

## Pension Application for Asa Hall

S.6945

State of Virginia

Montgomery County SS.

On this 30<sup>th</sup> day of April A.D. 1833, personally appeared in open court, before the Judge of the Circuit Superior Court of Law and chancery for the county of Montgomery aforesaid, now sitting, Asa Hall a resident of the said county and state, aged seventy four years, last June who being first 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<sup>th</sup> 1839 [1838].

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.—That he, on the 2nd of March 1776, in the County of Dutchess & State of New York, enlisted in the service of the United States, to continue in such service during the pleasure of Congress, and was enlisted and commanded by Captain Nathan Pierce (1), who having shortly retired from service this applicant was put under the command of Captain Balding (2) in the regiment commanded by Colonel Richmon. In consequence of the loss of many of our men at Long Island (3), & White Plains (4), in which actions applicant participated, he served but nine months and five days, up to the 8<sup>th</sup> of December following the time of his enlistment, at which latter period he was discharged, at the encampment near the Peakskiln Mountain—That he afterwards, on the 1<sup>st</sup> of July 1777 in the County of Albany and State of New York, enlisted under Captain John Salisbury (5) for three months in the regiment commanded by Colonel Fariness (6) (he thinks)

He was at the taking of Burgoyne, under General Gates, and was continued in the service, not three but four & a half months, up to the 15<sup>th</sup> December, according to his best recollection.

That he has lost his discharges & has no documentary evidence of his service, and has been able to procure no other evidence of his service, except what accompanies this declaration.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. (Signed with his mark) Asa Hall

Reply to a letter of inquiry dated May 24, 1928.

I advise you that from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim, S.6945, it appears that Asa Hall was born in June, 1758, place not stated.

He enlisted in Dutchess County, New York, March 2 or 3, and served until December 8, 1776, as a private in Captains Nathan Pierce's and Palding's or Balding's Companies in Colonel Richmore's or Richmon's and Wisenfelt's New York Regiments; he was in the battles of Long Island and White Plains. He enlisted July 1, 1777 and served until December 15, 1777, as a private in Captain John Salisbury's Company in Colonel Fornass' New York Regiment; he was at the capture of Burgoyne.

He was allowed pension on his application executed April 30, 1833, at which time he was a resident of Montgomery County, Virginia.

There are no data on file relative to his wife and children.

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This day Asa Hall of lawful age came personally before me Joseph King a Justice of the peace of the county aforesaid, and made oath that Asa Hall of said county is now seventy two years of age and has been a resident of the aforesaid county of thirty five years, and that he the said Asa Hall entered for and during the pleasure of Congress on the 3d day of March 1776 in the County of Dutchess & State of New York and was commanded by Capt. Nathan Pearce who having shortly retired from service he was put under the command of Capt. Balding in the Regiment commanded by Capt. Richmore finally under the command of Capt. Wisinfelt (7) and that he continued under that enlistment nine months & five days till 8<sup>th</sup> day of December following when he was discharged.

Given under my hand & seal this 28<sup>th</sup> day of December 1828. Joseph King JP. Crt.

End Notes—S.6945—Asa Hall

1. Captain Nathan Pearce, Jr. was in Colonel Rudolphus Ritzema's Third New York Continental Regiment of 1776.
2. On the September 20, 1776, Harlem, NY, weekly return of Colonel Ritzema's Regiment it has on the bottom the following: Captain Pearce Dismist. From the service by order of the General. Lieutenant Baldwin Appointed to the Command of Pearce's Company. Baldwin's first name is not given. FROM: Revolutionary War Rolls 1775-1783, Series M.-246, Roll 69, folder 39, National Archives, Washington, DC.
3. The Battle of Long Island NY was fought on August 27, 1776.
4. The Battle of White Plains, NY was fought on October 28, 1776.
5. A Captain John Salisbury served in Colonel William B. Whiting's Seventeenth Regiment of Albany County Militia.
6. Colonel Fariness, Faornas etc. is unknown.
7. Frederick Weisenfels was appointed Lieutenant – Colonel on March 8, 1776, in Colonel Ritzema's 3<sup>rd</sup> NY.