

### Pension Application for Nicholas R. Bovie

S.12275

Nicholas was granted pension of \$80 per annum.  
State of New York  
Chautauqua County

On this 17<sup>th</sup> day of August 1832, personally appeared before the Honorable Benjamin Walworth one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in & for the County of Chautauqua in said State, at the town of Villenova in said County Nicholas R. Bovee, a native of Brunswick in the State of New Jersey, now of Villenova aforesaid, aged Seventy one years, 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That about the first day of February 1777, he enlisted at Schenectady in the State of New York, for ten months, into the company of Capt. Reuben Symonds (1), as a private in the war of the Revolution, & that he was under Gen. Schuyler (2)—That he was mustered & sworn at Albany and was then marched to Saratoga, where he remained under Capt. Symonds, & in the Regiment commanded by Col. Schuyler for sometime, in cutting, loading & unloading logs for public works—he was then sent to Stillwater, and was engaged in carrying provisions and ammunition for the Army at Fort Edward—He was afterwards marched back to Schenectady, where on the first of January, 1778, he was discharged by Capt. Symonds, having then served Eleven Months—

That on the 1<sup>st</sup> March 1778, he again enlisted at Schenectady for ten months, under Capt. Cornelius Barhead (3) in the regiment of Col. Yates (4) under Genl Schuyler (5)—was mustered at Albany & marched to saratoga--& from thence to Coeyman's; thence to Fishkill, where he was discharged on the 25<sup>th</sup> December, 1778, by Capt. Barhead.

That afterwards, & he does not recollect the particular times, he served in the militia under Ensign Beverly (6) of Florida N.Y. Ensign Van Vechten (7) of Florida & Capt. McMasters of Florida, between five & six months, being classed & performing the service at different times.—

Militia, under Ensign Beverly, I was mainly engaged in garrison.

That in the whole he served about twenty five months—He was present & in the battle when Col. Brown (8) was killed, fighting against Sir William Johnson [Sir John Johnson, Sir William was dead before the war began] & the Indians—Col. Dubois then commanded the Regiment in which he served.

That he has no Documentary evidence of his service, and that he knows of no person, whose testimony he can procure, who can testify at his service—

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to an annuity or pension, except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. (Signed with his mark) Nicholas R. Bovee.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year first aforesaid before me.

Walworth, Judge B.Com. Pleas. Chau[tauqa]

State of New York  
Chautauqua County SS.

I, Nicholas R. Bovee before named do hereby, on oath testify & say, in addition to what was herein before stated by me, on the 17<sup>th</sup> August 1832, that I cannot be more particular as to my services under Captains Symonds & Barhead.—When I was out in the Militia, under Ensign Beverly, I was mainly engaged in Garrison at Johnstown, N.Y. and when under Ensign Van Vechten I was also principally engaged in Garrison duty at the same place—and when under Capt. McMasters, (Col. Vischer commanding the Regiment), I was part of the time doing Garrison duty at Canajoharie & part of the time doing like duty at Fort Hunter, & at the Block houses not far from Johnstown. I was under Capt. McMasters & Col Dubois commanded the Regiment in the Battle with Sir William Johnson [Sir John Johnson] as stated by me in my affidavit or Declaration annexed—After Col. Brown was killed as mentioned in my affidavit annexed, Genl. Van Rensselaer arrived and took command of the American forces & pursued Sir William Johnson and Sir William then went to Canada as I was informed—I was afterwards one of the Guard & pilot in a Boat, which took a number of our wounded men to Schenectady; after which I was discharged. And I do testify and say that I cannot make a more particular statement of my services, or a more minute detail of tours. (Signed with his mark) Nicholas R. Bovee

Sworn before me Jan'y 10<sup>th</sup>, 1833. B. Walworth

End Notes—Nicholas R.Bovie—S.12275

1. Captain Reuben Simonds commanded a company of Bateauxmen.
2. There were several Colonel Schuyler's in the Albany County Militia.
3. Cornelius Barhydt was Captain of a Company of Bateauxmen.
4. Colonel Christopher Yates of the Quartermaster Department.
5. Major General Philip Schuyler of the Continental Army.
6. Ensign David Beverly of Captain David McMaster's Company in the Third Regiment of Tryon County Militia under Colonel Frederick Visscher (Fisher).
7. Ensign Derick VanVechten (VanVeghten) in Captain Emanuel DeGraff's Company in Colonel Visscher's Regiment.
8. Nicholas was not at the Battle of Stone Arabia where Colonel John Brown was killed on October 19, 1780 in the morning. He was in the afternoon Battle of Klocksfield under Brigadier General Robert VanRensselaer. A detachment of the Third Tryon under Lieutenant-Colonel Volker Veeder were at Klocksfield.