

Pension Application for Daniel Martine

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State of New York

County of Sullivan SS.

On this 6th day of January in the year 1833 personally appeared before Samuel Smith one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of said County being a Court of record, Daniel Martine a resident of the town of Mamakating & County of Sullivan & State of New York aged eighty 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 7, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following names officers and served as herein states.

That on the first of January 1777 he resided in the town of Patterson then Dutchess County & State of New York and on that day as Lieutenant of a Company of Militia under Capt. Nathaniel Scribner (as pronounced) in a regiment commanded by Col. Henry Luddington. He was ordered out with the rest of the company, by his superior officers and served in defence of his country as such Lieutenant for one month & a half from that date.

That at this time he marched to Valentine's Hill in Westchester County and served said time there. That in the month of April in the same year he was again ordered out with the residue of the regiment & went to Fredericksburgh expecting to meet there the enemy from Danbury immediately after the burning of same on the 27th April and marched from there to Ridgefield where they overtook the british & had an engagement with them & saw at that place 17 of the enemy buried in one place or hole & 5 of our men over near in another place. That he served at this time eight days.

That sometime about the first of May of that year after his return home from last services he moved with his family into Westchester County and in the month of June of that year he volunteered into a company of minute men to serve nine months as a private soldier in a company commanded by Capt. Michael Townsend. The other officers names he does not recollect except William Martine who was lieutenant.

That he continued to serve as such volunteer during said nine months as a minute man. That he was out in actual service as much as one half of the time during said nine months and was obliged to be & was at all times ready to go into actual service & under martial law at all times during said nine months.

That in the year 1779 while his residence was in Westchester County at a place called Courtlandt Manor and as believes in the town of Crumb Point (then so called) he was Lieutenant under Capt. Samuel Hoyt he was ordered out with the whole company under Col. Samuel Drake he served as such Lieutenant (in the militia) for the share of three months in guarding the shore along the North River in Westchester County. Solomon Purdy was the other Lieutenant—but cannot recollect the other officers. He served at this period from Peekskill to Sing Sing to prevent incursions of the enemy. That this latter service was in the latter part of the summer & in the fall of the year and all at one period.

That from the last of the year 1779 to March in the year 1783 he served as Lieutenant in said company commanded by said Captain Hoyt under Col. Samuel Drake for the share of fifteen months at least but he cannot at this time state the dates & particulars of the same from & owing to old age & loss of memory.

That he served in said Country of Westchester this last period of time. That during said service he became acquainted with Major Waxfield who commanded regular or Continental soldiers. That he also knew Colonel Graham who commanded a regiment at White Plains.

That he herewith transmits several Class nights? (so called) which were made during said service & which he has preserved together with his commissions as Lieutenant.

That the reason of his having two commissions is that he moved out of the beat of the company in which he was first commissioned.

That he has no other documentary evidence of his service never having had any discharge and that he knows of no person except Thomas Martine whose testimony he can procure & who can testify to his service.

He 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 the agency of any state.

And further that he was born in the year 1749 and has a record of his age in a Bible at his home & now present. That since the revolutionary war he resided for a short period at White Plains, at North Castle, at Bethel in Orange County, and next in Mamakating In Sullivan County & State of New York where he now resides & has resided for 38 years last Spring.

That he received a commission from Nath'l Woodhull & also from George Clinton.

That he knows of no clergyman & does not believe there is any living who can certify to his service or any general reputation of same. But that he is known to Maher W. Horton Sheriff of said County & Jonathan O. Dunning a respectable farmer and many others who can testify to his character for truth and veracity & their belief of his services as a soldier in the revolution. (Signed) Daniel Martine

Sworn before me the day & year first above written. Samuel Smith oen of the Judges for the County aforesaid.