

Pension Application for Casparus Bain or Baine

W.1125 (Widow: Mary Gillispy) Married December 31, 1812 by Rev. George Mairs, a Presbyterian, Casparus died October 30, 1835. Clergyman.

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State of New York

Washington County SS.

On this thirtieth day of August one thousand eight hundred & thirty two, personally appeared in open court before John Willard, Charles F. Ingalls, and Benjamin F. Skinner Judges of the Court of Common Pleas now sitting Casparus Bain a resident of the Town of Argyle in the County & State aforesaid, aged sixty nine years (will be seventy the 15th of next month) who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers & served as herein stated.

In the Spring of 1777, he volunteered in Livingston's Manor, County of Columbia & State aforesaid for the purpose of protecting the lives and property of the Whigs from the depredations of the Tories & other enemies & continued upon Sentry every other night during that season until the capture of Burgoine in the fall of 1777 and doing actual duty for the term of six months as a common soldier.

That in 1778 he entered the service for a three months tour as a volunteer for a class of fifteen (of which he was one) who were to stand a draft for one man out of that number—mustered in Livingston's Manor under Capt. John Shaver in the month of August 1778, from thence moved to Claverack and from thence marched by the way of Albany & joined the Regiment at Fort Plain on the Mohawk River under Colo. Robert Van Rensselaer where he remained doing duty during the three months.

That he again entered the service in the spring (he thinks April) of 1779 as a volunteer for a class of 15 as before stated, for a six months tour—mustered again in Livingston's Manor aforesaid under Capt. Gansbeck marched from thence to Esopus moved up the Esopus Creek some 15 or 18 miles where they were stationed in the vicinity of a Block House for about three months, from thence he was transferred to Capt. Shaver again at Fort Plain where he remained doing duty until the end of the six months.

That he then in the year 1780 joined a Malitia [militia] Company commanded by Capt. Philip Smith, Lieutenant Casparus Schult & Ensign Bartle Hendricks all of Livingston's Manor aforesaid and continued with this company doing duty whenever they were called, until the British evacuated the City of New York, during this period of three years & upwards Vizt. Col. was Samuel Ten Broeck, his services during this period were not located for any great length of time at any one point, being often called out in various directions on short tours to quell the Indians. Remembers laying with the Regiment at Stillwater at two several times, one of which they were billeted out—remembers of laying with the regiment at Greenbush—Remembers in the fall of the year he thinks 1782, of a party of about twenty picked men, sent from the Regiment at Stillwater north to about twenty picked about twenty picked men, sent from the Regiment at Stillwater north to Argyle for procuring cattle, from whence they returned with a number for the use of the regiment.

That he believes that all the officers under whom he served as above named are now dead. That he knows of no private soldier in this section of country who was in the service with him that might testify to the facts herein set forth & has no documentary evidence now in his possession, having given up his discharges to Peter Cantine then of Red Hook Dutchess County with home he settled as Paymaster.

He continued to reside in Livingston's Manor in the County & State aforesaid until the year 1784 when he removed to the Town of Argyle at which place he has resided ever since.

1st That he was born at Livingston's Manor aforesaid on the 15th day of Sept 1762.

2nd That the record of his age is contained in the Family Bible now in the possession of his mother in the said Town of Argyle.

3rd He was living when called into service at Livingston's Manor in the County & State aforesaid & remained there until the year 1784 when he removed to Argyle where [he] continued to reside to the present time.

4th He was a volunteer generally when called into service & did duty as such volunteer for fifteen months, & the remainder of the time he was called out with the Regiment to which his company belonged & was in actual service in that manner with his said company for one year & six months & upwards, making his whole time of actual service, two years, nine months and upwards.

5th The names of the officers are as stated heretofore as far as he now can remember.

6th He did receive his discharges & gave them to Peter Cantine as herein before stated.

He is known to the reverend Archibald White a Clergyman & James Harvey, a merchant in his neighborhood who will testify to his character for veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the revolution.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity, except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. (Signed) Casparus Bain

Sworn & Subscribed the day and year aforesaid. J S. Leigh Clk