

Pension Application for Antoine Paulin

W.16671 (Widow: Theotist) Married January 12, 1767.

B.L.Wt.1767-300-Capt whose name is spelled Paulent. Issued Sept. 21, 1790 to Benjamin Moses assignee. No papers.

State of New York

Clinton County SS.

On this seventeenth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty seven personally appeared before me James W. Wood one of the Judges of the court of Common Pleas of the County of Clinton aforesaid, Theotist Paulin widow of the late Captain Antione Paulin a resident of the Town of Champlain in the County of Clinton aforesaid and in the State of New York aged Eighty Seven 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 4th 1836.

That she is the widow of Captain Antoine Paulin late of Champlain in the County of Clinton deceased, who was in the service of the United States in the War of the Revolution and commanded a Company in Colonel Moses Hazen's Regiment and served through the war to the end of it.

And the said Theotist further declares that she was married to the said Antoine Paulin at the Parish of St. Antoine in the Provence of Lower Canada when she was seventeen years old, but does not now recollect the month nor the year when she was so married, that when the war began between the Colonies of Canada & the American Army entered Canada she lived with her husband in the Parish of St. Denis, her husband joined the American Army in the fall of the year, don't recollect what year, and went to Quebec and so married there through the winter & did not return till the next spring after, when he returned home he remained but a few days and then took his family me his wife & four children and abandoning his land and house & buildings & all his property he could not tarry, went to St. Johns where we embarked in a [?] and went first to Crown Point and then to Albany.

Deponent continued near her husband through the war, she generally lived with him in the Barracks in the winter—she recollects she spent one winter at Esopus & sometime at West Point barracks in the summer when her husband was in active service she lived with her children generally away from her husband & further saith that after the close of the war her husband with his family came into the Town of Champlain in the County of Clinton and settled on a farm upon the Big Chazy River when he lived to the time of his death which took place above twenty years ago but Deponent cannot recollect the day month or year when her husband died, only she remembers it was in the time of the last war.

Deponent further saith that she has never been married since the death of her said husband Captain Antoine Paulin & that she now remains his widow.

Deponent further saith that she has no documentary evidence of the service of her said husband in her possession.

The deponent further saith that the evidence her said said [sic] Marriage with her said husband, his service in the U. States service his death & her widowhood will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereunto annexed. (Signed with her mark)
Theotist Paulin

Sworn and subscribed on the day and year above written before. Jas. W. Wood,
Judge Clinton County Courts.

Letter in file dated July 1, 1940, written in response to an inquiry.

You are furnished herein the record of Antoine Paulin as found in the papers of the claims for pension and bounty land under File No. W.16671, based upon his service in the Revolutionary War.

Antoine Paulin (name shown also as Pauline) was born about 1737, place not stated. He was the son of Antoine Paulin and Dominique Valoise who in 1767 were residing in the Parish of Saint Paul of Varre Bishopric of Grenoble, Canada.

While residing in the Parish of Sainte Denis, Canada, Antoine Paulin entered the service in the fall of 1775, served as Captain in Colonel Moses Hazen's Continental Regiment, and was discharged in June 1783.

Soon after the close of the Revolution, Antoine Paulin settled on Big Chazy River in Champlain, Clinton County, New York.

The records show that Warrant No. 1767, for three hundred acres of bounty land was issued September 21, 1790, to Benjamin Mooers, assignee, on account of the service of Antoine Paulin, as Captain in the Continental Line, War of the Revolution. Antoine Paulin died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Francoise Peltier, on Big Chazy River in Champlain, New York, September 7, 1813.

Antoine Paulin married January 12, 1767, in the Parish of Sainte Antoine on the River Richelieu in the District of Montreal, Lower Canada, Theotist, Daughter of Pierre Cotares and Agnes Bourgeois, of Sainte Antoine Parish.

Theotist Paulin, widow of Antoine, was allowed pension on her application executed January 17, 1837, at which time she was aged eighty-seven years and a resident of Champlain, Clinton County, New York. She, like her husband, died in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Francoise Peltier, in Champlain, New York, September 20, 1841. She had made her home with her daughter since about two years after the death of her husband, Antoine Paulin.

Reference was made in the claims to four children of Antoine Paulin and his wife, Theotist, but the only name designated was that of their daughter, Mrs. Francoise Peltier.