

**Pension Application for James Cambe,
or Cambee, Kamby, Kambe**

S.44372

State of New York

Dutchess County SS.

On this thirteenth day of May in the year one thousand eight hundred & eighteen before me James Emott first judge of Dutchess County came James Cambe who on oath declared that he is a citizen of the United States and that he now resides in the town of Beekman in the said County.

that [That] on or about the year one thousand seven hundred & seventy six he enlisted for during the war in the American army in a company commanded by Capt. Sackett (1) in a regiment in the New York line commanded by Collo Henry B. Livingston which regiment was afterwards commanded by Collo Wisenfeldt (2) and that on the reduction of the said regiment this deponent was transferred to the regiment in the New York Line commanded by Coll Philip Van Cortlandt in which regiment he was at the close of the war; that the deponent served faithfully under his said enlistment from his going into the army as aforesaid until he was discharged with the army at Snake Hill near Newburgh in June one thousand seven hundred & eighty three making a period of about seven years during all which time he belonged to the continental army and was with the army at the captures of Burgoyne (3) & Cornwallis and that this deponent gave his discharge to Collo Platt soon after the war on selling his bounty lands (4) to him since which he has not seen the same nor does he know where the same now is; the deponent also say, that he is in reduced circumstances and needs the aid of his country for support wherefore he prays for a pension under the late act of congress making provision for the poor soldiers of the revolution. (Signed with his mark) James Cambe

Sworn this 13th of May 1818 before me. James Emott.

End Notes—S.44372—James Cambe

1. James enlisted on December 1, 1776 for during war in Captain Samuel Sacket's First Company in Colonel Henry B. Livingston's Fourth New York Continental Regiment. James was appointed corporal and by August 24, 1777 he was reduced to the rank of private. FROM: Revolutionary War Rolls. 1775-1783, Series M-246, Roll 71, folder 56, National Archives, Washington, D.C.
2. Frederick Weisenfels was the lieutenant colonel of the Fourth New York in 1780. On January 1, 1781, the Second New York, Fourth New York and the Fifth New York were consolidated and re-organized into a new Second New York Regiment. Philip VanCourtlandt remained the colonel of the Second New York and Weissenfels retired from the Continental service. James having enlisted for the war was transferred to the Second New York. Captain John F. Hamtranck of the former Fifth New York was also transferred to the Second New York and James was placed in the company. Cambe had to have been in good physical condition as Hamtranck commanded the light infantry company which was made up of the best men selected from the different companies of the regiment. FROM: Revolutionary War rolls 1775-1783, Roll 67, folder 25.
3. The Fourth New York was in the Battles of Saratoga on September 19 and October 7, 1777. They were also present at the surrender of Lieutenant General John Burgoyne and his 6,000 man army. The Fourth New York was in the Battle of Monmouth, New Jersey which was fought on June 28, 1778. The Fourth New York was also part of the Sullivan-Clinton Campaign against the Iroquois Villages in the western part of New York in 1779 and the Yorktown, Virginia Campaign from September 28 to October 19, 1781 when Lord Cornwallis surrendered his army.

4. James was given lot 19 of 600 acres in township 23 (Dryden) on July 8, 1790. FROM: The Balloting Book, and other Documents Relating to Military Bounty Lands, In The State of New York, Packard & Van Benthuisen, Albany, N.Y., 1825, p 37.