

Pension Application for William Holaday or Holliday

S.23704

State of New York

Delaware County SS.

On this 9th day of October 1832 personally appeared in open court before the court of Common Pleas of said County now sitting William Holliday resident of the town of Colchester in said County & State aged 77 years last December who being first duly sworn according to law doth make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

That he was born at the place formerly called Courtland's Manor now called Somerstown in the County of Westchester in the State of New York—

That he entered the service of the United States in the Revolutionary War under the following named officers & served as herein stated that he was enrolled in a company of Militia at the place aforesaid & was first called out in the year 1776 in said company of militia commanded by Capt. Andrew Brown of the Regiment commanded by Col. Samuel Drake, that he was in the service with the Militia for the space of five years that he continued under the command of said Capt. Brown for the space of two years—

That he was then under the command of Capt. Samuel Heat for the space of three years—that during said five years he with the rest of said company was enrolled & stood as a minute man & for much of the time he was called out almost daily that he was frequently engaged in skirmishes with the enemy—

That in the year 1778 as he believes he was marched under the command of said Capt. Heat to Peekskill where the Company & regiment aforesaid lay during the summer—that while there a detachment of British [British] troops landed at a place called the Continental Village about two miles north of Peekskill attacked the regiment to which he belonged – that the said regiment retreated to a place called [Lamb?] Oak Plains about 10 miles from Peekskill where they obtained a reinforcement from a regiment from Dutchess County commanded as he believes by Col. Ludington.

That the next year he was again marched from place to place for the purpose of keeping guard in said county of Westchester he was successfully at Rye White Plains, Scarsdale, Marnick during the summer & fall under the command of said Capt. Hait—

That he continued in service in the manner aforesaid for the space of five years as aforesaid after which he was not called out until the close of the war—

And he further declares that he has no documentary evidence & that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service except Christopher Roff whose affidavit is hereunto annexed.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

(Signed) William Holoday.

Sworn & Subscribed the day & year aforesaid. C. B. Sheldon Clerk.