

Pension Application for Alexander Henderson

W.23269 (Widow: Margaret) Married June 9, 1784. Alexander died March 27, 1833.
State of New York
Cayuga County SS.

On this 30th day of July A.D. 1832, personally appeared before me one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the County of Cayuga and state of New York, Alexander Henderson a resident of Genoa in the County of Cayuga, 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 7th, 1832:--

That he entered the service under the following named officers, and served as herein stated:--

That in the month of July AD 1780 he entered the service of the United States in the company of Militia commanded by Captain Dial Sherwood at the town of Salem in the County of Washington & State of New York.

That he marched with said company of Fort Ann in said County of Washington where he was stationed with said Company, that on or about the tenth day of October AD 1780 whilst so stationed at said Fort as aforesaid he the said Henderson was taken prisoner [prisoner] by the enemy and carried to Montreall [Montreal] in Lower Canada, that he continued a prisner [prisoner] of war at Montreall aforesaid for a term of two years or more when he was liberated, at the close of the Revolutionary War—that during part of said term he was detained a close prisner and in irons—

He further declares that he has no other proof than the affidavit of James Carr—that at the time of entering said service he resided in the town of Salem in the County of Washington in the State of New York.

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 any State or territory.
(Signed with his mark) Alexander Henderson

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid before me. Asahel Fitch
Judge of Cayuga Com. Pleas.

I, Mr. J. L. Edwards Commissioner of Pensions Washington City Direct all your Communications Back to Alexander Smith North Lansing Tomkins County State of New York.

Declaration. In order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress of the 7th July 1838 Entitled An Act Granting half pay and Pensions to Certain Widows.

State of New York
County of Cayuga SS.

On this tenth day of December eighteen hundred and thirty eight personally appeared before me Wing Taber one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas. In and for said County Margaret Henderson a Resident of the town of Genoa, in the County of Cayuga aged seventy nine years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the fowling [following] Declaration in order to obtain the benefit

of the provisions made by the Act of Congress passed July 7, 1838 entitled "an act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows".

That she is the widow of Alexander Henderson who was a private in the Revolutionary Wary that drew a pension under the Act of the 7th June 1832 that he drew eighty dollars per annum commencing on the 4th day March 1831 that she has his pension certificate from the War Department in her Posesions [Possession] that she never returned it to the Department that the said Certificate bears date the 4th day of December one thousand eight hundred and thirty two from the best of her Recollection she has heard her husband say that he was taken Prissioner [Prisoner] in Fort Ann and taken to Canada and remained Prissioner there for upwards of two years that when in Fort Ann he was under Col. Sherwood she further declares that she was married to the said Alexander Henderson on the ninth day of June in the yeare [year] seventeen hundred and eighty four by Esquire [blank] Russell.

In the town of White Creek now called the town of Salem Washington County State of New York that her husband the aforesaid Alexander Henderson died March twenty seventh eighteen hundred thirty three that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service but the marriage took place previous to the first day of January seventeen hundred and ninty [ninety] four viz: at the above stated.

That she recollect[s] of a witness that swore to her husband[s] service by the name of James Carr that she knows of no record being keep [kept] of her marriage exept [except] that which is recorded in her family Bible which said Bible has been kept as a family record ever since February 23rd 1787 that said Record was made at that time by John Crawford except the four lines on the top of the leaf that was wrote by her husband when he moved to prove that fraton [fraction?] and the one on the edge of the said leaf.

When her husband died was made by Roxena Denison that the said record has been in her possession ever since it has been made the leaf that the aforesaid Record has been torn apart and has been sewn together with white thread that the said record she shall send with this declaration to the war department that she now remains the widow of Alexander Henderson aforesaid. (Signed) Margaret Henderson

Sworn to and subscribed on the day and year above written before me. Wing Taber Judge of Cay. Co. Courts