Pension Application for Usher Moore

S.11097 State of New York Orange County SS.

On this first day of September 1832 personally appeared before me John Hallock, Junr., one Judges of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Orange, Usher Moore & resident of the Town of Minisink, Orange County and State of New York, he being unable in consequence of bodily infirmities to attend before the Court which is in his county, aged seventy five 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 named officers, and served as herein stated, and the said Usher Moore deposeth & saith, that in the month of July he believes, in the year 1776, he entered, the service of the United States, by inlisting [enlisting] as a private in Capt. John Wood's Company, Col. Nicoll's Regiment in Gen. George Clinton's Division and that he served the said term at Fort Montgomery on the Hudson river, a part of the said term at Kings-Bridge near New York and the residue of the said term at White Plains where this deponent was discharged—and this deponent further saith, that in the month of August 1777, (according to his best recollection) he inlisted in Capt. John Wood's company, Col. McLaughlin's Regiment, Gen. Clinton's Division, and served to the end of the said term of three months, was stationed a part of the said term at Fort Montgomery, a part of the term fast Ramipo [Ramapo] and the residue of the said term of Eusopus, [Esopus] Ulster County, where this deponent was discharged—and this deponent further saith, that in the month of March in the year 1778 (according to his best recollection) he inlisted in Captain Moses Hetfield's Company (is not certain who commanded the Regiment) for one year, and sewed to the end of the said term of one year, was stationed apart of the said term, on the frontiers in the Settlements of Minisink & Peenpack in Orange County, and the residue of the said term at the Fortification at West Point on the Hudson River, where he was Discharged, the whole of his services amounting too [to] one year & eight months, in all of which services he served as principle, land that in no case he received a written discharge.

And he relinquishes every claim to a pension except the present. And this deponent further saith his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any state. (Signed with his mark) Usher Moore.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid before me John Hallack Jun. a Judge of Orange Com. Pleas

Letter in folder dated April 27, 1936, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your request for information in regard to Revolutionary War soldiers, William Vail, his son, William Vail, Jr., Gilbert Vail and his son, Joseph Vail, Samuel King and Usher Hampton Moore.

Because of the large number of requests for records of Revolutionary War soldiers and the lack of clerical force available for furnishing such information, it has been impossible to make a series of investigations and reports pertaining to soldiers of that war, for one person. The records of William Vail and Usher Moore are furnished herein as found in pension claims based upon their service in the Revolutionary War.

The data which follow were obtained from papers on file in the pension claim, R.10816, based upon the military service of William Vail.

He was born June 27, 1761, in Goshen, Orange County, New York. The names of his parents were not given.

While living in Goshen, New York, he enlisted October 7, 1777, and served at various times amounting to more than four months each year until the end of the Revolution, as private with the New York troops under Lieutenant McDowell, Captain John Jackson and Colonel Benjamin Tuston.

William Vail was allowed pension on his application executed February 12, 1833, at which time he was living at Hamptonburgh, Orange County, New York. In that year he stated that he had lived in Goshen ever since the Revolution with the exception of a few years.

William Vail died July 27, 1838, in Hamptonburgh, New York.

He married October 10, 1785, in Warwick, New York, Ruth Mapes who was born April 12, 1767. In 1839 she was living in Hamptonburgh, New York.

In 1839 their son, William B. Vail, was thirty-five years of age.

The soldier, William Vail, stated that one Usher H. Moore served in the Revolution at the same time that he did but in another company.

The papers in this claim contain no further data relative to the family of William Vail.

The data which follow were obtained from papers on file in the pension claim, S.11097, based upon the military service of Usher Moore. The names does not appear as Usher Hampton Moore.

Usher Moore was born in 1757 in Goshen, Orange County, New York. The names of his parents were not given. While a resident of Goshen, Orange County, New York, he enlisted and served as private with the New York troops as follows: from July, 1776, five months in Captain John Wood's company in Colonel; Nicoll's regiment; from August, 1777, three months in Captain John Wood's company in Colonel McLaughlin's regiment; from March 1776, one year in Captain Moses Hatfiield's company.

He was allowed pension on his application executed September 1, 1832, at which time he was living in Minisink, Orange County, New York, having moved there from Goshen.

Usher Moore died August 22, 1834.

The papers in this claim contain no data relative to his family.