

Pension Application for John McDougal

S.42957

State of New York

County of Schenectady SS.

On this fifteenth day of May 1820 personally appeared before me, James V.S. Ryley one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of said County John McDougal a Pensioner under the act of the 17th day of March 1818, certificate dated April 17, 1820 No. 9479 aged upwards Eighty years resident in the County of Schenectady who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath, declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows: enlisted in Capt. McKeans Company, VanSchaick's Regt 1779 on the establishment, transferred to Capt. VanRanselaer's Company served three years six months and discharged.

And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident of the United States on the eighteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, and that I have not, since that time, by gift, sale, or in any manner whatever, disposed of my property, or any part thereof, with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress, entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war," passed on the eighteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, and that I have not, nor has any person in trust for me, any property or securities, contracts, or debts due to me; nor have I any income, other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed.

Schedule

Real Estate—None

Personal Estate—None

Income none having been assisted by the Poor charities

Occupation – None.

Family	Years
John McDougal – myself	aged upwards 80
Elizabeth Wife—	upwards seventy eight 78
Hugh son Married – Ohio	36
George Son Do Do	29
Joseph Son Do Do	27

Sworn to and declares on the 15th day of May 1820 before me James V.S. Ryley, one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas, examined and approved in Open Court, May 18th 1820. John McDougal

I, Jelles A. Fonda, clerk of the county of Schenectady, do hereby certify, that the foregoing oath, and the schedule thereto annexed, are truly copied from the record of the said court; and I do further certify, that it is the opinion of the said court, that the total amount in value of property exhibited in the aforesaid schedule is [blank] dollars and [blank] cents In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the seal of the said county, on this [?] day of June 1820. Jesses A. Fonda, Clerk of the County of Schenectady.

Letter in folder dated January 5, 1935, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your letter in which you request the Revolutionary War record of John McDougall who served from New York State.

The record of John McDougall is given herein as found in the papers on file in his claim for pension, S.42957, based upon his service in that war; his name is shown also as McDougel.

John McDougall, or McDougel, enlisted sometime in 1777, served as private and corporal in Captain Robert McKean's and Captain VanRensselaer's companies, Colonel VanSchaick's New York regiment and was discharged sometime in 1780, having served three years and six months. During the period of this service, he was in the retreat from Ticonderoga, was at Fort Stanwix while it was besieged, was then sent to Valley Forge, thence to White Plains, was in the battle of Monmouth and was later stationed on the North River and Mohawk River.

He was allowed pension on his application executed April 27, 1818, at which time he resided in Duanesburg, Schenectady County, New York. He was then aged "seventy-seven years and upwards"; the date and place of his birth and names of his parents are not shown.

On 1820, the soldier stated that his wife, Elizabeth, was aged "seventy-eight years upwards", and gave the names of his sons as follow:

Hugh 36 years, married—Ohio.

George 29 years, married—Ohio.

Joseph 27 years, married—Ohio.

The maiden name of soldier's wife, the date and place of her birth, and date of their marriage are not shown.