her said marriage was  
Abigail Wilson, that her said  
husband died at the town of Peru, in the  
County of Clinton and State of New York,  
on the 4<sup>th</sup> Day of November in the  
year A.D. 1831, and that she is now a  
widow, and the widow of the said Peter  
Ditts & that she is unable to state more fully the  
facts <sup>given</sup> <sup>to</sup> the officers of the Revolutionary War.

She makes this declaration  
for the purpose of obtaining the bounty  
land to which she may be entitled un-  
der the Act Approved March 3<sup>d</sup> 1855,  
& requests that her warrant may be forwarded to

Wm. H. Higgins at Keene, New York. her  
In presence of  
J. D. Markham  
Thomas Brummen  
Abigail Ditts  
mark

One Henry Kennedy and Elijah Brown  
residents of the town of Keene, in the State  
of New York, upon our oaths declare  
that the foregoing declaration was sign-  
ed and acknowledged by Abigail Ditts, in

our presence, and that we believe from  
the appearance and statements of the Affi-  
cant, that she is the identical person  
she represents herself to be. Elijah Brown  
George Kennedy

The foregoing declaration and affidavit  
were sworn to and subscribed before me  
on the day and year above written;  
and I certify that I know the affiants  
to be credible persons; that the Claim-  
ant is the person she represents herself  
to be, and that I have no interest in  
this Claim.

Harmon Brewster Justice of the Peace

STATE OF NEW YORK,  
ESSEX COUNTY, ss:

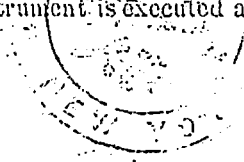
*Mr. Richardson*  
I, ~~E. A. Adams~~ Clerk of said County, and also Clerk of

the County Courts in and for said County, (the same being Courts of Record,) Do Certify that *Howard*

*Praman* Esquire, whose name is subscribed to the certificate of proof or acknowledgment of the annexed *Affidavit of proof*

was, on the day of the date of the said certificate of proof or acknowledgment, a Justice of the Peace in and for said County, dwelling therein, duly qualified and authorized by law to take the proof and acknowledgment of deeds, &c., and that I am well acquainted with the hand writing of the said *Howard Praman*

and verily believe the signature to said certificate of proof or acknowledgment to be genuine, and that the said instrument is executed and acknowledged according to the laws of the State of New York.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said County, this *seventh* day of *July* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty *ninth*

*Mr. Richardson* Clerk.

State of New York

County of Essex John Dils a resident of the  
Town of Wilmington said County being duly  
sworn says that he is as he has always un-  
-derstood and believes a son of Peter Dils &  
Abigail his wife - and was born as he believes  
in the town of Bolton Vermont on the  
20th day of April - in the year seventeen  
hundred and ninety - and was fifty four  
years of age on the twentieth day of April last  
last past. - Deponent further says that he has  
always understood and verily believe, that his mother  
maiden name was Abigail Wilson, and that  
she was married to the said Peter Dils in the  
Town of Essex Vermont, on the fourteenth day  
of January & seventeen hundred and Eighty eight,  
Deponent further says he has frequently heard his  
Father Peter Dils say, that he was a soldier of  
the Revolution, and served three years in Col Mor-  
-gans Rifle Regt, and that he served two years in  
the early part of the war as a waiter for  
Capt Dawson. - Deponent verily believe his said  
Father did serve in the Revolutionary war, as he  
has often stated in the presence & hearing of De-  
-ponent, - Deponent further says that his  
said Father died in Penn Clinton County N.Y on the  
fifth day of November eighteen hundred and thirty one,  
leaving the said Abigail Dils a widow, and she still  
remains such widow, & now resides in Jay Essex Co N.Y. -  
Deponent further says that there is no record of the mar-  
-riage of his Parents, as he is informed and believe, -  
and further, that he has a Brother named Joseph Dils  
who was born as Deponent believe, in the town of  
Bolton Lauen Canada on the 26th day of December 1797 and  
is consequently forty seven years of age - and a  
sister Abigail wife of Stephen Clark of Jay N.Y and that  
as Deponent believe, his said sister, was born at the  
town of Burlington Vermont on the twenty first day of September  
1830, and is now thirty four - years of age -

I sworn and subscribed to before me  
this eighteenth day of June 1844 and  
I certify that Deponent is  
a credible person -  
Dwight Hassetan Justice Peace

