

Pension Application for Abraham G. Lansing

W.15840 (Widow: Susanna) Abraham G. Lansing and Susanna Yates were married April 9, 1779. Abraham died September 5, 1834. On April 18 1833, Abraham's annual rate was \$480. February 21, 1840, Susanna died, leaving the following surviving children: Gerrit Y. Lansing, Cornelius D. R. Lansing, Sanders Lansing Junr, Christopher Y. Lansing, Barent B. Lansing, Sarah B. Lansing, Susan Gansevoort wife of Peter Gansevoort, George Lansing and Abraham Y.L;ansing. Cornelius D. Lansing died 1849.

State of New York

City and County of Albany SS

Abraham Lansing of the City of Albany in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 makes the following Declaration being first sworn.

That he was born in the said City of Albany on the eleventh day of December one thousand seven hundred and fifty six and is no upwards of seventy six years of age. That he has always resided in the State of New York and is now a Resident of the City of Albany aforesaid.

That in the month of April as he verily believes one thousand seven hundred and seventy seven he was appointed a Deputy Muster Master in the army under the command of General Philip Schuyler Commander in Chief of the Northern Department and as he believes received a Commission for said office signed by General Philip Schuyler and by John Lansing Junr as Secretary. That said Commission is now lost destroyed or mislaid. That during the said year one thousand seven hundred and seventy seven He in concert with Richard Frank of the City of New York now deceased who then acted in the capacity of Muster Master General and Richard Lush late of the City of Albany deceased who then acted as a Deputy Muster Master mustered (among others) the garrisons at Ticonderoga and Mount Independence under General Arthur A. Clair the garrison at Lake George under the command of Major Christopher P. Yates of the first New York Regiment and at Fort Edward under the command of Captain McCracken.

That the Muster Rolls were taken by the said Richard Varick. That he received pay as such Deputy Muster Master from Colonel William Barber in certificates which he sold. That there are not any of his Cotemporaries now living whom he recollects who can furnish evidence of his said service.

That in the month of October in the year aforesaid He by the order of General Schuyler took charge of the Arms of the Army under general Burgoine after his surrender on the field and collected the said arms and had then fourwarded [sic] to the City of Albany taken to the Armory there and had them repaired. And in the Spring of the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy eight.

He by the orders of said General Schuyler took the laid arms to General McDougal at Fishkill & by his orders took them to the Commander in Chief General Washington then at Valley Forge and understood they were taken from thence to Penny Peckers Mills in the vicinity of Valley Forge. That the said arms were under his

direction taken from Albany to Newburgh in the Magazine Sloop (General Gates) and from Newburgh in eighteen Pennsylvania [Pennsylvania] Waggon. That he remained at Valley Forge about a fortnight.

That he never resigned or gave up his said Commission as Muster Master nor was he suspended discharged or removed according to the best of his information & belief and acted as a Deputy Commissary of Militia Stores under Philip VanRensselaer in the City of Albany.

That his pay as Deputy Muster Master was as he believes forty Dollars per month and three Rations. That according to the best of his belief he served as an officer in during the War of the Revolution more than two years. That he is well acquainted with Charles E. Dudley and Gerrit Y. Lansing Esquires now at the City of Albany and thereon he would refer as to his character for veracity.

That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a Pension or an Annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of any State. (Signed) Abm G. Lansing

Sworn this 10th day of January 1833 before me. Gerritt L. Dox, Just. Peace