

## **Pension Application for Paul Hammond**

R.4536

State of New York

Ontario County

On this 2d day of May 1818 before me Stephen Phelps a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the said County and State personally appears Paul Hammond aged 60 years resident in the town of Penfield in the said County and State who being by me first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War."

That he the said Paul Hammond enlisted in March 1778 or 1779 in Saratoga in the State of New York in the company commanded by John Varner in one Batteau service on the North River—for the term of nine months.

That he continued to serve in said Corps until the expiration such term of nine months when he was honorably discharged from service at Saratoga in the State of New York. That he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services. (Signed with his mark) Paul Hammond

Sworn and declared the day and year aforesaid before me. Stephen Phelps

Letter in folder dated February 21, 1936, written in response to an inquiry.

The data which follow pertaining to Paul Hammond, were obtained from the papers on file in pension claim, R.4536, based upon his service in the War of the Revolution.

The date and place of birth of this soldier are not shown, nor are the names of his parents stated.

While residing in Saratoga, New York, Paul Hammod enlisted sometime in March , 1776, served nine months as a private in Captain Collins' company, Colonel VanCortland's New York regiment. He served in 1778 or 1779, nine months under Captain John Varner in the bateau service on the North River. He enlisted sometime in March, 1780, served in Captain John Chipman's company, Colonel Seth Warner's regiment, in about five months, he was transferred to Captain Drake's company and served four months at Fort Stanwix under Major Hughs.

He was allowed pension on his application executed January 10, 1822, at which time he was aged about sixty-three years and living in Penfield, New York.

Paul Hammond married about the year 1781 in Pittstown, New York, Mary Fuller; they were both then of said Pittstown. They moved about 1790 from Pittstown to Northampton, Montgomery County, New York where they lived several years and moved to Penfield, New York. He died July 7, 1937, or August 3, 1838 or August 8, 1838, in Penfield, New York.

The widow, Mary Hammond, died July 23, 1843, leaving the following children—Benoni G. Hammond, Paul Hammond, Samuel Hammond, Elizabeth

Lapdell, Naomi Randell, Amanda Wager, and William Hammond, who was fifty-nine years of age in 1846 and living in Penfield, New York.