

Pension Application for James Rindress or Riness or Ryness

R.8829 (Widow: Sarah) James and Sarah married February 12, 1784. James died September 11, 1834. James was successful in getting a pension but Sarah was not. James was inscribed on the Roll of New York at the rate of 80 dollars per annum, to commence on the 4th day of March 1831. Sarah died December 19, 1841. Surviving children: James, Sarah Young, Elsia Crittenden, Catharine Chipperfield, Peter and Maria Crettenden.

State of New York

County of Niagara SS.

On this 26th day of August 1828 personally appeared before the Hon. Addison Gardner circuit Judge and Nathan Dayton and Joel McCollum Esquire Judges of the court of Oyer and Terminer and general gaol delivery held at the court house in Lockport in and for the said County, James Rindress a resident of North Guillenbury in the Count of York in the Home District and province of Upper Canada aged over seventy three years who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

That he enlisted in the army of the United States in the fall of the year 1780 according to his best recollection for during the war in the first New York Regiment of the Continental line under the following named officers, viz Ensign John Morrill, Lieut Peter Hradenberger Captain Aaron Austin, Major or Lieut Colonel Wisenfelt and Colonel VanSchaaike—he enlisted as above at Pompton Plains in New Jersey and his place of residence was a Poughkeepsie in the State of New York the deponent was not in any general engagement—he recollects while in service of being in New Jersey where he enlisted at Morristown and some other places, In New York he was at King's Ferry at New Windsor, West Point and Albany and was discharged at a place called Snake Hill near New Windsor after the termination of the war he received a printed discharge which he did not preserve no has he seen it for thirty years past and now believes it destroyed.

The deponent further declares that by reason of a want of education old age and loss of memory he cannot state with precision the year of his enlistment, the length of time he served or the movements in order of the army while he was in service, but think he is not mistaken in the names of the officers, under whom he served though there might have been changes in his officers, not now recollected. After his discharge he continued to reside in his former place of residence, Poughkeepsie, until about twenty nine years since when he removed to Canada where he has resided since that time. (Signed with his mark) James Rindress

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year first within written before me. J. McCollum Judge of Niagara County Courts.