

### **Pension Application for James C. Bogardus**

W.15878 (Widow: Mary) Married in 1784 by Rev. Wm Blauvelt in the village of Fishkill. James died Oct 13, 1836.

State of New York  
Dutchess County SS.

On this twenty fifth day of September in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and thirty two, personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in & for the County of Dutchess in the State of New York, now sitting at the Court House in Poughkeepsie in the said County, James. C. Bogardus a resident of the town of Poughkeepsie, who being first duly sworn doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he hath no record of his age, but understands there is one in the hands of Abraham Bogardus in the City of New York but which he cannot now obtain.

That he is now aged about sixty eight years, being born in the year AD 1764, but in what month he cannot state.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers & served as herein after stated—That is to say—

That he entered said service in the month of April AD 1782 as a soldier in Captain John Hardenburgh's Company in the regiment of New York State Troops of which Frederick Wisenfeldt was Lieutenant Colonel and commandant of that part to which he this claimant was attached. That of the name of the Colonel of said Regiment, if any full Colonel there was he is ignorant.

That at the time he enlisted into said company he resided in the town of Fishkill in the County of Dutchess where he was born & had always resided, and where after the expiration of said term of service he continued to reside until about the year 1800, when he removed to Poughkeepsie where he hath ever since resided.

That he entered into said service as a volunteer for the term period of nine months and that he continued in said service for & during the whole period of nine months & until he was regularly discharged by Lieutenant Theodorus W. VanWyck who gave him a written discharge, which he hath lost.

That he hath not now any written evidence or documentary evidence of his said service.

That during said period he served as a waiter to said Lieutenant Theodorus W. VanWyck, and that said company was during the period stationed at a place then called Mombocus about six miles from Kingston in Ulster County in detached Corps or small bodies for the purpose, so far as his present recollection served him, for the purpose mainly of protecting the town of Kingston & the adjacent settlements from the incursions of the Indian Enemy.

That during said period he was in no engagement or battle, except that he together with the corps of soldiers belonging to the company to which he was attached, had a skirmish with a small part of hostile Indians then infesting the back settlements in Ulster County.

That James Green who now resides in said town of Fishkill served in said Regiment at the same time and was an orderly Sergeant in the company of Captain Gilbert Livingston who at that time was an inhabitant of said town of Poughkeepsie. That said Lieutenant VanWyck was at the time an inhabitant of the said town of Fishkill. That said Livingston & VanWyck have since deceased, and that he does not now recollect the names of any other officers with whom he served during said nine months, except one Welch who was adjutant of the said Regiment. That a part of the Regiment to which he was attached during said period went to a place then called Pumpton in New Jersey and joined the Continental Army there & that one Henry Swartwout was a Lieutenant in the regular army there as he is informed & believes and that Col. VanCourtland or Col. VanSchaick was acting colonel there according to his best recollection, to whose regiment the part of his regiment which went to Pumpton was attached.

And the said James C. Bogardus does further on oath declare that prior to said month of April AD 1782 he served as a soldier in the United States service in the militia of the State of New York in a company commanded by Captain Isaac VanWyck since deceased. That said company then belonged to a regiment then stationed at a place now called the Village of Fishkill in said Tow of Fishkill which was commanded By Colonel Abraham Brinkerhoff since deceased. That Cornelius Adriance since deceased was first Lieutenant of said company, which company was ordered into service.

That said last mentioned service as a soldier was shortly prior to 1782 but at what particular time & of how long continuance he cannot state further than that he knows he continued in such service until regularly discharged. That it was for a longer period than one month and to the best of his recollection as much as three months of which said service & discharge he hath not any written or documentary evidence nor doth he recollect that he ever had any written discharge—nor is there any person now living to his knowledge, who was in that service with him or who can testify to the same.

That he is acquainted with Eliphalet Price a clergyman residing in his neighborhood whom he saw last evening & requested to attend here this day, but who said he thought his engagements would be such that he could not attend.

That he know Joseph J. Jackson Esquire one of the Judge of this court, Abraham Sleight both of whom reside thing a few miles of him who can testify as to his truth & veracity & as to the reputation in his neighborhood of his having served as a soldier in the War 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.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year first aforesaid. (Signed) James C. Bogardus

Sworn and subscribed September 25<sup>th</sup> 1832. Henry J. Traver, Clerk

Letter in folder dated September 11, 1939, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your letter in which you request to know whether or not this office has record of any Revolutionary War soldier, with the surname Bogardus of Dutchess County, New York.

Without the full name of any particular soldier with surname Bogardus in whom you might be interested, no record could be identified definitely for you. The record has been found of a James C. Bogardus of Dutchess County, New York, which may be of interest to you. His record follows as found in the papers in the claims for pension, based upon his service in the Revolutionary War and on file under W.15878.

James C. Bogardus was born in the year 1764, in Fishkill, Dutchess County, New York. The names of his parents are not given.

While residing in said Fishkill, he served three months in Captain Isaac VanWyck's company, Colonel Abraham Brinkerhoff's New York regiment, dates of this service not given, it was prior to 1782. He enlisted April 1, 1782, served nine months as private in Captain John Hardenburgh's company, Colonel Frederick, Weisenfels' New York regiment, and was in a skirmish with the Indians.

James C. Bogardus stated that he served in the Revolution as "James Bogardus", but after the war signed his name "James C. Bogardus" to distinguish himself from others in the County of Dutchess by that name.

James C. Bogardus lived in Fishkill, New York, until sometime in 1800, when he moved to Poughkeepsie, Dutchess County, New York.

He was allowed pension on his application executed September 25, 1832, then living in Poughkeepsie, New York. He died there October 13, 1836.

James C. Bogardus married sometime in the year 1784, in Fishkill, New York, Mary. The date and place of her birth and names of her parents were not stated.

The widow, Mary Bogardus was allowed pension on her application executed June 30, 1841, at which time she was seventy-four years of age, and a resident of Poughkeepsie, New York.

Phebe, the oldest child of James C. Bogardus and his wife, Mary, was born May 13, 1785, and in 1844 was living in Poughkeepsie, New York and signed "Phebe Hagaman". Reference was made to other children, no names given.

John H. Philips in 1841 was a resident of Fishkill, New York, and stated that he was a step-brother of the widow, Mary Bogardus, and at the same time Phebe VanDewater a resident of said Fishkill stated that she was the half-sister of the widow, and that she married her husband, Adolph VanDewater sometime in the year 1784.