

**Pension Application for John McNeal or McNeale**

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State of New York

County of Saratoga SS.

John McNeal being duly sworn says that he will be fifty nine years of age the twentieth day of this month—

That in the year 1776, he enlisted into a regiment, by what authority examined this deponent does not recollect; commanded by Col. James Clinton to serve for nine months in the revolutionary army of the United Sates and was attached to a company under the command of Captain Abraham Swartwout.

That he served that term of time faithfully at Fort Montgomery. That late in the fall of the same year, he again entered under the same captain into a regiment of Continental troops commanded by Col. Peter Gansvoort, to serve for three years. ; That this deponent was at the battle of Peekskill in the spring of the year 1777, at the time the British burned the American Stores.

That shortly after this went he went [sic] with a detachment of said Regiment to Fort Stanwick, and was in the fort when [?] by the British. That after a service at that fort of more than a year this deponent was permitted to return home, on account of disability and remained unable to do military duty till the year 1779, when he was discharged the army for inability .

And this deponent also says that he is so reduced in his circumstances as to require aid and support from his country being incapable of obtaining a livelihood by his labor, and that he has no papers relating to his enlistment or discharge.

Sworn this 4<sup>th</sup> day of November 1818 before me James Thompson, first Judge of Saratoga County