Pension Application for James Graham

S.28751 James died December 2, 1838.

There is no deposition for James Graham, or his widow; however his children applied for his pension because he hadn't.

State of New York

Orange County SS.

Court of Common Pleas held in and for the County of Orange in said State this 14 day of February 1844, personally appeared Cathrine Terwilliger a resident of the County of Ulster in said State aged 49 years who being first duly sworn according to law before the Judges of said Court, being a Court of Record and states on her oath that she is a daughter of James Graham and [M?ble] Graham now both deceased, last resident of Ulster County and that her mother died about 22 years ago and left her surviving James Graham and that he father the aforesaid James Graham died on the 2d day of December 1838 and left him surviving Cathrine Terwilliger this deponent and Mary Graham and that Mary Graham died on the 14th day of July 1841 and left this deponent Cathrine Terwilleger surviving and that she is the only child of James Graham and [Mil??ble?] Graham now living and that James Graham died leaving no widow, and this deponent the aforesaid Catherine Terwilleger further states that she has understood from her father and other persons that he (James Graham her father) was a soldier of the War of the Revolution and served as follows during said War, all of which this deponent believes to be true.

That he entered the service in the year of 1776 in Colonel Hasbouck's Regiment and served about two years as a Quartermaster. A part of which time he served as such Quartermaster in Colonel Taylor's Regiment and returned home to the County of Ulster previous to the year of 1780 and that he went out occasionally on alarms and otherways and served under Captain William Cross she thinks in the year of 1780 on the western Frontiers in Ulster County to guard the inhabitants against the Indians.

And that in the year of 1781 he entered the service under Captain Purcy and served that season in Colonel Albert Pawling's Regiment on the Western Frontiers and to the North and that in the year of 1782 he entered the service under Captain John L. Hardenburgh and served that season on the western Frontiers in Ulster County in Colonel Frederick Weisenfelt's Regiment and that she has often heard her Father tell of being sent out by his officers to raise Clothing, Shoes, and Blanket's by subscription for the army while on the Western Frontiers in Ulster County. And that she makes this declaration in order to obtain the pension to which her Father was entitled to at the time of his death for his services under Act of 1832.

She further states the reason why her Father did not apply for a pension during his lifetime was that he was sick and out of health for about six years previous to his death.

And that he often spoke of making an application but was waiting till he recovered and enjoyed Better health. (Signed) Cathrine Terwillager

Sworn and subscribed before me this 14 Feb 1844. M. Swezey Deputy Clerk of orange County.