

Pension Application for Tjerck or Therlh Burhaus or Burhans or Burhens

S.12379 (Widow: Catharine) Tjerck died November 25, 1832.

Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed the 7th June 1832.

State of New York

Ulster County SS.

On the thirteenth 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 and for Ulster County, being a Court of Record for said County, proceeding according to the course of Common Law with a jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount and keeping a record of their proceedings, having a Clerk and a seal of their own, Tjerck Burhaus, a resident of the town of Kingston in the County of Ulster aged seventy three years, who being 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 the 7th June 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. To Wit—

That on or about the first of August in the year 1776, he volunteered as a private soldier in the Militia service of the State of New York in the Revolutionary War, and was in the company commanded by Captain John DeWitt in Colonel Johannis Hardenbergh's Regiment, at Saugerties in the County of Ulster, Sailed from there in a Sloop to the City of New York, remained there until the City of New York was taken retreated from there to Kings Bridge, from thence to White Plains, was there in that engagement where Genl Washington commanded, remained there until about the first of November, then marched to Peekskill and remained there until about the first of January following (1777) when he and the said was then discharged. After a Service of Five months or more.

And this applicant further declares that about the first [cut off]

Soldier in said service of the state of New York in Capt. Henry Schoonmaker's Company in Col. Johannis Snyder's Regiment of Four Months, entered said service and company at Saugerties Ulster County, Sailed form there in the Sloop "Poly" to Fort Montgomery in the Highlands on the West Side of the Hudson River, and there remained under the Command of Genl Clinton until the beginning of August following, then returned to the same Sloop to Saugerties aforesaid & was there discharged, by the Capt with the said company.

And he further declares that immediately after the above he again volunteered as a private soldier in the said service in the said Service of the State of New York in Capt Philip Swart's Company Major John Cantine's Regiment for three months and marched to Albany and from there to Stillwater where he and the said Company joined the Army under Genl Gates, remained there until the British army marched and was sent to Boston, then about the first of November marched back again to Albany and there discharge, received no written discharge.

And this applicant further declares, that one or about the first April in the year 1779 he again volunteered as a private soldier in the said Service of the State of New York in Capt. Hunter's Company in Colonel Albert Paulding's Regiment entered the said company at Saugerties Ulster County County [sic] marched from the Wawarsing and there joined the Regiment, went from there to Shandaken, and from there to the West with an intent of Joining Genl Sullivan on his expedition against the Indians, but by a letter which was found near the Susquehanah [Susquehanna] stating that Genl.Sullivan was some days in advance, returned to Shandaken and went from there to Stoney Point and remained there until some time in December following (being out of provisions) we went to Poughkeepsie and continued there until some time in January following (1780) and was then there discharged after having served the full term of nine months by Col. Paulding in person (received no written discharge).

And this applicant further declares that early in the spring of the year 1780 he again volunteered in the same service as aforesaid in the company commanded by Capt Froman and was attached to Colonel Harper's Regiment on the Mohawk River continued there intha service for Three or four

months, then enlisted in the fourth Regiment of New York Troops in Captain Norton's Company at the above place and marched from there to Stoney Point and was there attached to Col. Wysenvelt's Regiment. Saw Major Andre hung at Orange Town and from there marched back again to Fort Stanwix remained there a short time and was discharged after a service of Nine Months in the two mentioned enlistments. (Received no written discharge)

And he further declares that early in the Spring of the year 1782 he again volunteered in the same service as aforesaid in Capt.; Henry Paulding's Company in Col. Albert Paulding[s] Regiment for nine months and was stationed Benjamin Snyder, Tobias Wynkoop & Evert Wynkoop all in the town of Saugerties and said company was divided into three parts each under an officer stationed at [one] of the above named places as a guard [guard] to the frontiers. And continued in said service until about the first of January following (1785) and was then there discharged after the full term of nine months (received no written discharge).

And he further positively declares that he has served the full term of three years and three months in the same service, but through age and infirmity he would not be so positive as the dates and officers. Yet as far as his recollection will serve he believes that the dates and officers are also correct.

And he further declares that he was born in the town of Saugerties in the County of Ulster in the year 1759.

That he has no record of his age.

That he lived when called into service in said town of Saugerties. That he has lived since the Revolutionary War. And that he now lives in the Town of Kingston, Ulster County.

That he knows no officers except those notes.

That he never received a written discharge.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any agency in any state. (Signed) Therlh Burhaus

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open court. A. G. Hardenbergh, John Jansen, Abm. A. Deyo, Judges.