

Pension Application for Anthony Devoe

S.10,562

Declaration to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

State of New York

County of Herkimer SS.

On this tenth day of October 1832, personally appeared in open court before the Court of Common Pleas in & for the County of Herkimer and State of New York now sitting Anthony Devoe, a resident of the Town of Warren, County & State aforesaid, aged sixty nine years & upwards, who being first 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, June 7, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following officers, and served as herein stated.

That he was enlisted by his father, and within his county, in the company of Captain Isaac Bogert (1), whose Colonel this deponent believes was Colonel Van Schaick (2), and that he cannot state the names of any other of the company or Field officers; that he entered the service about in the month of July 1779 and left it late in the months of January in the cold winter of 1780 but on what day he cannot recollect. That he was in no engagement—that during all the time he was in service he was stationed at a fort in the City of Albany. That at the time of his enlistment he resided in the Town of Half-Moon, now in the County of Saratoga & State of New York. That while he was stationed at the fort, some regular troops were sometimes in the same, but this deponent did not know the names of any of their officers—That he has no documentary evidence of his services, but received no written discharge and that he does not know of any person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service.

And this deponent further saith that while he was stationed at the fort in Albany, where he served from the time of his enlistment until he was discharged, he husead to hear that the British were making attempts to come up to Albany but that they were prevented by a large chain stretched across the Hudson River. That he served two years after the Battle of Bemis Heights (3) and the surrender of Burgoyne—and also two years after the battle of Bennington in which General Stark (4) was victorious.

And this deponent further declares, that he was born in the Town of Newtown in the present County of Saratoga, in the year 1763, as he is informed and believes.

That he has no record of his age, except one which he made himself 14 or 15 years ago, in his family Bible.

That when called into service he lived at Half-moon point, so called in the Town of Half-moon aforesaid.

That since the Revolutionary War, he has lived at Schaghitcoke in Rensselaer County State of New York about ten years, when he removed to the town of Warren, Herkimer County where he has resided ever since, and now resides. That he was always a Volunteer, that he never received any written discharge.

That this deponent is known to James [?] Esq, John Overaker, Rufus Gram, esq, Daniel Talcott, Nicholas Shoemaker, George Yule, Henry Crim & the Rev'd W. Balla, who can testify to this deponents character for veracity and to their belief of his services as a soldier of the revolution. That he was not in service with any of the regular troops excepted a few who were sometimes in the Fort aforesaid, but he cannot state the names of any of the Regular Officers, nor can he state any Continental or Militia Regiments except that in which he served as aforesaid while on duty in the said fort.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. (Signed with his mark) Anthony Devoe

Sworn and Subscribed in open court this 10th day of October 1832. F. E. Spinner Dept Clerk.

End Notes—S.10562—Anthony Devoe

1. Captain Isaac Bogart was appointed as captain in April of 1779 in Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant Henry K. VanRensselaer's Regiment of New York State Levies, unfortunately no muster rolls have been found for the regiment.
2. Goose VanSchaick was the Colonel of the First New York Continental Regiment.
3. The Battle of Bemus Heights was fought on September 19, 1777. Lieutenant General John Burgoyne, surrendered his British Army on October 17, 1777.
4. Brigadier General John Stark commanded the American forces at the Battle of Bennington on August 16, 1777.