

### **Pension Application for Silas Green**

W.17031 (Widow: Lydia)

To the Hon John C. Calhoun, Secretary of War Department of the United States of Amaraca, your potinioner Silas Green of the Town of Decator in the County of Otsego and State of New York within the United States of amaraca declar under oath that he inlisted into the United States Servis in the year 1775 into Capt. Hezekiah Baldin Company in the New York Line in the year 1776 I inlist into Captain Baldens Company a Ranger during the Pleasure of Congress and served a Privet Soldyer ten months then inlist out of that company into Capt Graham Company in Col. Vancook [VanSchaick] first Ridgment of the Newyork Line for three years and served my time out and was Honerabilly discharged but it is out of my power to produce my discharge your Potinioner seteth fourt the advancement of life to age of [?] and upwards and his Reduced Circumstances he needs the assistance of his country for his support he further Pray his name may be placed on the Pintion List according to a Law Maid in Congress the 14 Day of March 1818. (Signed) Silas Green

Otsego County State of New York personally came before me this 17 day of April 1818 Silas Green and maid oath to the above Dicleration Silas Crippen one of the Judges of Common Pleas in and for the County of Otsego.

Letter in folder dated April 8, 1937, written in response to an inquiry.

The data which follow were obtained from papers on file in pension claim, W.17031, based upon the service of Silas Green in the War of the Revolution. This is the record of the only Silas Green or Greene found on file in the Revolutionary War records of this office.

The date and place of birth of Silas Green (as his signature is shown) were not given, nor were the names of his parents stated.

While a resident of New Brittain (later Chatham) Columbia County, New York, Silas Green served in 1775 and 1776, ten months as private in Captain Hezekiah Baldwin's New York company, He enlisted sometime in March 1777 and served in Captain John Graham's company, Colonel Goose VanSchaick's First New York regiment, length of service three years. He moved to New Bethlehem, Albany County, New York, and while residing there, served about three months in Captain James McGee's New York company.

He was allowed pension on is application executed April 17, 1818, at which time he was sixty-five years of age and living in Decatur, Otsego County, New York. He died February 14, 1835.

The soldier, Silas Green, married in New Brittain, New York, February 4, 1778, Lydia Griffith. The date and place of her birth and names of parents were not given.

The widow, Lydia Green, was allowed pension on her application executed November 14, 1837, then a resident of Martinsburg, Lewis County, New York, and aged seventy-eight years.

Reference was made in 1821 to the family of the soldier as follows—his mother-in-law aged eighty-four years, her name not given; daughter, Lavinia, thirty-seven

years old; son, Walter, twenty years old; and two granddaughters, Ruth, ten years of age, and Adelaide, nine years of age, their surname was not stated.

A son, Willard Green, was thirty-nine years of age in 1839, then a resident of Martinsburg, New York.

William Griffith, Brother of the widow, Lydia Green, was seventy-eight years old in 1837 and a resident of Worcester, Otsego County, New York.

The papers in this claim contain no further reference to family.