

Pension Application for Benoni Reynolds or Benony

W.12830 (Widow: Abigail)

B.L.Wt.6113-160-55

State of New York

Onondaga County SS.

On this twentieth day of October 1832, personally appeared in open court before the Vice Chancellor of the county of Onondaga in Seventh Circuit in & for the State aforesaid, at Onondaga In the County aforesaid now sitting Benoni Reynolds resident of the town of Manlius in the County and State aforesaid aged seventy seven years the eight[h] day of April last past, 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 7, 1832.

That he was born in the month of April 1755 at a place called Quaker Hill in the County of Dutchess, State of New York.

That he has no record of his age.

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

That he enlisted in the month of April 1776 at a place called Nine Partners in the county of Dutchess and State of New York for nine months, under Captain Smith Sutherland at the same place & Lieutenant Zaccheus Mosher also of the same place—

The names of the other officers of the said company not recollected.

Colonel Graham (Christian name not recollected) was commandant of the Regiment and Stephen Hunt, Major. Was marched from the place of enlistment to Fort Independence on the Hudson River about two miles below Fort Montgomery—was there stationed at that place until the expiration of his term and received a discharge from the said Capt. Sutherland.

That in the year 1777, he again enlisted as a volunteer at the same place for 3 months in the month of August (he thinks it was the day after the Battle at Bennington in Vermont) under Captain James Talmadge of the same place. The other officers of the company not recollected.

That the aforesaid Colonel Graham was the Commandant of the Regiment, the field officers of the of the Regiment not recollected—was marched to Lansingburgh—then called the New City—stopped there about 14 days. Then marched to Stillwater in Saratoga County, was engaged in the Battle at that place two days—on Friday and Tuesday was at Saratoga at the time of the surrender of Genl Burgoyne.

Then after said surrender was marched down the Hudson River to Cohoes. Term of service expired at or about the time of the surrender of Genl Burg till he arrived at Cohoes., but was not discharged from the said Captain James Talmadge.

That he again in the year 1778 sometime in the month of April at the said Nine Partners enlisted for six months under Captain William Pierce & Lieutenant Stephen Hunt of Dutchess County, was marched from said Nine Partners to White Plains. Then joined a Regiment but does not recollect the names of the officers thereof. Genl Putnam commanded the forces stationed. Then at that time till the arrival of General

Washington, served there till later in the fall when he was marched from there to Quaker Hill for winter quarters. There was soon after allowed to go home—thinks in the month of November.

That he again entered the service in April 1779 as substitute for James Green at Saratoga for the term of six months under Captain Levi Stockwell of Skeensborough now called White Hall Lieutenant Boggs and ensign Gillet of the same place (Christian name not recollected). Served thee six months as such substitute. Served there six months as such substitute. Then went with Captain Stockwell to Albany.

There received his pay and a discharge from said Captain—and therefore returned home (to Aston) in Washington County. The place of his residence at the time entered the service as such substitute for said James Green.

That some years after the service aforesaid he had his house burnt with all his [?] and papers with the discharge as above mentioned.

That in the year 1780 sometime in March or or [sic] April as he believes was called out as a militia man and marched from Easton aforesaid to Fort George thence to Ticonderoga and from there to Crow Point. That Governor George Clinton commanded the forces. Was out between four and five weeks.

That after the close of the Revolutionary War, he lived at Easton aforesaid about twenty years—Then moved to Rome in Oneida County, lived there about seven years – and then moved to the town of Marcellus first aforesaid where he has lived ever since.

That he has no documentary evidence and and [sic] that he knows of no person, other than his sister, Margaret Wickham, whose affidavit is hereunto annexed, who testimony he can procure, who can testify to his service.

He 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) Benoni Reynolds

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year first aforesaid. Daniel Moseley.
Circuit Judge Vice Chancellor

Letter in folder dated May 17, 1934, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your request for the Revolutionary War record of Benoni Reynolds of Dutchess County, New York.

The data furnished herein were obtained from the papers on file in pension claim, W.12830, based upon the Revolutionary War service of Benoni (Benony) Reynolds.

He was born April 8, 1755 at Quaker Hill, Dutchess County, New York; the names of his parents are not given.

While residing at Great Nine Partners, Dutchess County, New York, Benoni Reynolds enlisted in April, 1776, served nine months as private in Captain Smith Sutherland's Company, Colonel Graham's New York regiment. He enlisted in August 1777, served three months in Captian Tallmadge's company, Colonel Graham's regiment, was in both battles of Stillwater, and surrender of Burgoyne. He enlisted in April, 1778, served six months in Captain William Pearce's company. While residing at

Easton, Washington County, New York, he enlisted in April 1779, served six months in Captain Levi Stockwell's company. He served in March and April, 1780, four or five weeks as a militia man, no officers stated.

Benoni Reynolds was allowed pension on his application executed, October 20, 1832, then a resident of Marcellus, Onondaga County, New York, having moved there from Oneida County, New York. He died February 18, 1854 in Onondaga, New York.

The soldier, Benoni (Benony) Reynolds, married in 1817 at Otisco, Onondaga County, New York, Abigail, her maiden name not definitely shown. She was allowed pension on her application executed, May 8, 1854, then aged fifty-nine years and living in Marcellus, New York.

In 1865 she was living in Oporto, Colon Township, St. Joseph County, Michigan, with relatives, their names not stated; in 1871 her post office address was, Nottawa, Michigan.

Margaret Wickham, sister of the soldier, was in 1832 in Onondaga, County, New York.