

Pension Application for Gerrit or Garrett G. Lansing

S.428111

B.L.Wt.1265-150-Ensign. Issued Jan 22, 1791. No Papers.

State of New York, Oneida Common Pleas SS.

On this eleventh day of December 1821 personally appeared in open Court of Common Pleas in and for said County being a Court of Record, Colo Gerrit G. Lansing aged 61 years resident in Whitestown in said county, who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows.

He was appointed an Ensign in Captain as follows. He was appointed an Ensign in Captain Henry Tiebout's Company Col. Peter Gansevoort's Regiment and B. General James Clinton's Brigade in the New York line, by commission bearing date the 6th February 1779 signed by John Jay President of Congress; he was with that Regiment in General Sullivan's [Sullivan's] Western expedition and served in said Regiment until the New York line in the Army of the United States was consolidate[d] into two Regiments after which he served in Colo VanSchaick's Regiment till the close of the war, except that he served one campaign in a Battalion of Light Infantry commanded by Colo. Philip Cortlandt and one Campaign in a Battalion of Light Infantry commanded by Colo Alexander Hamilton, with whom he was at the seige [siege] of York in Virginia and engaged in storming the Redoubt before the surrender of Lord Cornwallis.

He left the army as the other officers did at Newburgh at the close of the war in 1783.

That he is by occupation a Farmer; having by unfortunate events become so much embarrassed in his pecuniary concerns as to render it necessary that he should place his property in the hands of Assignees, and did accordingly on the 10th of October execute an assignment of all his real & personal property for the benefit of his creditors, excepting the articles mentioned in the Schedule hereunto annexed. Having this day arrived to the age of sixty one years, subjected to the infirmities usually attending that stage in life with periodical attacks of the gout and having to support himself and his wife, who is the daughter of Colo Edward Antill of the Revolutionary Army, and who is rendered incapable of manuel [manual] labor by reason of a fall which fractured her right arm, & collar bone and injured her shoulder, so that from every appearance she will be maimed for the remainder of her life.

He therefore conceives himself justly entitled to the allowance made by the act of Congress entitled "An Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land and Naval Service of the United States in the Revolutionary War. (Signed) G. G. Lansing.

Sworn in open Court 11 Decr 1821. M. S. Miller first Judge of Oneida.

Letter in folder dated August 16, 1938, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your letter in which you request the Revolutionary War record of Gerrit G. Lansing, who served from Albany County, New York and later resided in Utica, New York.

The data which follow were obtained from the papers on file in Revolutionary War pension claim, S.42811, based upon the military service in that war of Gerrit G. Lansing.

The date and place of birth and names of the parents of Gerrit G. Lansing are not shown.

Gerrit G. Lansing was commissioned February 6, 1779, ensign in Captain Henry Tiebout's Company, Colonel Peter Gansevoort's New York Regiment; his place of residence at that time was not shown; with his regiment, he participated in General Sullivan's western expedition, served in said regiment and in Colonel VanSchaicks 1st New York Regiment and left the service at the close of the war in 1783; during his service, he was at one time, dates not given, in a battalion of light infantry commanded by Colonel Philip VanCortlandt and at another time in a similar battalion, commanded by Colonel Alexander Hamilton and while under the officer last named, was at the siege of Yorktown and surrender of Lord Cornwallis.

He was allowed one hundred fifty acres of bounty land on Warrant No.1265, issued January 22, 1781.

Gerrit G. Lansing was allowed pension on his application executed December 1, 1821, at which time he was aged sixty or sixty-one years and resided in Whitestown, Oneida County, New York. He was referred to as Colonel Lansing, no explanation for the title given.

In 1828, he was residing in Oriskany, New York and was Deputy Postmaster of that place. He was also Treasurer of the Oriskany Manufacturing Company.

He married the daughter of Colonel Edward Antil, her Christian name, date and place of her birth and date of their marriage not shown, nor is there any reference to children.