

Pension Application for Jacobus DeWitt

S.12758

State of New York

County of Ulster SS.

On this 10<sup>th</sup> day of September 1832, personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas, now sitting, being a court of record in and for said County—Jacobus DeWitt a resident of the Town of Warwasing [sic] in the said county aged 77 years 2 ½ months who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the Act of congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

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

That on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of June 1777 he volunteered in the Town of Warwasing in said County under Captain Hardenberg in the regiment of state troops commanded by Col. Paulding for 1 month and served at Fort Montgomery for said term that a Regiment of United States troops was then under Col. Dubois and a company of Artillery men under Captain Moody.

That next on or about the 25<sup>th</sup> day of March 1779 he volunteered for 9 months at Rochester under Captain Levi Dewitt in the Regiment of Colonel Albert Paulding of State troops—and served on the frontier on the westerly side of Shawangunk Mountain from Shandakin to Aquaga on the Susquehannah for about 7 months when he was marched to Stony Point and there joined the Army of General Washington and from thence to Poughkeepsie and was there discharged on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of December Christmas Day after having served said full term of time.

That next in the month of April 1780 he again volunteered for 8 months at Rochester under Captain Andrew White in the Regiment commanded by Col Albert Paulding of State troops as a private and served in the said company on the West side of Shawangunk Mountain along the following December after having served said full term.

That next in the month of March 1781 I again volunteered for 8 months under Capt. Percy in the Regiment of State troops commanded by col. Albert Paulding and served along the frontier between Shandakin and Minisink and was discharged after serving said 8 months at Rochester at the house or near the house of Andries A. Dewitt as a private and was guarding the frontiers.—

That in the month [blank] 1782 I again volunteered for 8 months—under Captain Andrew White in the Regiment of State troops commanded by Col. and Weisenfelt and served said full term of 8 month on the frontier as aforesaid and was discharged at Rochester aforesaid after the said service.—

That in either of the aforesaid engagements of—aforesaid he was in no regular battles, he was at the burning of Warwasing in 1781 during his 4<sup>th</sup> engagement as set forth and was in several little Indian skirmishes and pursuits.

That to the interrogatories prescribed by the war department being put by the court as aforesaid he answers to them.

1. That he was born in the Town of Warwasing in the County of Ulster on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of June 1761.
2. That his age is recorded in the family Bible and in the County of Ulster on the 27<sup>th</sup> Day of June 1761.
3. That he was born in the Town of Warwasing aforesaid has always lived there and lives there still.
4. That he was always a volunteer as aforesaid.
5. That he was in each engagement stationed on and along the frontier in the westerly side of Shawangunk Mountain and not in the vicinity of Regular or United States Troops except as aforesaid at the time of joining General Washington's Army at Stony Point and the first engagement at Fort Montgomery—while there was a regiment under Col. Dubois -- & a company of Artillery under Capt Moody.—
6. That he never rec'd a written discharge from the service that he received pay certificates which he sold for much less than their value.
7. That I am well known to many inhabitants of the Town of Warwasing who can testify to my good character—that I have produced in court to prove my services—William Dewitt, Conrad Bevier & Cornelius Depuy.

That herewith is attached a certificate from the clergyman of the church in which I am a member.

That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension list of the agency of any state. (Signed) Jacobus DeWitt

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid before m. AD Sopee, First Judge; Abm A. Deyo, Abm Hardenburgh, John Jansen. Judges

Letter in folder dated March 13, 1926, written in response to an inquiry.

I have to advise you, that the Revolutionary War pensioner, Cornelius Depuy Dewitt enlisted while living at Rochester, Ulster County, New York. He married November 23, 1786, Margaret Cantine. (W.19173)

The Revolutionary War Pensioner, Jacobus DeWitt enlisted while living at Warwasing, Ulster County, New York. It is not stated whether he was married. (S.12758)

The Revolutionary War records of this Bureau fail to show a claim for pension, or bounty land on file on account of the services of a soldier named Andreas, or Andrew DeWitt, but in the above noted claim of Jacobus DeWitt, he stated that Andries A. DeWitt lived in Rochester, New York in 1781, and in the above noted claim of Cornelius Depuy Dewitt, on Andreas A. DeWitt a resident of Albany, New York, aged 68 ½ years in 1832, stated that he was the brother of Cornelius DeWitt.