

Pension Application for Joseph Conklin

W.15658 (Widow: Catharine) Joseph died January 30, 1838. Served as a private under Captain Dubois, and Col. Wynkoop in the NY Line for 10 months.

State of New York, County of Cortland, SS.

On this 2nd day of Oct. 1832, personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas now sitting Joseph Conklin a resident of Freetown in the county and state aforesaid aged 75 years who being first duly sworn doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

I Joseph Conklin of Freetown in Cortland County and State of New York do give the following account of my services in the Revolutionary War.

At the commencement of the said war I resided at StillWater in this State. I enlisted as private for nine months in Capt. Samuel VanVectan's Company in Col. Wynekoop and Lieut Col. Phillip VanCortland's regiment were stationed at old fort Ti (Ticonderoga) and a part of the time at Skeensborough served the time for which I enlisted and was discharged. I think I enlisted in the Spring of 1775.

I was in the army when Burgoyne was taken about one month cannot recollect the name of any of my officers. From StillWater I moved to the town of Catskill there I was drafted and sent to Schoharie a private in Capt. Dubois company. Stationed in the upper [upper] fort was there at the time that Sir John and Brant came with with [sic] their army served in this tour as near as I can remember about one months.

I do not now know of any living witness by whome [sic] I can prove any of the above mentioned services neither have I any written evidence of that fact.

I was born in Lunenberry in this state according to my best information in 1757 and am now 75 years of age. Have no record of my age after the war of the revolution I lived at a place called Freehold now in Greene County in this state have lived where I now live 26 years, never received a discharge.

Abraham Aker and Daniel B. Faddock my witnesses by whom to prove my character and the probability of my having been in the service in the revolutionary war.

I do hereby relinquish every claim to pension or annuity except the present and declare that my name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. (Signed with his mark) Joseph Conklin

Subscribed & Sworn the day & year aforesaid. Samuel Hotchkiss -- clerk