

Pension Application for Elisha Cady

W.16205 (Widow: Ruth) Elisha as a Fifer, Sergeant, and Ensign. Elisha died August 4, 1827.

State of New York

Montgomery County SS.

On this thirteenth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & thirty seven personally appeared before the honorable John Hand one of the Judges of the Montgomery County Courts, Ruth Cady a resident of Glen in the County of Montgomery and State of New York aged seventy nine years in April 1836 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 4th 1836.

That she is the widow of Elisha Cady deceased who was an Ensign in the Militia of the State of New York.

That said Elisha Cady was in the year 1776 a Sergeant in Captain Darrow's Company, Colonel TenEyck's Regiment & that on requisition of the Committee of Safety entered the service on the first of May under Captain Darrow for seven months. That they mustered at Canaan, marched to Albany & from thence to Lake George & to the best of deponents knowledge & belief performed said served to the end of the Term.

That in the year 1777 said Elisha Cady was drafted by Order of the Governor & was in the service as a Sergeant up the Mohawk River in the month of July & he was engaged in the battle of Aug 1, 7, Oriskany & that he was at the battle and taking of General Burgoyne during the same season.

That in the year 1778 was called out under the command of Colonel Waterman being then an Ensign in Captain Davis's Company the call having been made to repel and expected attack from Indians & Tories at the North & that he was in service at this time for a space of time between two & three months to the best of deponent's knowledge & belief.

That in the the [sic] month of September 1780 the said Elisha Cady was in service under the command of General VanRensselaer Colonel Whiting & was an Ensign in Captain Davis's Company that they marched up the Mohawk River & that he was in service at this time for the space of two months to the best of deponent's recollection & belief. That during this campaign Colonel Brown was killed at the battle of Stone Arabia. That during the remainder of the war the said Ensign Elisha Cady was engaged in the service as long as there was a continuation of hostilities & that the aggregate of service performed by said Ensign Elisha Cady is between tow & three years to the best of deponent's recollection & belief.

She further declares that the only documentary evidence that she has is the commission of the said Elisha Cady as an Ensign in Captain John Davis's Company & in Colonel William B. Whiting's Regiment & which is hereto annexed.

She further declares that she was married to the said Elisha Cady on the twentieth day of December one thousand seven hundred & seventy three that her husband the aforesaid Elisha Cady died on the twenty fourth day of August one thousand eight hundred & twenty seven & that she has remained a widow ever since that period as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed. (Signed with her mark) Ruth Cady.

Sworn to and subscribed on the day & year aforesaid before me. John Hand a Judge of the Montgomery County Courts.