

Pension Application for Michael Burdge

S.12402

State of New York

Tioga County

On this fourth day of May one thousand eight hundred & eighteen before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in & for the County of Tioga in the State of New York appeared Michael Burdge, aged fifty six years resident in said county, who being by me first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late Act of Congress entitled "An Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & naval [naval] service of the United States in the Revolutionary War".

That he the said Michael Burdge enlisted in the forepart of the year 1777 at Tumpton State of New York & served in the Company commanded by Capt. Godwin in the 5th New York Regiment continually in the service of the United States to the end of the war & that he was discharged from said service the seventh day of June 1783 near New Winsor [Windsor] State of New York, that he was in the Storm of Fort Montgomery & taken prisoner & also in the Seige [Siege] of Yorktown Virginia. And that he is in reduced circumstances & stands in need of the assistance of his country for support, and that the accompanying discharge is his discharge given to him by the hand of Ensign Schylor when he left the Army of the United States. And that he knows of none of the officers or soldiers living within his reach who served with him further to identify him. (Signed) M. Burdy.

Sworn to and declares before me the day and year aforesaid. Joshua Ferris one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the said County of Tioga and State of New York.

Letter in folder dated October 20, 1923, written in response to an inquiry.

I have to advise you that from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim S.12402 it appears that Michael Burdge was born May 6, 1762.

In Pumpton, New York early in 1777 he enlisted and served in Captain Godwin's Company, 5th New York Regiment until transferred to Captain Vanderburgh's Company, 2nd New York Regiment from which he was discharged as Sergeant on June 7, 1783. He was in the battle of Fort Montgomery where he was captured and at Siege of Yorktown.

He was allowed pension on his application executed May 4, 1818 while a resident of Tioga County, New York.

Soldier married about 1817 Mrs. Quigg (maiden name not stated) born in October 1769. In 1820 he was a resident of Auburn, Cayuga County, New York and stated that his children were all daughters and married (their names not stated). He lived in Ira, Cayuga County, New York about eleven years prior to 1832.

It does not appear that bounty land was allowed by the United States on account of the services of the said Michael Burdge. For information in regard to land that may have been granted by the State of which service was rendered, you should consult the archives at the Capital of said State.