Pension Application for Johannis DeWitt

W.16951 (Widow: Annatie) Married October 27, 1781, Johannis died December 9, 1822.

Declaration. In order to obtain the benefit of the third section of the act of Congress of the 4th of July 1836.

State of New York

Ulster County SS.

On this eighth day of October in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight at a court of Oyer and Terminer held at the Court house in the village of Kingston in and for said County of Ulster before the Honerable [sic] Charles H. Ruggles Esquire Circuit Judge of the said State of New York personally appeared Annatie Dewitt a resident of the town of Saugerties County of Ulster and State of New York aged seventy six years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July 4th 1836.

That she is the widow of Johannis Dewitt who in the beginning of the revolutionary war resided in the town of Schaehticoke [sic] County of Rensselaer and that according to the best of her knowledge and belief he the said Johannis Dewitt in the spring of the year of 1775 or 6 volunteered as a private soldier in a company commanded by Hodges. That he with said company was stationed at different places at and near Lake George and lake Champlain during the summer of 1775 or 76 and was discharged late in the fall of said year after performing a service of six or eight months.

She further declares that he the said Johannis Dewitt in the Summer of 1777 has [was] also in the Militia from the County of Rensselaer served as a private soldier in Captain yates Company served for three or four months. That he was stationed at Fort Edward and retreated with said company to Saratoga and Stillwater and was commanded by General Gates and remained in said service until after the surrender of General Burgoins Army and was discharged in the fall of said year of 1777.

She further declares that shortly after the surrender of General Burgoins Army the said Johannis Dewitt moved to the town of Saugerties County of Ulster. That he remained there until the day of his death.

She further declares that the said Johannis Dewitt after his residence in said County of Ulster had at several times in different companies during the revolutionary war served in the militia in Colonel Johannis Snyder's Regiment for three or four months that he was stationed at different places for the defence of the frontier of the County of Ulster.

She further declares that she was married to the said Johannis Dewitt the twenty seventh day of October in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty one, that her maiden name was Annatie Snyder and that her husband the aforesaid Johannis Dewitt died the ninth day of December in the year one thousand eight hundred and twenty two and that she has remained a widow ever since that period as

will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed. (Signed with her mark) Annatie Dewitt

Sworn to and subscribed on the day and year aforesaid in open court. John Ferguson Clerk of Ulster Co.