

**Pension Application for John Dubois**

S.45339

State of New York

County of Schenectady SS.

On this seventeenth day of May 1820 personally appeared before me David Boyd one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of said county, John Dubois a pensioner under the Act of the 18<sup>th</sup> of March in one thousand eight hundred eighteen & on act of the 1 of May 1820, aged sixty seven years resident in the county of Schenectady, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath, declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows, entered 1775—Capt. Hasbrook, (1) Col Winekoop's (2) regiment New York and continued to serve about two years—and dismissed for disability.

And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the eighteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, and that I have not, since that time, by gift, sale or in any manner whatever, disposed of my property, or any part thereof, with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress, entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war," passed on the eighteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, and that I have not, nor has any person in trust for me, any property or securities, contracts, or debts due to me; nor have I any income, other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed.

Schedule

Real Estate-----None

Personal estate---None

Income-----None

Occupation-----None

Family None—myself aged 67 – sickly & unable to procure a livelihood.

Sworn to and declared, on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of May 1820, before me, David Boyd, one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of said county & approved of in Open Court, May 7, 1820. John Dubois

I, Jelles A. Fonda, clerk of the county of Schenectady, do hereby certify, that the foregoing oath and the schedule thereto annexed, are truly copied from the record of the said court; and I do further certify, that it is the opinion of the said court, that the total amount in value of property exhibited in the aforesaid schedule is ----- --dollars and -----cents. . . .In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said county, on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June 1820. Jelles A. Fonda, Clerk of the County of Schenectady

State of New York

County of Schenectady SS.

On this twenty fifth day of March 1819 before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas, in & for the said county, personally appeared John Dubois, aged upwards of sixty four years resident in Schenectady & being by me first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress entitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & naval services of the United States in the revolutionary war, that he the said John Dubois enlisted in the year 1778 under Capt. Pawling (3) in the regiment then commanded by Col. VanSchaick General Clinton's Brigade on the Continental establishment New York line that he continued to serve from the first day of May 1779 until February the succeeding year and that he was dismissed by order of the general for disability & that he never was in any battles [?] skirmishes &c &c & that he is in reduced circumstances & stands in need of the assistance of his country for support and that he has no other evidence, now in his possession of his said services, that his name will appear in the war office by the return made by the state of New York. (Signed) John Dubois (4)

Sworn to and declared before me the day & year aforesaid. James VL Ripley, Judge of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Schenectady.

Letter in pension folder in reply to a request for information. May 9, 1896. Replying to your request for information concerning the military records of John Dubois and John Christie, soldiers of the Revolutionary war, you are advised that John Dubois made an application for pension on March 25<sup>th</sup> 1819, at which time he was residing at Schenectady, New York, and 66 years of age, and his pension was allowed for three years' actual service as a private in the New York troops, Revolutionary war; a part of the time he served under Capt. Hasbrook and col. Van Schaick. Place of enlistment not stated.

John G. Christie made an application for pension on October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1833, at which time he was residing at Caledonia, N.Y., and 84 years of age. The pension was claimed for transport service rendered during the

Revolutionary war under Col. James Gordon but was rejected on the ground that the transport service mentioned in his declaration was not provided for by the act under which the claim was filed.

End Notes—S.45339—John Dubois

1. According to "A Return of Capt. Elias Hasbrouck's Company Belonging to the Regiment, whereof James Clinton Esq. is Coll. Aug 10<sup>th</sup> 1775." Johannes Dubois enlisted as a private on July 20, 1775. His age was 21 and he was born at Esopus, his trade is shoemaker. The militia company he volunteered from was E. Bogardus. His stature was listed as 5 feet 8 inches. His complexion was listed as fair, hair black and eyes brown. FROM: Documents Relating to The Colonial History of the State of New York, ed., Bertold Fernow, Vol. XV, State Archives, Vol. I, Albany, NY, Weed, Parsons and Company, Printers, 1887, p. 172. On another muster roll for Captain Hasbrouck's Company dated "Camp at Ticonderoga the 28<sup>th</sup> Day of Sept. 1775". John is listed as "Sick in Camp". FROM: Revolutionary War Rolls 1775-1783, Series M-246, roll 60, folder 38, National Archives, Washington, D.C.
2. Cornelius D. Wynkoop was appointed Lieutenant-Colonel on August 2, 1775 in Colonel James Clinton's Third New York Continental Regiment. Wynkoop was originally appointed major on June 30, 1775 in Clinton's Regiment.
3. A John Dubois served as a private in Captain Henry Pawling's Company in Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant Albert Pawling's Regiment of New York State Levies. Goose VanSchaick was the Colonel of the First New York Continental Regiment but no officer with the last name of Pawling served in this regiment. Another Henry Pawling was appointed First Lieutenant in Captain Thomas Lee's Company on November 21, 1776 in Colonel Lewis Dubois' Fifth New York Continental Regiment. Lieutenant Pawling was taken prisoner at the Battle of Fort Montgomery, NY on October 6, 1777. He was a prisoner until exchanged in February of 1781. He was then transferred to the Second New York Continental Regiment under Colonel Philip VanCortlandt. This service he refers to probably is in Pawling's Regiment. He also states that he was in no battle during this tour; the First and Second New York Regiments were in the Battle of Monmouth, New Jersey on June 28, 1778 and the Yorktown, VA, Campaign from September 28<sup>th</sup> to October 19, 1781.
4. John also had served as a private in Captain Evert Bogardus' Company (First Company) in Colonel Johannes Hardenbergh's First Regiment of Ulster County Militia in 1775. The First Ulster was then commanded by Abraham Hasbrouck on February 20, 1776 and by late 1776 by Johannes Snyder who was commissioned Colonel on February 19, 1778.