

Pension Application for William Devoe

S.22729

State of New York

Rensselaer County SS.

William Devoe of the town of Halfmoon, County of Saratoga & State of New York who first being duly sworn according to law, in order to answer the interrogatories not before satisfactorily answered & stated in the deponents annexed declaration, and set forth by the Secretary of War deposed & says – that the reason why this deponent did not make his said annexed declaration in the county of Saratoga where this deponent resides now because he this deponent has reside in Rensselaer County from a short time after the close of the revolutionary war, until the past four years.

That he is much better acquainted with the inhabitants in Rensselaer County, where the annexed declaration was made, that in the county of Saratoga where he now resides, and that Stephen Ostrander the Clergyman whose name appears in the certificate annexed to said declaration resides in the said county of Rensselaer, and has been acquainted with and known this deponent for about twenty years, and that it was much nigher [sic] and more convenient for this deponent to attend the court to make said declaration in the county of Rensselaer than in the county of Saratoga—that he has a record of his age at Halfmoon Saratoga County—And this deponent further says that there is now no person living that he knows of that can testify personally to the knowledge of this deponents services—that he has no documentary evidence of his services and never received a written discharge.

That this deponent is acquainted with John Bradshaw & Stephen Varnam of Halfmoon Saratoga County who can testify to his character for truth and veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the revolution, but that this deponent is in indigent circumstances and had no way to procure their attendance at the court where this deponent made his said annexed declaration, and further deponent saith not.
(Signed with his mark) William Devoe

Sworn before me on this first day of December 1832 H, Knickerbacker, first Judge of Rensselaer County.