

### **Pension Application for Israel Rickey**

R.8797

At a Court of Common Pleas held at the Court House in Elmira in & for the County of Tioga on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of March 1834. Present: Hon Darius Bentley, Elijah Shoemaker, Joseph S. Darling & George Fisher. Esquires, Judges.

State of New York

Tioga County SS. On the 5<sup>th</sup> day of March 1834 personally appeared in open court before the Judges above named Israel Rickey a resident of the town of Chemung in the said County aged eighty three years and upwards, who being first duly sworn according to law, in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress of the 7<sup>th</sup> June 1832 makes the following declaration.

That he resided at the commencement of the Revolutionary war in the County of Sussex in the State of New Jersey near the frontier line between the State of New Jersey near the frontier line between the State of New Jersey near the frontier line between the States of New York and New Jersey; where the inhabitants were called frequently in short excursions for the defence of the frontier against incursions from the Indian enemy in that quarter or the British forces from the neighborhood of New York, that the deponent was consequently very frequently called out sometimes in one State & Sometimes in the other, as his more immediate connections resided in the County of Orange in the State of New York, and in the unsettled State of Affairs the deponent was much of the time in New York State with his friends there.

That he recollects having been much in Service during the war, but in consequence of his advanced age & infirm State of health, his memory is not sufficient to recapitulate all his services and is especially deficient in regard to the years in which his services were thus performed—but does distinctly recollect that he was in service under a Captain belonging to Col. Hathorn's Regiment of Orange County Militia (NY) whose name he has forgotten in the year 1775 and was stationed at Closter near Tappan on the Hudson River for two weeks & the time spent in going & returning making according to his best rec That he also served at ollection 21 days.

That he also served at Elisabeth Town in N.J. forty six days under Captain Beekwith of the Sussex County Militia, under Col. Martin as he thinks but whether in 1775, 6 or 7 he cannot state and the time occupied in going & coming 7 days in all 53 days.

That In 1778 (as he believes tho he is not certain of the year) he served six weeks on the Delaware Indian frontier under Capt. Beckwith of the Sussex County Militia, commencing in April.

That he afterwards served under the same Captain at Peenpack 8 days including time in going & returning.

That in 1777 or 1778 he was drafted in Col. Hathorns Regiment of Orange County Militia for nine months to serve at Fishkill in the county of Dutchess New York, the name of the Captain he cannot call to mind & the service was regularly performed.

The whole of the service thus performed and now in his recollection are therefore as follows.

At Clouster 21 da

At Elizabeth Town 1.23

On the Delaware including going & returning 1.21

At Peenpack 8 da

At Fishkill 9.00

13 months 13 days.

Making In all thirteen months & thirteen days for which he claims a pension.

In answer to the interrogatories propounded by the War Department he says.

1<sup>st</sup> That he was born at Cortlands Manor Dutchess County New York January 1, 1751 as he is informed & believes.

2<sup>d</sup> Has no record of his age, it was kept in the family Bible of his father & was left with his brother whose house burnt many years since & the record with it.

3. Lived in the county of Sussex New Jersey when called into service—has continued to live there until April 1792 when he removed to Tioga County where he has lived ever since.

4. Generally volunteered, the once drafted as stated above.

5. The regular & militia officers whom he knew in service were Genl Hathorn, Col. Martin, Major Meeker & Major Westbrook.

6. He never received a discharge in writing.

7. He refers to Henry Wells, John C. Dowell, Grant B. Balowin Esquires of the County of Tioga as to his character & their belief of his revolutionary services & does not know any one living who can prove them.

He hereby relinquishes all claim to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. (Signed with his mark) Israel Rickey

Sworn & prescribed the day & year aforesaid. Green M. Tuthill Clk