

Pension Application for Isaac Pickerd

W.24903 (Widow: Magdalena)

Declaration. In order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress of the 7th July 1838 entitled "An Act granting half pay & pensions to certain widows."

State of New York

County of Onondaga SS.

On this thirty first day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty three, personally appeared before the Court of Common Pleas of the County of Onondaga aforesaid, Magdalena Pickerd a resident of the Town of Schroepel, in the County of Oswego & State of New York aforesaid aged Seventy Two years & upwards—who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth on her oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefits of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July 7, 1838, entitled "An act granting half pay & pensions to certain widows"—

That she is the widow of Isaac Pickerd, who was a private in the war of the Revolution—and who was a pensioner of the United States, on account of his Revolutionary Services—and who held a certificate for such pension for the same of thirty five dollars and twenty two cents per annum, during his natural life, commencing on the 4th of March 1831—Which said Certificate bears date the Ninth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and thirty six & was signed by "Lew Cass, Secretary of War". & Examined & Countersigned by "J. L. Edwards, Commissioner of Pensions"—and is numbered on the back 30621—She further declares that she was married to the said Isaac Pickerd on the Fifty day of February—one thousand seven hundred and ninety three—that her husband the aforesaid Isaac Pickerd died on the twenty sixth day of April one thousand and forty three, at the Town of Schraeppel aforesaid.

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.

She further declares that she has no documentary evidence of said marriage except an ancient Bible record made by the said husband & which is now about sixteen miles distant from Syracuse where she makes this declaration & she has no opportunity to refer to the service, at this time. But the said record, as she well knows, is a true record of the said marriage of Declarant & said Isaac Pickerd (Signed with her mark) Magdalena Pickerd

Sworn to and subscribed on the day & year first above written before of Common Pleas of the County of Onondaga aforesaid in open court. Daniel Pratt, of Onondaga County

Letter in folder dated January 7, 1927, written in response to an inquiry.

I have to advise you that from the papers in the Revolutionary War pensions claim, W.24903, it appears that Isaac Pickerd was born October 7, 1762, place not stated.

He enlisted October 7, 1778, at which time he was living in Canajoharie, Tryon County, New York, and he served with the New York troops at various times until late in 1781, amounting to ten months and seventeen days in all, as a drummer under Captains Jacob Diffendorff and McKean and Colonel Samuel Clyde.

In 1780 he moved to Beren, Albany County, New York, with his father whose name was not stated.

He was allowed pension on his application executed September 11, 1834, at which time he was living in Minden, Montgomery County, New York.

He died at Schraeppel, New York, August 26, 1843.

He married at Palatine, New York, February 5, 1793, Magdalena Countryman who was born March 23, 1771.

She was allowed pension on her application executed August 31, 1843, at which time she was a resident of Schraeppel, Oswego, County, New York.

Children of Isaac and Magdalena Pickerd:

Christiana born April 28, 1794.

John born January 7, 1796.

Anna born March 24, 1798.

A daughter born February 3, 1800.

Maria born May 17, 1801.

Isaac born May 7, 1804.

[Machtalena?] born January 18, 1806.

Jacob born May 8, 1809.

A son born November 10, 1811, died January 18, 1812.

Lisabet born June 12, 1813.