

Pension Application for James Clary

S.44785

State of New York

Rockland County

Court of Common Pleas

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Original Claim

On the twelfth day of November 1823, personally appeared in open court being a court of record in and for the said County of Rockland, James Clary, a resident in said County aged sixty two years, who, being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath, make the following declarations in order to obtain the provisions made the Acts of Congress of the 18th march 1818, and the 1st May 1820.

That he the said James Clary on or about the month of February 1776, joined the army of the United States, enlisted by Ensign Samuel Johnson, under the command of captain Downs, in Colonel Burrell's Regiment, belonging to the State of Connecticut, in which he served one year, that he was taken prisoner at the affur [affair] of the Cedars, in Canada while fighting under Major Butterfield, that he was detained as such about one month, when he was exchanged.

That on or about the month of April 1777, he enlisted in Captain Chamberlin's company belonging to Colonel Hopkin's regiment of the State of New York, for the term of five months, at the expiration of which he was discharged therefrom.

And some time in the month of December, 1777, he enlisted in Captain James Young's Company in Colonel Baldwin's Regiment in which he served three years, when he was discharged therefrom and his papers relative to said service, has by accident all been lost, and he has now no other testimony to offer of said services but his oath.

And in pursuance of the act of the 1st May 1820, I do solely [solemnly] swere [swear] that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March, 1818, and that I have not since that time, by gift, sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an Act of congress entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval services of the United States, in the Revolutionary War" passed on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereunto annexed and by me subscribed.

And this deponant further saith that his occupation was a ship carpenter, but by age and infirmities he is able to do but little labour, that his family consists of himself and four children, the oldest about twelve years old, excepting one son who is providing for himself.

Schedule

Real Estate—None

Personal Estate

4 old chairs

1 Iron Pot

5 Pewter Plates

One Large pewter dish

One Gallon DO [ditto] Bason [basin]

One Bedstead

One Wood Ax

One Chest

One pocket knife.

Beds and bedding and necessary clothing excepted. (Signed) James Clary

Sworn to in open court on the 12th Day of November 1823.

David Pye, Clerk of the court of Common Pleas of the County of Rockland.

Letter in folder dated February 14, 1929, written in response to an inquiry.

I advise you from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim, S.44785, it appears that James Clary enlisted about February 1776, place not stated, and served as a private in Captain Isaac Downs' Company in Colonel Charles Burrall's Connecticut Regiment; was taken prisoner at the battle of The Cedars and was exchanged about one month later.

He enlisted about April, 1777, and served five months in Captain Chamberlin's Company in Colonel Hopkins' New York Regiment.

He enlisted in December 1777 in Captain James Young's Company in Colonel Baldwin's Regiment and served three years.

He was allowed pension on his application executed November 12, 1823, at which time he was sixty-two years of age and was a resident of Rockland County, New York.

In 1823, the soldier stated, "his family consists of himself and four children, the oldest about twelve years old, excepting one son who is providing for himself.