

Pension Application for Jacob Relyea

W.16693 (Widow: Charity) Jacob "departed this life" about August 3, 1840. Charity Vanloon and Jacob Relyea married May 1778.

State of New York

County of Albany SS

On this 12th day of September 1821 personally appeared in open court, being a court of record for the said State called the Court of Common Pleas having unlimited jurisdiction in point of amount, keeping a record of its proceedings, Jacob Relyea aged fifty seven years, resident in Albany County in said state aforesaid, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath, declare that he served in the Revolutionary war as follows:

In 1776 he thinks he enlisted under Cornelius [VanSanford?] in Colonel Wynkoops Regiment on the New York Line. That he applied for a Pension the 23rd day of April 1818, and received a certificate dated 1st Oct 1818, No. 15200.

And I solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818; and that I have not since that time, by gift, sale, or in any manner, disposed of my property, or any part thereof, with intent thereby so to diminish it, as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress, entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States, In; the Revolutionary was," passed on; the 18th of March, 1818; and that I have not, nor has any person In trust for me, any property or securities, contracts, or debts, due to me; nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed, land by me subscribed.

To wit: one [span?] of poor old horses worth thirty five dollars, one cow & calk forth fourteen dollars, two hogs and four pigs worth seven dollar[s], one dozen fowls worth one dollar one sleigh [8?] dollars, two tables, six chairs, one pot, on tea kettle with a number of other articles of household [?] worth in all not more than twenty dollars. I have no land. I live on a piece belonging to Stephen VanRensselaer without right or title and am unable to pay rent, my family consists of myself and wife both unable to do much.

In margin: I have had my arm broken and my shoulder out of joint which are lame and stiff. (Witness Benjamin Kirby)

(Signed with his mark) Jacob Relyea

Sworn to and declares in open court on the 12th day of Sept before H. A. William, Dept Clerk, Court of Com. Pleas