

## Pension Application for Jacob Brink

S.15009

Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress of the 7<sup>th</sup> June 1832.

State of New York

Ulster County SS.

On this seventh 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 of the County of Ulster aforesaid now sitting Jacob Brink a resident of the town of Kingston in said County of Ulster aged seventy eight years and upwards 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 he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served in the manner herein stated.

That in the year 1776 he was residing in the said town of Kingston in Ulster County with his father. That in the early part of the summer of that year being then about twenty two years of age he enlisted as a volunteer in a company commanded by Captain John L. DeWitt now deceased in a regiment whereof Johannis Hardenbergh was Colonel for the term of five months.

That this deponent left Kingston under the command of his said Captain with the company in a sloop for the city of New York and that upon their arrival at the city they were placed under the command of GGeneral Scott whose christened name this deponent does not recollect. That the name of the Brigade Major was Fish but he cannot tell what his other name was. That this deponent remained in the said City of New York serving under his enlistment until the British entered the City when he returned with the American army to Kingsbridge and from thence to White Plains and thence to Haverstraw.

That this deponent remained at Haverstraw encamped until the expiration of his term of enlistment where he returned to his father's house.—This deponent further says that he never received any discharge from his service at that time and that he returned in company with his friends and neighbors after the expiration of the period of his enlistment, none of whom to the best of his recollection or belief received any written discharges.

That this deponent enlisted at the same time with the following named persons from the vicinity of Kingston who are still living and who performed duty with this deponent as above stated to wit: Leonard Croes, k Tjerick Burkhaus and Garret Constable that the said Croes and Burkhaus returned with this deponent of Kingston from Haverstraw after being discharged.

That this deponent's messmates were Petrus Myer, Hans Dubois, John Post, William Dewitt and William Dubois who all enlisted at the same time with this deponent and were from the same vicinity— but that his said messmates above named are all dead.

This deponent cannot state the precise day of his enlistment or of his departure from Kingston to New York but he positively declares that he served out the full period of five months in the manner above stated.

That in the spring of the year 1777 but on what precise day he cannot recollect, he volunteered again in the service of his country by enlisting at Kingston aforesaid for the term of two months in the company commanded by Moses Cantine as Captain in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Albert Pawling. That he marched with the company in which he so enlisted under the command of Captain Cantine to Rambo in the State of New Jersey. That after remaining then two months till the expiration of the period of his enlistment he returned home.

That Captain Cantine and Lieutenant Ellsworth who was the Lieutenant of the company in which this deponent enlisted are dead.

That he recollects no person from this quarter of the Country who served with him during this enlistment, except Hiskia Wynkoop and William Osterhoudt who are both old and infirm, now living.

That the said Wynkoop and Osterhoudt reside in the adjoining town of Saugerties in this county and that he cannot without much trouble and expense to himself procure their evidence in support of this his declaration.

And this deponent farther says that after harvest in the summer of the year 1779 he was drafted as a militia man and went in the company commanded by Abraham VanAken of the New York Militia and in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Albert Pawling. That this deponent marched with his company to the regiment which was then lying in Sandaken Ulster County.

That immediately on joining the regiment they were marched to join General Sullivan then in the interior of the State of New York or Pennsylvania through the County of Delaware to a place then called Tuscarora at which place they learnt that General Sullivan was several days march ahead and the provisions of the Regiment being nearly exhausted they were ordered back to Sandaken at which place this deponent was discharged after a service of little more than three weeks.

That several of this deponent's neighbours and townsmen were with him in this excursion among those now living is Cornelius Longerdike in this vicinity whose testimony he hopes to be able to obtain.

That he has always resided in Kingston Ulster County that he never has received any written discharge that he has no documentary evidence of his said service.

That 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.

And this deponent further says that he is known in his present neighborhood to Henry H. Schoonmaker and the Reverend John Gosman, Jonathan Hasbrouck, Jacob Snyder, Peter Oberbagh, Cornelius Longerdike who can testify to his character for veracity and their belief of this deponents services as a soldier of the Revolution. The testimony of some of whom he hopes to be able to obtain.  
(Signed with his mark) Jacob Brink

Sworn before us in open court. A. G. Hardenbergh, John Hansen, Abm. A. Deyo, Judges