

Pension Application for Robert McCreery

R.6669 (Widow: Esther)

State of New York

Orange County SS.

On this seventh day of August 1841 personally appeared before me the undersigned one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas [Pleas] in and for the County of Orange Esther McCreery a resident of said County in said State aged seventy five years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed July 7, 1838 entitled and act granting half pay and pension s to certain widows.

That she is the widow of Robert McCreery who was a soldier & served as follows In the War of the Revolution as she has understood from her said husband & other that in the year 1776 her husband entered the service under Capt. Graham's & served about five months & that he done some service the same year under Capt. Milliam that in the year 1777 he was in service again with Capt. Graham about three months & until Fort Montgomery was taken when Graham went to the British & the said McCreery continued in the service under Lieuts Samuel Barkley & Joseph Crqawford the father of the applicant but how long she is unable to state.

That in the year 1778 her husband entered the service under Capt William Cross & must have served as much as six months upon alarms & otherwise during that year.

That in the year 1779 he was under Capt Cross again for about five months or more on alarms on the western frontiers in Ulster County to guard the inhabitants against the Incursions & that he was in the service the most of the war but under what officers she is unable to state. She further declares that she was married to the said Robert McCreery on the 5th of January 1792 by the revered [Reverend] Andrew King pastor of the Presbyterian Church in the town of Montgomery in said county. That her first child was still born the 11th day of March 1793 that her son Joseph her second child was born the 2d of March 1794 & was christened at the Hopewell Church in the town of Montgomery then but now Crawford & that her husband the said Robert McCreery died on the 6th day of December 1801 & that she has not married to time prior to his leaving the service but that her marriage took place prior to the first of January 1794 viz at the time above stated. (Signed with her mark) Esther McCreery

Sworn & subscribed before me the time above stated by making her mark she being unable to write her name & I further certify that she is credible witness and that from age & infirmity she appears unable to attend the session of the court. HW Elliott
Judge of Orange Com Pleas