

## **Pension Application for Jonathan Herrick**

S.22825

State of New York

County of Schenectada SS. [Later Spelled Schenectady]

On this thirteenth day of march one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, personally appeared in open court, before the Judges of the Circuit Court & Court of Oyer & Terminer held in & for said County Jonathan Herrick, a resident of the town of Duanesburgh in said County, aged seventy seven years and upwards, 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

He was born in the town of Amenia in the now County of Dutchess in said State, on the eighteenth day of October one thousand seven hundred & sixty. There may have formerly existed a record of his birth, but this declarant has none at present.

When called into the service of the United States in the army of the revolution, he was living in said town of Amenia—he lived there after the war of the revolution until he was about thirty years of age, or until the year 1790, when he moved to the Town of Duanesburgh aforesaid, where he still resides.

In the month of January 1777, he this declarant served with a detachment of Militia commanded by Captain William Mead in the Regiment of Colonel Humphrey.

The names of his other company & field officers whom he recollects, were Britton Paine Major, John McNiell Lieutenant, & Edmond Perlee Lieutenant. They marched from Amenia down to Peekskill, where they discharged patrol duty for about one week—thence they marched to a place below White Plains in Westchester County where they remained on duty as aforesaid, for the remainder of the term required of them; viz six weeks, when they were discharged & returned home.

In the month of April 1777, he this declarant was drafted to serve for the term of four months and served for the full term of four months pursuant to such draft at Kingsferry & Stoney Point N.Y. The names of the officers under whose command he served in this expedition were Colby Chamberlin Captain, Abner Gillett Lieutenants. The detachment or company in which this Declarant served at this time, was attached to Colonel Roswell Hopkins's Regiment. Part of said Regiment performed garrison duty at Fort Independence & at Peekskill.

The company to which declarant belonged were stationed at Kingsferry & at Stoney Point—after serving out said term, he was dismissed at Kingsferry aforesaid.

In the month of August thereafter, he this declarant enlisted or volunteered to serve in the company of Captain William Chamberlin, John McNeill Lieutenant – said company was attached to Colonel Morris Graham's Regiment.

He marched with his said company to VanSchaick's Island—thence under General Gates & Arnold to Stillwater & Bemis's Heights. He continued on duty with the Northern American Army to until after the surrender of Burgoyne & after this marched to Albany & thence home. The whole period of this engagement was three months, which he served out in full.

In the month of June 1778, he was drafted for the term of one month, & served out said term in full under Captain Samuel Waters.

The Highlands was their place of destination but when on the way he with others, was detached to guard the Poughkeepsie goal [jail] there were 70 or 80 Tories in confinement.

In the month of October at the latter part thereof or the beginning of the month of November in the year 1778, he this Declarant served as a substitute for one Hubald Tyler in the said company of Captain Samuel Watrons or Waters, and marched to Peenpack near the Delaware river. The term of this engagement was one month, which he served out in full. At this place he performed garrison or patrol duty.

In the fall of the year 1779, he this declarant was drafted to serve for the term of three months, but was only required to serve, and did serve for the term of one month in the company of said Captain Waters, and was stationed at Fishkill, where he performed guard duty.

In the month of August 1780, he this declarant enlisted or volunteered to serve in the Detachment under command of Lieutenant [blank] VanDenBurgh which was attached to Colonel Brown's Regiment. He marched with said Detachment to Fort Plain, whence he was detached with others and marched to Stone Arabia where he remained on duty until the expiration of his engagement, which was four months. The whole of which engagement or term of four months, he served out in full. In this campaign Col. Brown aforesaid was killed.

In August or September 1781 he enlisted himself or engaged to serve four months in the company of captain Henry Dodge – which company was attached, if this Declarant remembers right to Colonel Weisenfelt's Regiment. They marched to Johnstown in the then county of Tryon N.Y., from thence back to Saratoga—at which place and at fort Edward, and at other posts in that vicinity he this Declarant served out the full term of his engagement, to wit four months.

He thinks the name of the officer who had command at Saratoga, was General Starks.

The following are the names of some of the regular officers whom he knew, or who were with the troops where he served and such continental and militia regiments or companies with which he served, or as he can recollect, viz: Colonel Marinus Willett Colonel Brown, Genl VanRensselaer, General Gates, General Arnold, Adt Jellis A. Fonda, & others.

The following are the name of some of the regular officers whom he knew, or who were with the troops where he served, and such continental and militia regiments or companies with which he served, or as he can recollect, viz: Colonel Marinus Willett, Colonel Brown, Genl VanRensselaer, General Gates, Arnold Arnold, Adjt Jellis A. Fonda, & others.

He never received any written discharge from the service.

H has no documentary evidence, and knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service except those whose (names and ) depositions are hereunto subjoined.

The following are the names of persons to whom he is known in his present neighborhood, and who can testify as to his character for veracity, and their belief of his services as a soldier of the revolutionary, to with James Frost & Johannes Houghtailing.

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) Jonathan Herrick.

Subscribed and sworn to the day and year first aforesaid.