

Pension Application for Thomas Marinus

W.26229 (Widow: Mary) September 16, 1793, Mary Staly and Thomas Marinus were married by Rev. Mr. Breffle at the house of Mr. Schoolcraft, Fox's Creek in County of Schoharie. Thomas died August 7, 1826, aged 69.

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Jeremiah Morenus born July 22, 1796

Martain Morenus born April 22, 1800

Poley or Polly Morenus born July 25, 1806

State of New York

County of Otsego SS.

On this Twentieth day of March A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty five, before me personally appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace within and for the County and State aforesaid, Mary Marinus aged 85 years, a resident of Oneonta, in the County and State aforesaid, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that she is the widow of Thomas Marinus, deceased, who was a Private in the company commanded by Captain Isaac Bogart in the Regiment of Militia commanded by Colonel John Harper in the Revolutionary War, also that he was a Private in the company commanded by Captain Jacob Hagar in the Regiment of Militia commanded by Colonel Peter Vrooman in the Revolutionary War, that her said husband enlisted at Schoharie in said State of New York, but at what time she is unable to tell, but that he was in actual service in said war in the years, A.D. 1778, 1779, and 1780, as will appear by reference to the Certificate of the Comptroller of the State of New York of the service of her said husband now on file in the Pension Office at the City of Washington with her application for a Pension for the above services of her said husband; that for said services she was placed on the Pension List at the rate of Eighty Dollars per annum under the acts of Congress of July 7, 1838, March 3, 1843, June 17 1844, and February 2, 1848, that she now has in her possession the Pension Certificate issued under said Act of February 2, 1848.

She further states that she was married to the said Thomas Marinus at the house of one Mr. Schoolcraft at Fox's Creek in the County of Schoharie in the said State of New York on the 16th day of September, A.D. 1793, by one Mr. Breffle a High Dutch Clergyman, and that her name before her said marriage was Mary Staly; that her said husband died at Oneonta aforesaid on the 7th day of August A.D. 1826, and that she is now a widow, that there is no Record of said marriage in existence.

She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the County land to which she may be entitled under the act approved March 3, 1855. (Signed with her mark) Mary Marinus

In a supporting deposition by Eliahim R. Ford of Oneonta October 25, 1850: *"And this declarant further saith that he was well acquainted with the said Thomas Marinus for the period of four or five years immediately preceding the death of the said Thomas Marinus, and that he has often seen the scars upon the back of the said Thomas Marinus, which scars he was informed by the said Thomas Marinus were*

caused & made by whipping severely the said Thomas Marinus while a Prisoner of War in Canada.”