John Dils

State of New York

County of Essex p. Abigail Clark - a resident of the town of Jay say - being duly sworn says that she has read the within affidavit, and knows the contents thereof, and verily believes the same and every part thereof to be true. That she is a daughter of Peter Dils & Abigail his wife as she believes, and was born in the town of Burlington in the state of Vermont on the twenty fourth day of September Eighteen hundred & ten - and is their youngest child - she further states that her Parents lived together as husband & wife from her earliest recollection, until the period of her fathers death which took place in Peru N.Y. on the fifth day of November 1831 -

I am subscribed to before me this eighteenth day of June 1844 and I certify that Deponent is a credible witness.

Abigail Clark

Timothy Hasetta Justice Peace

Subscribed and sworn to before me this eighteenth day of June 1844 and I certify that Deponent is a credible witness.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this eighteenth day of June 1844 and I certify that Deponent is a credible witness.

Timothy Hasetta Justice Peace



Declaration in order to obtain a pension under act of July 7. 1838.

March 3. 1843.

State of New York

County of Clinton To Be It known that on the twelfth day of March 1844 before the subscriber a Judge of Clinton County Court personally appeared Abigail Dils to me personally known as a Resident of Jay Essex County N.Y. (within twenty Rods of the Clinton County line), who being first duly sworn according to law doth in her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain a pension under the act of Congress of July 7. 1838. & March 3. 1843. That she is the widow of Peter Dils who was a private in the New Jersey Troops, and served as she believes as follows. - He resided at Trenton N. Jersey & served two years in the early part of the war under Capt Dawson a son in law as she has been informed by her said husband and believe, she thinks he was a substitute for his step father Mr Howell. & that Capt Dawson belonged to the New Jersey Troops. - That her said husband was taken a prisoner by the British at New York. & escaped from them, and went to Trenton N.Y. and enlisted <sup>there</sup> during the war, as a private under Major Morgan, who acted as Col. and Commanded a Rifle Regiment raised as she supposes by the State of New Jersey. That her said husband served in said Regiment as she believes from his enlistment in 1778. until the end of the Revolutionary war. & served five years, and was discharged in New Jersey. & had (as she has been informed by him) an honorable discharge she supposes it was signed by Col Morgan, she does not recollect the name of his other officers. -

She further declares that she was married to the said Peter Dils at the Town of Essex Chittenden Co Vermont by -

Bliss Esq a Justice Peace on the fourteenth day of January in the year Seventeen hundred and eighty eight. Her maiden name was Abigail Wilson, and that her said husband died at Peru in said County of Clinton on the fifth day of November eighteen hundred and thirty one, leaving her a widow, and she has remained a widow ever since that period, and that her marriage took place after the last term of her said husband's service, and previous to the first day of January 1794. viz at the time above stated. -

She thinks her said husband never applied for a pension and was always averse to making efforts to obtain one. - Since the act of 1838 she requested Col Baxter to assist her to obtain a pension, but she never made a declaration. Recently she has been advised to apply to J. D. Woodman Esq of Plattsburgh for professional assistance & she hereby fully authorizes him to act as her

Attorney in procuring evidence & obtaining a pension for her under the aforesaid act - she has no evidence in her possession of her said husband's services, or of her marriage - I sworn and subscribed to before me on the day and year first above written and I certify that the declarant is a credible person and is unable by reason of bodily infirmity to attend Court which sits more than nine miles from the place where this declaration was taken. she is quite feeble & has difficulty in getting about. the foregoing declaration was carefully read over to her before she signed and swore to the same

Abigail + Dils  
 Mark  
 Witness present  
 Griffin Lewis

Josiah J. Ernest Judge of Clinton County Court.

And I further certify that said Abigail Dils is so infirm and out of health at present that she is unable to write her name March 12. 1844

Josiah J. Ernest Judge of Clinton County Court

State of New York  
 County of Clinton I the subscriber Clerk of said County Certify that Josiah J. Ernest before whom the foregoing declaration of Abigail Dils was taken and sworn on the twelfth day of March 1844 was at said time a Judge of Clinton County Court in said County and that his signatures above written are genuine & being acquainted with his hand writing -  
 Witness my hand and official seal this twenty fifth day of March eighteen hundred & forty four -

John L. Rimmer Clerk  
Benjamin L. Rimmer Deput. Clerk

Abigail Dils.  
 Act of July 7. 1808  
 .. March 3. 1843.

