

## **Pension Application for John Morrell**

S.43034

New York Mayor's Court.

In the Court of Common Pleas, called the Mayor's Court of the City of New York held at the City Hall, in and for the said City, before the To Judges of the same Court of June term, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty.

Present the honorable Peter A. Jay Esquire Recorder of the City of New York.

City of New York SS. Be it remembers that on the twenty sixth day of June I;nt he year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty personally appeared in the Court of Common Pleas, called the Mayor's Court of the City of New York, in open Court, the said court being a court of record for the city and County of New York, according to the charter of the said city and the laws of the state of New York, John Morrell aged seventy years, resident in the New Town Long Island and State of New York who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare, that he served in the revolutionary war as follows:

He enlisted on the eighteenth day of July 1775 as a private in the fourth Regiment of Infantry commanded by Colonel Holmes in the company commanded by Captain Woodward at NewTown, for six months, and served under them six months – On the twenty ninth day of February 1776 deponent again enlisted as a Corporal in the Continental Service under Captain Riker deponent believes it was the third Regiment of Infantry commanded by Colonel Richmore for one year, and on the seventh day of November 1776 deponent enlisted in the second Regiment of Infantry commanded by Colonel Philip VanCortlandt under Captain Hallet, but served his year out in the third Regiment.

Deponent was at the taking of St. Johns under Colonel Holmes in the year 1775. Deponent was at the battle of White Plains in 1776 under Capt'n Riker and Colonel Richmore—deponent saith he was at the taking of Burgoyne at Saratoga in the year 1777 under Captain Hallet and Colonel VanCortlandt—deponent was at the battle of Monmouth in the year 1778 under Colonel VanCortlandt and Captain Hallet from there the army went to [Mombaccus?] near Esopus and there the army went in to winter quarters—and in the spring of the year 1779 the army marched through the Indian Countries under General Sullivan and returned to Morristown, New Jersey in the same year and lay in huts during the winter of the year 1780—deponent was in the battle of Little York in Virginia in the year 1782 and was at the taking of Cornwallis in the same year, deponent was discharged at New burgh in the year 1783 by Colonel VanCortlandt. He has received a pension since the 31<sup>st</sup> day of March 1818.

And that his original declaration is dated the thirty first dy of March one thousand eight hundred and eighteen and that his pension certificate is No. 858.  
(Signed) John Morrell

And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of march 1818, and that I have not since that time by gift, sale, or in any manner, 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 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen: and that I have not, nor has any person in trust of me; nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule thereto annexed, and by me subscribed, to wit:

Real Estate—None.

Personal Estate None. (Except wearing apparel & bedding.)

Deponent has no trade, he was brought up a farmer, has no children nor family he is now through age and infirmity unable to do any kind of work, he has nothing to depend upon for his support except his pension, is in such indigent circumstances as to be unable to support himself without the assistance of his country except by private or public charity. John Morrell

Sworn to and declared on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of June one thousand eight hundred and twenty in open court. Benj'm Ferris Clk

Letter in folder dated August 15, 1911, written in response to an inquiry.

In reply to your letter dated the 9<sup>th</sup> and received the 10<sup>th</sup> instant, you are advised that in the claim of John Morrell, Sur. Vile No. 43,034, Rev. War, it is not stated that he ever was married, nor do the records of this Bureau show any pension claim on file for the widow of any soldier names John Morrell of New York.

For date of last payment of pension, the person to whom paid, and probable date of death of soldier, application should be made to the Auditor for the Interior Department, U.S. Treasury Department, citing the following data: John Morrell, Certificate No. 958, issued June 10, 1818, under Act of March 18, 1818 at the New York Agency.

He was allowed a pension of \$8.00 per month, the Certificate of pension was sent to the Hon. R. Riker, New York.