

Pension Application for Isaac Lent

S.13736

On the Twenty fourth day of August in the year 1832 personally appeared before me Ralsaman C. Austin a Commissioner to perform the Duties of a Judge of the Supreme Court of the State of New York residing in the town of Courtlandt in the County of Westchester Isaac Lent of the said town of Courtlandt aged sixty seven years last January 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 7th 1832.

I first entered the service of the United States in the same year in which Cornwallis was Captured by enlisting for 9 months into Capt Sacketts Company of Rangers in the Regular Line of State troops of New York in Col. VanDuyck's Regiment.

I served out my period of enlistment in ranging from one place to another from the North River to the East and various places in the County of WestChester and was in the skirmish at Mile Square when our party was surrounded by Col. Holmes & his Tories and cut our way thro them killed one man and wounded citizen and was finally regularly discharged after having faithfully served out the period of my enlistment.

In addition to this service I was frequently called out at alarms in various quarters of the Country –the time I was engaged in this service would in my belief according to my best recollection amount in the whole to more than three months.

And I do further relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declare that my name is not on the pension Roll of the agency of any State and I do further declare that I have no documentary evidence relating to my enlistment services or Discharge.

In answer to the Interrogatories recommended by the War Department I answer as follows.

I was born in the year 1765 according to the best information I have, in the town of Cortlandt aforesaid

My age was recorded in a bible kept at my Father's house, but in the taking down at some part of my Father's house for the purposes of repair it was either lost or destroyed & I have caused my age to be sit down on a family piece is now hanging up in my house in said town of Courtlandt—

I lived in the said town of Courtlandt when I entered the service and have ever since the revolutionary war lived in said town with the exception of two years I lived in Phillipstown in the County of Putnam and about seven years in the County of Orange—I now live in said town of Courtlandt—

I was called into the service by having voluntarily enlisted in the manner before detailed excepting where I was called out in alarms and on scouting parties.

I recollect that Col. Hamilton, Major Fish, Major Trescot & Col. Putnam were with the troops where I served.

And the general circumstances of my service are herein before detailed.

I have no documentary evidence relating to my enlistment services or Discharge—

The names of persons in my present neighbourhood to whom I am known and who can testify to my character for veracity and their belief of my services as a soldier of the Revolution are Gen. Piette VanCourtlandt and St. Joh Constant Esquire of the said town of Courtlandt. (Signed with his mark) Isaac Lent

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid before me. H. G. Austin
Commissioner to perform Duties of a Judge of the Supreme Court of the State of New York – 24th Aug. 1832.

Letter in folder dated May 4, 1928, written in response to an inquiry.

I advise you from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim, S.13736, it appears that Isaac Lent was born in January, 1765 at Courtland, Westchester County, New York.

While a resident of said Cortland, he enlisted in 1781 and served nine months in Captain Sackett's Company, Colonel Van Duyck's New York Regiment and was in a skirmish at Mile Square.

He was out at various times on alarms and scouting parties, in all about three months, no officers stated.

He was allowed pension on his application executed August 24, 1832, while a resident of Cortland, New York.

It is not stated that soldier was married.