

Pension Application for Nicholas Holsapple

S.10871

State of New York

Columbia County SS.

On this seventh day of May A.D. 1833 personally appeared in open court before the Justices of the Justices Court in & for the City of Hudson in said County now sitting Nicholas Holsapple aged seventy eight years who being duly sworn doth upon his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he was born in the town of Livingston in s'd County in the year 1755 that he resided in said town till the Revolution & continued to reside there till within six years, since which he has resided in Germantown in said county—

That the record of his age is contained in the church record where he resides—

That in the year 1776 he volunteered in the company of Capt Peter VanGosbeck & Regiment of Col. Peter R. Livingston & Major Samuel TenBroeck. That he marched on alarm in the latter part of the month of May in that year to Greenbush & there waited for further orders—then he was encamped with the regiment one week when orders came to his discharge the troops & he being duly discharged came home.

About the first of June of the same year he joined the Company of Capt. Henry Pulver of the Regiment aforesaid and acted in said company of Scouts or rangers till December of that year making 6 months. This company was ordered out by the commanding officers of said Regiment to scour the county & to apprehend & bring in all Tories & enemies found--& frequently the Col. or Major was with them on these scouts—they were organized regularly & snow regularly during said time—

Again in the spring following he served two months more in March & April, under the same Capt & in the same service as last above stated.

Again about the first of July of this year, to wit 1777, he was ordered out in said Capt Pulous Company to go to the north on the approach of Burgoyne—That he was directed to take his team & move with the baggage in advance of the troops—that they pushed on via Albany &c to Ft. George to assist in removing the American stores & in destroying the fields of grain to keep them from benefiting the enemy—about the first of August a portion of the Militia were discharged & he amongst the rest & he returned home having served one month on this tour.

Again in the year 1778 under the said Capt Pulver & in said Regiment he served in his own county on scouts as aforesaid as much as three full months that on account of old age & consequent loss of memory he cannot state particularly the time & months of entering & leaving the last service stated but he is positive as to the service—

That in all his said service he served twelve & a quarter months—that he was always a volunteer & a private—That he received no written discharges & has no documentary evidence.—That although he was a sergeant in said Pulver's company a part of the war, yet while in service he acted as private—that Capt Leonard TenBroeck had a company in the same regiment—that he has no living witnesses of his said

service other than what is herewith sent to wit, the affidavit of Samuel TenBroeck his Major—of Leonard TenBroeck & David Potts & the opinion of his neighbors & the clergyman of the church to which he belongs.

That he hereby renounces all claim to any pension or annuity except the present & that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. (Signed with his mark) Nicholas Holsapple

Subscribed & sworn to the day & year aforesaid. J. D. Parker Clk