

Pension Application for Andrew Ostrander or Ostronder

R.16868 (Widow: Jane) Married January 14, 1785. Andrew died March 4, 1831.

State of New York

County of Albany SS.

On this twenty seventh day of March in the year one thousand eight hundred & forty personally appeared before the Justices Court of the City of Albany the same being a court of the City of Albany the same being a Court of Record, Jane Ostrander, a resident of the Town of Guilderland in the County of Albany aged seventy five years and upwards, who being first duly sworn doth on her oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Provision made by the act of Congress passed July 7th 1838, entitled “an act granting half pay and pension to certain widows”.

That she is the widow of Andrew Ostrander who was a soldier in the Revolutionary Army in the service of the United States, and served as this declarant was informed by him in his life time and believes in the Company commanded by Captain White—Regiment not recollected. That her said husband served under said Captain White at the Siege of Yorktown in Virginia, where the said Captain White was killed, by the bee sting of a shell thrown by the enemy—

That he said enemy also served in the army at West Point, and was there at the time Arnold’s treason was discovered. That this declarant is not at present able to give any further information respecting her Husband’s services, except that she has understood that her said Husband served at one period during the war at Danbury in Connecticut.

She further declares that she was married to the said Andrew Ostrander on the fourteenth day of January, seventeen hundred and eighty five—that her husband the aforesaid Andrew Ostrander died on the fourth day of March in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty one—that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first of January, seventeen hundred and ninety four viz: at the time above stated.

She further declares that she was married to the said Andrew Ostrander at Normanskill in the County of Albany, land that the marriage ceremony was performed by Volkert Veeder Esqr. then a Justice of the Peace, who has been dead many years—that she doesn’t know or believe that there is any record of her said marriage in existence.

But her Brother William Davis was present at said marriage and she believes he is now living and residing at Chippaway in Upper Canada—She further states that her name previous to her marriage was Jane Davis, and that she was the daughter of Thaddeus Davis. (Signed) Jane Ostrander

Sworn to & subscribed on the day & year first above written in open Court witness the seal of said court & the signature of the Clerk thereof. John G. Wasson, Clk