

### **Pension Application for Patrick McFall**

W.18497 (Widow: Christina)

Declaration. In order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed July 7<sup>th</sup> 1838. Entitled, "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows."

State of New York

Columbia County SS.

On this 28<sup>th</sup> day of February 1843 before me, William E. Heath, one of the Justices of the Justices Court of the City of Hudson in said county, the same being a court of Record personally appeared Christina McFall widow of Patrick McFall, late a pensioner of the United States, aged 74 years, who being first duly sworn, doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed July 7, 1838 entitled "an act, granting half pay & pensions to certain widows".

That she is the widow of Patrick McFall, late a pensioned of the United States, whose evidence on file in the pension office she refers to to show his services in the War of the Revolution. That her husband died the 3d March 1841.

That she was married to the said Patrick McFall the 8<sup>th</sup> day of April seventeen hundred and eighty eight or about. That she was not married to said Patrick McFall prior to his leaving the service but the marriage took place previous to the first day of January 1794. Viz at the time above stated.

That she was married by Revd W. Gebhard in Claverack Church where a record of her marriage will be found as she believes—and the above statement of her marriage may not be [?] & she refers to the record in the said church upon which she relies. She has no family record. (Signed with her mark) Christina McFall

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 28<sup>th</sup> February 1843. Wm. E. Heath, Justice.

State of New York

Columbia County SS.

On this eighth day of August 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Justices of the Justices Court in the City of Hudson in the County and State aforesaid now sitting Patrick McFall a Resident of the Town of Claverack in the County & State aforesaid aged seventy two 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<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States in the Malitia of the State of New York in the Town of Livingston in in [sic] said County under Capt John Shaver Major Samuel Ten Broeck, Colonel Henry Livingston but Livingston did not go first march'd to Saratoga by the way of Albany and her remained there about six weeks—

Again went from the Town of Livingston under Capt. Shaver, Lieutenant John Shirts thinks the company to which he was attach'd was the only one ordered from the town where he then resided thinks these were the field officers went with him was put

under the command of Colonel Scuyler [Schuyler] when they arrived at Stillwater and remained there two months it was in the Fall of the year does not recollect the year.

Went again he thinks the same Fall under the same officers to Schenectady and remained there three weeks.

Went again under Capt Shaver from the Town of Livingston in the County aforesaid and march'd to Albany in Albany County and remained in the Barracks there waiting to be ordered farther on about three & a half weeks and was ten sent back, this was the year following the service at Schenectady.

Went again under Capt Shaver in the Fall of the yaer and marched to Ballston and remained there one month being daily—drilled by his officers as the end of one month he returned home—after this service this deponent was five times ordered to FishKill and was absent four days at each time was also out on night watches and [??] that he was Corporal in the service all the time he was in the service. Does not remember any Continent[al] Regiments with whom he served—that his memory is extremely bad and has no doubt but he served a much longer time than he stated, thinks he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no living witness by whom he can prove his service.

That he would refer the department for evidence of his character for truth and veracity to John J. Miller Esqr First Judge of the County Court in the County of Columbia—to Nathaniel Rowley and James Phillips.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to pension or annuity except for the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. (Signed) Patrick McFall

Sworn & Subscribed the day & year first above named. Hiram Wilbur, Clerk