

Pension Application for Cornelius Earls or Earl

W.21030 Widow, Mary. (Married January 17, 1786. Cornelius died May 25, 1842.)

Cornelius Earle was born August 25, 1769.

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(Couldn't read the deposition Cornelius did, so am using this one.)

State of New York

Rensselaer County SS

On the fourth day of June 1834 personally appeared before the undersigned a Commissioner of deeds in and for the county aforesaid, Joseph Earl of the town of Florida in the County of Montgomery & State aforesaid aged seventy six years who first being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath say that in the summer of 1776 he was a soldier in the company commanded by Captain Lash designated Rangers or State Guards not attached as this deponent believes to any Regiment but under command of General Schuyler and was stationed & served at Albany and thereabouts and that his father Robert Earl was on the same company at the same time enlisted for three months but his father was taken sick, and went home on a furlough [?] a short time at the expiration of which his brother Cornelius Earl came and took his place and served the remainder of the term but how long each served he cannot be positive but thinks that Cornelius served as much as twelve months of the time [?]

And this deponent further says that he was [??] declaration of Cornelius Earl of the 27th May 1833 the which this annexed made and does not remember being with him and this [?] as above stated but believing from the best of his knowledge & recollection and belief the service was rendered by them as stated in said declaration but were at most of the times mentioned engaged in the service at other places and from the effects of old age and the consequent loss of memory cannot be particular in [?] his service except when with him as above but he distinctly recollects his being in Company of Rangers under Captain John Smith but how long he served he cannot tell. (Signed) Joseph Earle

Subscribed and sworn to the party aforesaid and before me I certify that said Joseph Earl is a credible person well known to me having visited his residence recently. E.G. Wadsworth Commissioner of deeds.