

Pension Application for Henry Etting

W.24110 (Widow: Catharine Burhans) Married November 29, 1889. Henry died March 1840.

Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

State of New York

Ulster County SS.

On the ninth day of October in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty three, personally appeared in open court before the Honorable James VanDerpoel Circuit Judge and Abraham D. Soper, Wells Lake, Samuel Stillwell, Abraham A. Deyo & Henry Wynkoop Judges of the County Courts at a court of Oyer and Termina [Oyer and Terminer] held at the Court house in the Village of Kingston in and for the County of Ulster and State of New York aged 73 years, who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his oath make the following Declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

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

1st? That he was born in the town of Kingston in the County of Ulster and State of New York in the year 1760.

2nd? That the record of his age is contained in the records of the Dutch Church of the Village of Kingston.

3^d? That at the time he was called into service he lived in the town of Kingston, Ulster County and in the town of Claverack in Columbia County and State of New York.

4th ? That he was a substitute and volunteered.

5th That he does not remember and Regular officers & Continental Troops.

6. That he never received a written discharge.

1776 Three months (no proof) That in the year 1776 he served as a private in the night guard kept in the Village of Kingston in the County of Ulster as a substitute for his father William Etting and Matthew Person but now deceased for the term of Three months and more. That this guard was composed of the Householders of said Village who did in the their turn do duty every night from the Spring of the year till late in the fall of said year 1776 for the protection of the Village of Kingston during the night against the Indians and Tories, that he has no documentary evidence of their service.

One Month "no proof". That Captain Evert Bogardus commanded the Militia Company and Colonel Johannis Snyder commanded the Regiment that he was verbally discharged from this service and knows of a few living witnesses to prove it.

2^d That in the winter of the year 1777 after his father's death, he went to live with his uncle James Etting of the town of Claverack in Columbia County, where he remained till the spring of 1778 and then returned to the town of Kingston to assist his mother in rebuilding his father's house, which had been burnt by the English in 1777, where he staid till the latter part of the summer of that year, and until her house was fit to move in.—and that during that time there were frequent alarms on the frontiers of

Ulster County, and the militia of the town of Kingston were called out on those occasions, that this deponent served in those alarms in Captain Bogardus' Company for more than "one" month as a private soldier, that he has no documentary proof thereof and knows of no living witness who can testify to it.

That in the latter part of the summer of 1778 he again returned to the town of Claverack in Columbia County to live with his Uncle James Etting now deceased and served as a volunteer and private soldier for the Term of "one" month in the company commanded by captain John Osterhoudt now deceased in an expedition of the militia to Schenectady and across the Mohawk river to Schermerhornes Mills, thence to Duanesbush and in Captain Trusdale and thence home, that he was verbally dismissed & has no documentary proof and would respectfully refer to John Etting's affidavit hereto appended.

8 ms, Jno Etting afft. That in the year 1779 he served as a private and volunteer in the militia company commanded by Captain John Osterhout for the term of "eight" months, that this service was confined to the County of Columbia in guarding the town of Claverack and patrolling the adjacent tours in search of Robbers and Tories. That when he was not out on such expeditions he was on night guard, in Claverack that for proof of this service he would again respectfully refer to John Etting's affidavit, that having lived in the town of Kingston for a great length of time, he is unacquainted with the [?] of their services and to the best of his knowledge they are now all dead and he has no documentary proof thereof.

8 months Jno Etting Afft. That in the year 1780 he served as a volunteer and private soldier for the term of "eight" months in the companies of militia commanded by Captain John Osterhoudt, Phillips and Miller in Colonel Henry VanRensselaer's Regiment that this service was also in Claverack as above stated and also on expedition to Stone Robby was in the battle with Butler Brandt & the Indians that he has no written discharge nor any other living proof to his knowledge out John Etting to whose affidavit he would again most respectfully refer.

8 mos Jno Etting Afft. That in the year 1781 he served as a volunteer and a private folder for the term of eight months in the militia company commanded by Captain John Osterhoudt that this service was in all respects the same as that of year 1779 confined wholly to the county of Columbia in standing night guard, and in excursions through the adjacent towns in pursuit of Robbers and tories, that the militia were constantly employed in this service, and that he this deponent was young and therefore in the whole of the service that he cannot now produce any living witness of this service and of necessity would again in absence of documentary evidence respectfully refer to John Ettings affidavit annexed.

6 ms Jno Ettings afft. annexed. That in the year 1782 he served as a volunteer and a private soldier in the company of Captain John Osterhoudt for the term of "six" months, that during this service he was in an expedition to Saratoga and Fort George escorting the tories to Canada under Lieutenant James Etting that General Schuyler commanded, and the rest of the field term was employed to guard the town and patrole [patrol] the adjacent county in search of Tories and Robbers, that he never had

any written discharge from this service, and has no documentary evidence in his possession and knows of no living witness except John Etting to whom he again refers most respectfully and on whom his only reliance for proof of his services is placed, that for proof of his character for truth and veracity and in support of his claim as a revolutionary soldier he begs the department to enquire of the vice President Martin VanBuren who will vouch for the same. 35 months.

That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency.

(Signed) Henry Etting

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.