

Pension Application for Arthur Paul

W.19974 (Lucretia) Arthur married Lucretia VanHouten May 17, 1784, who died June 10, 1799.

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State of New York

Rockland County SS

On this twentieth day of November 1838, personally appeared in open court, before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas, in and for said county, Lucretia Paul a resident of the town of Ramapo in the County of Rockland, aged seventy three years, who being first duly sworn, according to law, 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 7, 1838, entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows", that she is the widow of Arthur Paul, who was a private and Sergeant, during the Revolutionary War, and served as follows: Viz:

That in the month of March in the year 1776, the said Arthur Paul died enlist at Clarkstown for three months as a private, in a company commanded Capt. Gilbert Cooper, and she believes in Col'n A. Hawks Hays Regiment, and after being so enlisted was taken to New York, and stationed at a place called Bunkers hill, and there employed making [making] fortifications for some length of time, was then taking [taking] back to Clarkstown where he remained subject to the command of his said Capt. Until the term of enlistment was expired.—

That in the latter part of the month of June or the first of July in said year of 1776. The said Arthur again enlisted at Clarkstown for five months as a Private, in a company commanded by Capt. John Blauvelt, in Col'n Drake's Regiment, and first went to New York, thence to Long Island, and remained there until after the Battle was fought, thence retreated with Genl Washington's Army to New York, from thence to Kingsbridge, thence to White Plains, and from thence to Peekskill, where he remained until the first of December, the term of enlistment being then expired, he was then discharged and returned home.

That early in the spring of the yar 1777, the said Arthur Paul did again enlist at Clarkstown if her memory is correct, as Sergeant, for during the war, under Capt. Greggs, in the first New York Regiment of Militia commanded by Col'n Gansevoort, and served in the said Regiment and company, or in such other as he was transferred to until the close of the Revolutionary War, and agreeable to the information received from her late husband, was in the Battles of Monmouth, Brandewine, [Brandywine] and at the takeing of Lord Cornwallis, and his army at Yorktown besides other smaller engagements.

That the annexed testimony is all the proof of the service of her late husband she at this late period is able to procure, and as to his service under Capt. Greggs in Col'n Gansevoort, she is unable to prove any of his services except his enlistment and for a proof of said services must refer the Honorable the Commissioner of Pension to the rolls of said regiment.

She further declares that she was married to the said Arthur Paul, by the Rev'd Mr. Brush, a Presbeterian [Presbyterian] Minister, on the seventeenth day of May, In the year seventeen hundred and eighty four, that her said husband, the aforesaid Arthur Paul died on the tenth day of June, seventeen hundred and ninety nine, that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first day of January seventeen hundred and ninety four viz: at the time above stated. (Signed) Lucretia Paul

Sworn to and subscribed, on the day and year above written, in open court.
Abm. Hogenkamp, Clerk Rockland County SS