

Pension Application for Cornelius Bradt

W.18649 (Widow Annatje or Annatie)

Declaration: In order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress of the 7th July 1838, entitled: An act granting half-pay and pension to certain widows.

State of New York

On this tenth day of October 1838, personally appeared before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the County of Schenectada in said state Annatje (or Anna) Bradt—a resident of the town of Rotterdam in the County of Schenectada aged Seventy three years, who being first duly sworn, according to law, 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 7, 1838, entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows." That she is the widow of Cornelius Bradt who was a private in a company of militia in the Regiment of Colonel Abraham Wempel in the District of Schenectada, and served as stated in the affidavits hereto annexed. And she declares further that he maiden name was "Peterson"—

She further declares, that she was married to the said Cornelius Bradt on the thirty first day of March in the year seventeen hundred and Eighty six, that her husband the Cornelius Bradt died on the fifteenth day of July 1826; that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first of January seventeen hundred and ninety-four, viz, at the time above stated. And that she cannot write her name owing to old age & debility. (Signed with her mark) Annatje Bradt

Sworn and subscribed on the day and year above written before the Judges aforesaid in Open Court. Wm. Tredway Dep.Clerk

Letter in the pension folder

January 29, 1940

Miss Nellie Schock

2312 Harlan Street

Falls City, Nebraska

Dear Madam:

The data which follow were obtained from papers on file in pension claim, W.18649, based upon service of Cornelius Bradt, in the Revolutionary War.

The date and place of birth of Cornelius Bradt and names of his parents are not shown.

Cornelius Bradt enlisted in the year 1777, and was out in the expedition against Burgoyne, (1) and continued to serve as private at various times to 1781, amounting in all to seven months and sixteen days, in Captains Jesse Van Slyck's, (2) Thomas B. Bancker's, Jellis A. Fonda's and John Van Petten's (3) companies, Colonel Abraham Wemple's New York Regiment.

He died July 15, 1826.

Cornelius Bradt married March 31, 1786, in Schenectady, New York, Annatje (Anna) Peterson. Date and place of her birth and names of her parents are not shown.

Soldier's widow, Annatje Bradt, was allowed pension on her application executed October 10, 1838, at which time she was aged seventy-three years and a resident of Rotterdam, Schenectady County.

No reference was made to children.

In order to obtain the date of last payment of pension, the name and address or person paid and possibly the date of death of Annatje Bradt, widow of Cornelius Bradt, you should address the Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, Records Division, this city, and cite the following data:

Annetie Bradt (as her name was born on the pension roll) widow of Cornelius Bradt. Certificate #1945, Issued September 11, 1842, Rate \$21.77 per annum, Commenced March 4, 1848, continued from 1838, Act of February 2, 1848, New York, Albany Agency.

Very truly yours, A.D. Hiller, Executive Assistant to the Administrator.

End Notes—W.18649—Cornelius Bradt

1. During the summer of 1777 the American forces under Major General Philip Schuyler and after August under Major General Horatio Gates were engaged in several skirmishes and battles against British forces under Lieutenant General John Burgoyne. General Burgoyne surrendered his army on October 17, 1777 at Saratoga now known as Schuylerville, Saratoga County, New York.
2. Captain Jesse VanSlyck, Thomas B. Banker, Jessis J. Fonda (not Jellis A.Foinda) of the First company and John Van Patten of the Third Company all of which were in Colonel Abraham Wemple's Second Regiment of Albany County Militia.
3. On Captain John VanPatten's Receipt Roll Cornelius presented two certificates for a total of £ 0..19..6 2/3 that was due to him. FROM: Revolutionary War Rolls 1775-1783, Series M-246, Roll 77, folder 170, National Archives, Washington, D.C.