

Pension Application for Francis Lecoste or Lecost

S.42834

State of New York
Orange County SS.

On this First day of June one Thousand eight hundred and twenty in open court, to wit, the Court of Common Pleas this day holden at the Court House in the town of Goshen in and for the County aforesaid, the said Court being a Court of Record by virtue of the Statutes and constitution of the State aforesaid personally appeared Francis Lecoste, aged between sixty and seventy years resident in the town of Warwick in said County who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath declare that he served in in the Revolutionary War as follows, to wit, in the Second Congress Regiment, commanded by Colonel Hazen under Captain Olive, for about seven years.

That the date of his original declaration is the tenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and eighteen. That the number of his Pension Certificate is 8048.

And the said Francis Lecoste in open court as aforesaid doth take the following oath to wit.—

“I Francis Lecoste do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the eighteenth day of March one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof, with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an 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”—Passed as the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed.

And the said Francis Lecoste in open court as aforesaid produces the following schedule, that is to say, 1st I have one Cow, one Heifer, four acres of land, one Axe, Broad Hoe, Half Dog [?] old table Fero? Old plates 1 knives and forks, griddle, kettle seven old chairs, chest old dresser. 2nd debts due to me \$4.00. 3rd I owe different persons upwards of \$50.00 and the said Francis Lecoste further states that his occupation is that of a farmer.

That he is able to work but little on account of Rheumatism.

That the number of his family residing with him is three—his wife Mary aged fifty eight, very weakly and unable to cook. His daughter Hitty aged thirteen able to work, his daughter [Furia?] aged seventeen able to work. (Signed with his mark) Francis Lecoste

Sworn in open court on the first day of June 1820 before Nathan H. [Vteile?] Stephen Jackson & Samuel S. Seroacd. Esquires Judges. Jas W. Wilken Clk.

Letter in folder dated October 7, 1926, written in response to an inquiry.

I have to advise you from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim S.42834, it appears that Francis Lecoste or Lecost enlisted in the state of New York

and served in Captain Olivia's Company, Colonel Hazen's Continental Regiment, he was in the battle of Brandywine, and at the surrender of Cornwallis, and served seven years.

He was allowed pension on his application executed April 10, 1818, while a resident of orange County, New York, aged sixty-five years.

In 1820, soldier was living in Warwick, Orange County, New York, and referred to his wife, Mary, aged fifty-eight years, and to daughters, Anna, aged seventeen years, and Hitty (?), aged thirteen years.

Soldier died July 18, 1837, leaving children, no names stated. There is no further data o file as to family.

The above noted Francis Lecoste (all spellings of that name searched) is the only soldier of that name found on the Revolutionary War records of this Bureau.