

### **Pension Application for Gottlieb Krack or Krach**

W.24771 (Widow: Elizabeth) Married in the summer of the last year of the war, she thinks in July. Gottlieb died October 1833.

To the Hon. John C. Calhoun Secretary of the Department of War of the United States.

The Petition and Declaration of Godleb Krack of the Town of Minden in the County of Montgomery and State of New York aged 61 years and upwards on oath setteth forth and Declares that he enlisted, in the month of April 1778, as a private soldier in Captain Bleeckers Company in Col. VanSchaick's Regiment of the New York Line of Continental Troops and that he continued to serve in said Company and Regiment untill the close of the Revolutionary war, when he received an honorable discharge, signed by his Excellency Geo. Washington which said discharge is in the words and figure following (to wit)

*"By his Excellency, George Washington Esqr General and Commander in Chief of the forces of the United States of America. These are to certify that the Bearer hereof, Godleb Kraek [sic]—Soldier in the first New York Regiment having faithfully served the United States Five years, and being enlisted for the war only is hereby discharged from the American Army."*

*"Given at Head-quarters the 8<sup>th</sup> June 1782—George Washington. By his Excellency's command J. Trumbull Jun Secy"*

And the said Godleb Fraek further says that he was at the Taking of Burgoyne and his army—that he was at the Battle of White Plains—and at the surrender of Cornwallis and a variety of skirmishes—and the said Godleb farther says, that he is entirely destitute of property and possesses no other means of subsistence than the labour of his hands and that he is absolutely in need of assistance from his country for support.

And the said Godleb further says that he is advised that it is in the power of the Hon. the Secretary at war, by a late act of Congress to place certain soldiers of the Revolutionary War in the Pension List of the United States—And the said Godleb prays the Secretary to place him on the Pension List accordingly and in duty bound will ever pray. (Signed) Gottlieb Frack

Sworn & subscribed April 3d 1818 before me James S. Campbell one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in & for the County of Otsego in the State of New York.