

## **Pension Application for Nathaniel Hoyt**

S.23268

State of New York

Westchester County SS.

On this thirtieth day of September one thousand eight hundred and thirty six personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the said County of Westchester, the same being a court of Record, now sitting, Nathaniel Hoyt, a resident of the town of Poundridge in said county of Westchester, aged, seventy two 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated to wit.

That he first entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated, to wit.

That he first entered the service as a private in the company of militia commanded by Capt. Samuel Lewis, in the Regiment command[ed] by Col. Thomas Thomas at the town of Poundridge in the said County of Westchester, as a volunteer third or fourth day of April in the year 1780 for the term of one year, and served in said company, the term of his inlistment [enlistment] in actual service, on and near the lines in said county.

That he was on some occasions detached and sent on expeditions under different officers on tours of duty to Pecks Kill [Peekskill] and other parts of said County. That after the expiration of said period he was honorably discharged at Pecks Kill in April 1781 and returned home to Poundridge aforesaid.

That on or about the first of August 1781 he again entered the service as a private in the company and regiment aforesaid and continued in actual service in the field for the term of three months and was honorably discharged at Pecks Kill in said County.

That for a considerable portion of the time the s'd company was commanded by Lieut Mosure and were out on various tours of duty along the North River between Mount Pleasant and Fish Kill in Dutchess County.

And the declarant further saith that in the year 1782, but he cannot recollect the precise time but believes the same to be in the month of July. He was called into actual service in the Company commanded by Capt William Fancher in the Regiment aforesaid and was marched to Bedford, North Castle & other places in said County of Westchester and continued in actual service in said company for the period of three month sand was honourable discharged at Poundridge aforesaid.

And the declarant further saith that he always resided at Poundridge aforesaid when he entered service as aforesaid.

That he was never drafted nor served as a substitute but always entered the service as a volunteer.

That he was in an engagement with the enemy at a place called Wrights Mills near the White Plains and had several skirmishes with detachment of the British forces in other parts of s'd County of Westchester.

That the declarant served in the Regiment of Col. Thomas Thomas and in the Companies of Capt. Samuel Lewis and Capt William Fancher—and sometimes Lieut Mosier commanded the detachment to which the declarant belonged.

That General McDougall, Col. Crane, Col. Drake and other officers whose names the declarant cannot now recollect were with the troops where the declarant served. And in answer to the Interrogatories prescribed by the War Department, the declarant on his oath saith—

1<sup>st</sup> That he was born in the town of Poundridge in the said County of Westchester on the twenty seventh day of March in the year 1764.

2<sup>d</sup> That he has a Record of his age in the family Bible of his late father Jesse Hoyt dec'd, now in possession of his brother Criglsy Hoyt at Poundridge aforesaid.

3<sup>d</sup> That he always resided in said town of Poundridge.

4<sup>th</sup> That he volunteered his services in the several terms of duty above set forth but more particularly from whom he received.

5<sup>th</sup> His orders he is unable to state. That he served under the officers above named but generally speaking the declarant was out with a detachment from the said Regiment of Col. Thomas—Several other officers the declarant knew who were with the troops whose names he cannot now more particularly recollect.

6<sup>th</sup> That he received a written discharge at Peeks Kill as herein before stated which is lost—and was verbally discharged at the other times herein mentioned at Poundridge by the commanding officer of said company. And that while in the service as aforesaid the declarant was not engaged in any civil pursuit.

That he has no documentary evidence of his services, and he has made inquiries and cannot find any other persons to testify to his services other than Abigail Hoyt, & Deborah Furman and [?] Jacob Hoyt.

That he is known in his present neighborhood to Amos Dixon and Horatio Lockwood who can testify as to his character for veracity and that he is reputed and believed to have been a soldier of the Revolution.

He hereby relinquishes every claim 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) Nathaniel Hoyt

Sworn to this 30<sup>th</sup> September 1836 in open court before me. John H. Smith  
Clerk