

Pension Application for John Lester or Lustor

S.42844

Letter in folder dated March 3, 1937, written in response to an inquiry.

The data contained herein were obtained from the papers on file in the Revolutionary War claim for pension, S.42844, based upon the military service of John Lester in that war.

The date and place of birth and the names of the parents of John Lester are not shown.

John Lester enlisted, date, and place not stated, served one year In Captain Benjamin Pelton's Company, Colonel Weisenfels' New York Regiment and was in the battle of White Plains. He enlisted January 1, 1777, served six years, five months and nine days, and to the close of the war, as private in Captain Jacob Wright's Company, Colonel Philip VanCortland's Second New York Regiment and was in the battle of Trenton, Saratoga, Monmouth and at the taking of Lord Cornwallis.

He was allowed pension on his application executed April 18, 1818, at which time he was aged about sixty-eight years and a resident of New Paltz, Ulster County, New York.

In 1820 he was living in Benton, Ontario County, New York.

He died December 2, 1821, place not given.

In 1820 all the children of soldier were married, no names were stated. The name of soldier's wife is onto given, and there are no further family data.