State of New York  
 County of Columbia 3  
 On this 26<sup>th</sup> day of September  
 1857, before me, Justice of the Peace, within  
 and for the County and State aforesaid, duly  
 authorized by law to administer oaths, personally  
 appeared legal heirs, who being by me duly  
 sworn, did depose and say that she is the widow  
 of Peter Delt, deceased; that on such widow  
 she made application for bounty land under  
 the act of March 3<sup>rd</sup> 1855, that she has paid  
 applications was numbered 251246. She  
 further declares that she has not received  
 a bounty warrant for bounty land under any  
 act of Congress - and that she has not made  
 any other applications therefor under the pro-  
 vision referred to. She further declares that  
 there is no real evidence of her marriage  
 with the said Peter Delt, in evidence, that  
 the Patent by which she now claims to have  
 title does not date from year 1815; that  
 there are no eye-witnesses to her marriage,  
 living, according to the laws, information or  
 affidavits of depositions - that she has never  
 directed or caused temporary to be made for  
 witnesses therefor, but that there have been made to  
 find any -

Peter Delt  
 deceased  
 wife  
 Margaret Delt

<sup>residents Essex County</sup>  
We <sup>residents Essex County</sup> Henry Kennedy and Stephen Clark  
residents of Black Brook in the  
County of Clinton and State of New York,  
upon our oaths declare that the foregoing  
declaration was signed and acknowledged  
by Abigail Ditts in our presence, and that we  
believe from the appearance and statements of  
the affiants that she is the identical person  
she represents herself to be,

*Henry Kennedy*  
*Stephen Clark*

The foregoing declaration and affidavit were  
sworn to and subscribed before me on the day  
and year above written: And I certify that  
I know the affiants to be credible persons  
that the claimant is the person she represents,  
herself to be, and that I have no interest in  
this claim -

*M. G. Macomber* Justice of the Peace,

State of New York, }  
CLERK'S OFFICE OF CLINTON COUNTY. } ss.

I, FREDERICK W. AINS, Clerk of the County Courts of said County (the same being Courts of Record,) do hereby  
certify that *M. G. Macomber* Esq., whose name is subscribed to the  
Certificate of the proof or acknowledgment of the annexed instrument and thereon written, was at the time of  
taking such proof or acknowledgment a Justice of the Peace, in and for said County of Clinton, dwelling therein,  
commissioned, sworn and duly authorized to take the same. And further, that I am well acquainted with the  
hand writing of said Justice of the Peace, and verily believe that the signature to the said certificate of proof  
or acknowledgment is genuine and that the said instrument is executed and acknowledged according to the  
laws of this State.

In Testimony Whereof, I have herunto set my name and affixed the seal of said Court and County this  
day of *October* — A. D. 185*7* *M. G. Macomber*

138 4/32. April 14/52

Abigail Pitts widow  
Peter Defts son  
Capt Langwith  
M of War

Col Clarke

to	100	100
by	100	100
	<u>100</u>	

At the Station Office  
No Rolls of Capt Langwith  
with M of War  
file in this Office  
not drawn  
July 10/52  
1852

A. J. Gage  
Presnt

1852

Declaration of widow for County land.

State of New York }  
County of Clinton } 11:

On this fourth day of March 1852 personally came before me a Justice of the peace in & for the said County & State, Abigail Ditts aged 85 years, a resident of Ausable in said State, who, being sworn according to law declares that she is the widow of Peter Ditts, deceased, who was a private in a company commanded by Capt. Langworth, Regt. of New York Militia commanded by Col. Clarke, in the war with Genl. Platts in 1812. - that her said husband volunteered at Plattsburg, N. York, in October 1812. for the term of Continued in actual  
service in said war for the term of six weeks & was honorably discharged at Plattsburg on or about the 30<sup>th</sup> day of Nov<sup>r</sup>. 1812. as will appear by the Muster Rolls, - that he did not receive a written discharge.

She further states that she was married to the said Peter Ditts in Essex Vermont, on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of January 1788. by one Amos Bliss a Justice of the peace, & that her name before her said marriage was Abigail Wilson, that her said husband died at Peru, N. York on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of November 1831. - that she knows of no Record public or private of her said marriage or of the death of her said husband: And that she is still a widow.

