

Pension Application for Cornelius Longedyck

S.13767

Declaration of Cornelius Longdyck in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress of the 7th June 1832.

State of New York

Ulster County SS

On this Eleventh day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two personally appeared in open Court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the County of Ulster aforesaid now sitting Cornelius Longedyck a resident of the town of Saugerties and County of Ulster aforesaid aged seventy four years 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.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served in the manner and at the times herein after stated.

That he was born in the town of Kingston County of Ulster aforesaid – in that portion of the town which has within a few years been set off and designated as the town of Saugerties.

That sometime in December in the year 1776 as he thinks and believes the militia being ordered out to proceed to Rampough in the State of New Jersey he was drafted at Kingston and proceeded with his company commanded by Captain John S. Dewitt In the _____ regiment commanded by Colonel Snyder to Rampough on the West Side of the Hudson in the State of New Jersey marching through the county of Orange and a place called Smith's Corr – and that he there regularly served under his aforesaid commanders for the term of twenty six days.

That many of his neighbors and towns near accompanied him in this expedition among whom now living is Peter C. Brink of this vicinity.

That sometime in April in the year 1777 he enlisted as a volunteer at Kingston in a company of New York Militia under the command of John S. Dewitt in a regiment commanded by Colonel Snyder for the term of four months.

That this deponent left Kingston under the command of Lieutenant Snyder with the company in a sloop belonging to Peter Post for Fort Montgomery.

That at Fort Montgomery he joined his regiment under the command of Colonel Snyder.

That General Clinton, Colonel Dubois, and Lieutenant Colonel Bruyn were among the regular officers stationed there at the time this deponent served at that place. That he duly served his full period of enlistment namely four months and was then regular discharged at the fort and returned home.

That the following named persons now living accompanied him in this service namely John Brink, William Myer, Tjinck Burhans and Peter J. Winne who can testify to his service as aforesaid.

That after his discharge at Fort Montgomery he returned home—and after remaining home—and after remaining home for two or three days he was drafted in a

company of N York Militia in the early part of August in the year 1777 then called Kingston in the County of Ulster aforesaid.

That this deponent left Saugerties then called Kingston under the command of his said Captain with his company in a sloop for Albany—That the regiment to which he belonged was commanded by Colonel Graham—Their Brigadier General name was Glover—

They left Albany immediately after their arrival in the same day from whence they proceeded to Schenectady and thence marched to Half Moon whence they marched to Schoicks Island where they remained encamped about a month.

That they then left that last mentioned place and marched to Stillwater where they came up with the British General Burgoyne who retreated to Saratoga the American Army in which this deponent was serving, remained at Stillwater about one month and then went to Saratoga this deponent was present at Burgoyne's surrender as prisoner on the eighteenth of October the day after the surrender of Burgoyne the regiment to which this deponent belonged and in which he then served marched to Albany and arrived there on the morning of the Twentieth after having been marched all the prisoners day and night.—

That after remaining there a few days the exact number this deponent does not distinctly recollect they left Albany and marched on the west side of the Hudson River down to Hurley in Ulster County when he was regularly discharged together with the rest of his company in the early part of November after having served three months being the term for which he was drafted.

That several of his townsmen were with him in this service among whom was Peter J. Winn now living who will testify to his service as aforesaid.

And this deponent farther saith that sometime in September of the year 1778 he was again drafted as a militia man in a company under the command of Captain Schoonmaker. That he joined his company at Shandaken in said County of Ulster there one of the frontier settlements where he was stationed in a regiment under the command of Colonel Snyder to protect the inhabitants from the incursion of the Indians.

That he served in said Company for the term of one month when he was regularly discharged at Little Shandaken in said County which was then the head quarters of the regiment. That several of his townsmen & neighbours accompanied him in this expedition among whom was William Mmyer now living in this vicinity. And this deponent further saith that sometime in August in the year 1779 he was drafted as a militia man at Kingston and went in a company commanded by Captain Abraham VanAken of the New York militia and in the regiment commanded by Colonel Albert Pawling.

That this deponent marched with the company to the regiment which was then lying in Shandaken Ulster County—That immediately on joining the regiment they were marched to join General Sullivan then in the interior of the State of New York or Pennsylvania through the county of Delaware to a place then called Tuscarora at which place they learnt that General Sullivan was several days March ahead and the

provisions of the regiment being nearly exhausted. They were ordered back to Shendaken at which place this deponent was regularly discharged after a service of at last but as this deponent think[s] & believes more than three weeks.

That several of his neighbors accompanied him in this excursion among whom is Jacob Brink now living in this vicinity who will give his evidence in support of this service.

And this deponent farther says that in August in the year 1780 he enlisted at Kingston in a company of Rangers commanded by Captain Westbrook of the New York Militia of which company _____ Hommel was the lieutenant and regularly served in said company for the space of three months along the frontier settlements as they then were in the western and south western parts of this county and that after a service of three months he was regularly discharged in Marbletown in said in said County of Ulster.

That several of this deponents neighbours and townsmen accompanied him in this expedition among whom were John C. Brink, William Longyear and Abraham Dewitt some of whom he hopes to obtain to substantiate this portion of his declaration.

And this deponent further saith that he was born in that portion of the County of Ulster then in the town of Kingston but now called Saugerties and that he has resided there on service until this time. That he never received any written discharge and that he has no documentary evidence of his services as herein set forth but that he will be able to furnish evidence of said services by the affidavits of some of the persons who served with him at various times herein mentioned who are now yet living.

And this deponent hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any state. (Signed) Cornelius Longdyck

Sworn to the 11th Sep. 18032.

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