

Pension Application for Thomas Rewey or Rewcy

S.14281

State of New York

Onondaga County SS.

On this 25th day of September 1832 personally appeared before the Court of Chancery of the State of New York sitting at Onondaga, Thomas Rewey a resident of the town of VanBuren County of Onondaga & State of New York aged eighty years on the fifth day of February last who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers & served as herein stated. He was drafted for five months on the first day of January 1777 he resided in Nine Partners in the county of Dutchess & State of New York at the time he was drafted & entered the service.

That the name of his captain was Caldin who had charge of the magazine at White Plains & this deponent was engaged in making cartridges at the magazine except while on guard, that he joined his company at White Plains in the State of New York; that he was at that place at the time of the battle at Long Island & when the American troops evacuated New York & continued at White Plains & was In the magazine at the time of the battle between the American troops & the British on the latter part of October he went then to North Castle where the army was stationed again this deponent was then ordered to Peekskill together with a great part of the militia for winter quarters & was there discharged but did not receive any written discharge; the militia that was drafted for five months & their time of service expiring on that day were discharged & this deponent returned home to Dutchess County aforesaid Captain Caldin who had the charge of the magazine that this deponent served under was a captain of the Continental or Regular troops as this deponent was informed & believes. This deponent believes the captains name under whom he first entered the service as a drafted soldier was Colby Chamberlin, but this deponent was immediately taken from the company to do duty in the magazine & did not serve under him.

This deponent thinks the Colonel[’s] name who commanded the five months militia under whom he was drafted was Colonel Graham. This deponent not being among the troops much cannot give the names of the officers who had command of the army at that time.

This deponent again entered the service of the United States as a volunteer under William (or Bill) Chamberlin Captain for the term of three months, that he entered the service on or about the 17th of July 1777 Colonel Roswell Hopkins commanded the regiment to which this deponent belonged but the Lieutenant Colonel & Major’s names this deponent does not recollect.

This deponent resided at the time of the last service at Nine Partners In Dutchess County State of New York & joined his company at VasnSchaack’s Island near Troy & countered them about three weeks & got orders then to go to Stillwater &

stayed then or more than till about the time of the battle between the American Army under General Gates & the British under General Burgoyne & this deponent went to Greenbush before he was discharge & then returned home—there was then an engagement expected from the British troops That were coming up the Hudson river to meet General Burgoyne but the defeat of General Burgoyne prevented the expected attack & this deponent was discharged the latter part of October 1777 but no written discharge was given the time of service having some days previously expired.

This deponent has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure to testify to his service.

I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declare that my name is not on the Pension Roll of the agency of any state.

I was born in the town of Willingsby & state of Connecticut on the fifth day of February 1752 as this deponent is informed by his parents & believes to be true. This deponent has no record of his age except in a Bible which this deponent got from the direction of his parents many years ago & now has.

This deponent lived at Nine Partners in the County of Dutchess & State of New York at each time when he was called into the service.

This deponent went to Tyringham County of Berkshire & State of Massachusetts to live after the war & resided there & in the town of Lee in the same County about sixteen years I then removed to the town or Warren in Herkimer County & State of New York & resided there about three years, then in Litchfield in the same County & resided there til this deponent removed to the town of Camillus about twelve years since & this deponent has resided in the town of Camillus now town of VanBuren ever since & still resides now in the town of VanBuren in the County of Onondaga & State of New York.

This deponent gives the names of the following persons who reside in the neighborhood with this deponent & can testify as to this deponents character for veracity & good behavior & their belief of this deponents services as a soldier of the Revolution viz, Charles H. Toll Esquire, Gabriel Tappan, John Lakin Esquire, David C. Lylle Esquire, Daron Isaac Hill, Daron Henrybook, Reuben Woodward, Eleazar Dunham, Jose Foster, Daniel Betts, & Benjamin Rider.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is onto on the pension roll of the agency of any state.
(Signed with his mark) Thomas Rewey

Subscribed & sworn this 25th Septe 1832. Daniel Moseley, Circuit Judge Vice Chancellor