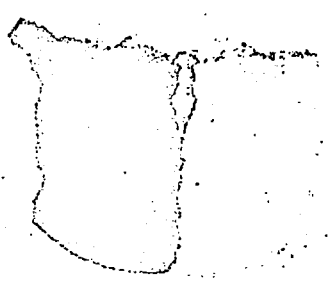
She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the County land to which she may be entitled under an act of April 28. 1850. most having incurred a knowing that she is entitled to any under any former act of Congress.

and that her said Warrant when issued may be delivered to her  
attorney, A. S. Gay Jr. Washington D. C.

sworn to & subscribed  
before me the day &  
year above written

her  
Abigail X Ditts  
wif

Justice of peace (Seal)  
S. Reynolds Justice Peace in  
& for Clinton County



STATE OF NEW YORK, } ss.  
Clinton County,

*J. W. Gunning, Justice of the Peace*  
I, DAVID H. PARSONS, Clerk of the County of Clinton, do hereby certify that

*Reginald R. R. R.*  
whose name is subscribed to the certificate of proof or acknowledgment of the annexed instrument, and thereon written, was at the time of taking such proof or acknowledgment a Justice of the Peace in and for the county of Clinton, dwelling in the said county, commissioned and sworn, and duly authorized to take the same. And further that I am well acquainted with the handwriting of said Justice of the Peace, and verily believe that the signature to the said certificate of proof or acknowledgment is genuine.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said county, the - *31<sup>st</sup>*  
day of *March* 1852

*J. W. Gunning, Justice of the Peace*  
CLERK.

affidavit of witnesses

State of New York }  
County of Chautauq } 11

1852  
Abigail Dilt  
Peter Dilt  
Isa Everette  
Eli Bramley

On this third day of March 1852  
before me, a Justice of the Peace in the said County & State  
Isa Everette and Eli Bramley residents of town  
Schuyler Falls in said County & State, who being duly sworn and  
to law, declare that Abigail Dilt is the widow of Peter Dilt deceased;  
who was a private in Capt. Langworth's Company in the Regt. commanded  
by Col. Clarke in 1812. That they have been informed & believe that  
the said Abigail Dilt was the lawful wife of the said Peter Dilt deceased,  
that they have been well acquainted with Abigail & Peter Dilt for as many  
as forty years past - that they were very aged - & were always called  
mean & wife, were generally reported to be by all who knew them, & that  
they lived & dwelt together as man & wife & they the deponents have no doubt  
of the fact - that they have always understood from those who spoke about  
it that the name of Abigail Dilt before her said Marriage was Abigail  
Wilson: that Peter Dilt died at Peru in the County of Chautauq in the  
State of New York sometime in the year 1831. & that she is still a widow.

That they cannot testify as to the time of the Marriage of Abigail Dilt  
that she is a very aged woman, she says she is 85 years old & from her  
appearance they believe she is. Her husband was a very aged man &  
they understand was in the war of the Revolution - they were of good  
character - & that they the deponents are disinterested witnesses.

Isa Everette  
Eli Bramley

Subscribed & sworn to before me this 3 day of March 1852  
at the County of Chautauq  
certify that Isa Everette and Eli Bramley

are both credible witnesses.  
Hall H. Garrison Justice of Peace



State of New York

County of Clinton, I Abigail Diltz in addition to any former declar-  
-ation to obtain a pension made on the 12<sup>th</sup> March 1842 do swear that  
My husband Peter Diltz has informed me that he first served two  
years as a waiter under Capt Dunsen - & then enlisted as a  
private into Col Moryons Regt Regt - and Diltz was  
killed in Trenton N.J. & enlisted as I believe at that  
place. - He was I believe taken prisoner at or near  
Staten Island & taken to New York, & was in Hospital  
six months as a prisoner - & suffered much for want  
of food. He made his escape from the British

& crossed the Delaware on a raft which he constructed  
& then travelled to Trenton, where Gen. Washington  
Army crossed the river and was engaged in the Battle  
of Trenton. - after that battle he joined Col Moryons  
regt, & served till the war was over. I have heard  
him say he was in the battle of Monmouth  
N.J. -

Abigail <sup>his</sup> Diltz  
witness

Witness present  
Stephan Clarke

Sworn & Subscribed to before  
me this 17<sup>th</sup> March 1847  
J. D. Woodward  
Judge of Clinton County Court

DILS-DILTS  
Family

ated by  
llie Le Blanc

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