

Pension Application for Andrew A. Race

R.8555

Andrew died September 4, 1846.

State of New York

City of Hudson SS.

On this 6th day of September 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Justices of the Justices Court in Y for the City of Hudson aforesaid now sitting it being a court of Record having a clerk and a seal Andras A. Race a resident of the Town of Ancram in said County of Columbia and State aforesaid aged seventy seven years next October who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers & served as herein stated to wit.

In the spring while he was living in what was then called Livingston Manor now in the County of Columbia aforesaid in the year 1776 he was called out under the command of Capt Robertson who then resided in Livingston Manor and had command of a small company raised for the purpose of hunting out the tories about the said County of Columbia that deponent was out in this company for two months and was then discharged and immediately thereafter deponent enlisted in a company commanded by Capt Rockefeller in company with Low Decker and Vosburgh also privates in said company who are now dead as well as Rockefeller, and deponent with this company marched to Stone Robbie [Stone Arabia] in the County of Montgomery, and helped while there build or put in repair a fort remained at Stonerobber for one month was then discharged and returned home, and the same fall deponent entered into the company of Captain Joseph Elliott who resided then in said Town of what was then called Livingston's Manor now American and marched to Fishkill on the North river and then helped to build the barracks remained there one month and was then discharged & returned home & remained until the next spring 1777, deponent was then selected as a team abut got a horse of John VanDeusen and an other of Isaac Sper and took the wagon of Old Hannes VanDeusen and went to carry the baggage of the soldiers to Stillwater first made a halt at Half moon point while there deponent was employed [employed] with his team getting provision & forage for the troops and when the troops moved from them deponent carried the baggage went to Stillwater & which then was again employed in colliery provision & forage deponent remained in service this tour four months & [?] was then discharged and returned home, while out this tour there was one battle between the American troops & Burgoine surrendered deponent hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. (Signed with his mark) Andrew A. Race

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. H. Wilbur, Clerk

Questions put by the court and the answers.

1. Where & in what year were you born. Answer I was born in Livingston's Manor in the County of Columbia and State of New York in the month of October 1755.
2. Have you any Record of your age if so where is it. Answer I have no record of my age in my possession but the record is now & has always been kept by the Church at Montross on the line or near it between the County of Dutchess and Columbia County about six miles from where deponent resides.
3. When were you living when called into service, where have you lived since the revolutionary war and where do you now live. Answer I lived in the town of what was then called Livingston Manor, now Ancram and have lived there ever since the Revolution and still live there.
4. How were you called into service. Answer I was always a volunteer.
5. State the names of some of the regular officers who were with you or the troops where you served—such Continental & Militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service. Answer I do not recollect the names of the officers of the regular troops except Genl Gates was at Half Moon Point after Schuyler relinquished the command and Col. Henry Livingston of the Militia, deponent being a teamster he did not take much note of the names of the officers.
6. Did you ever receive a discharge from the service & if so by whom was it given & what has become of it. Answer deponent thinks when he was discharge at Stillwater he rec'd a written discharge but who gave it or what has become of it deponent does not know he has not now got it, he never received any written discharge at any other times.
7. State the names of persons to whom you are known In your present neighborhood & who can testify as to your character for veracity & their belief of your services as a soldier of the revolution. Answer Philip Niver, George Niver are my neighbors and I think will certify of my services . (Signed with his mark) Andrew A. Race
8. Sworn and subscribed the 6 Sept. 1832. Hiram Wilber, Clerk.