
Pension Application for Peter Robarsh or Robash (1)

S.43954

State of New York

County of Clinton SS.

I Peter Robush of the town of Chazy in the County of Clinton & State of New York do solemnly & sincerely swear & declare that I was a Corporal in the Second Company Commanded by Captain Bird (or in french Captain Louisote) In Col. Livingston's Regiment (2) called one of the Congress regiments in the service of the United States of America on the Continental establishment in the war of the revolution, that I enlisted in the army of the United States at Albany in the spring of the year 1776 in the same regiment commanded by Col Livingston. That I enlisted for the term of three years but was not discharged until 1781 in the fall of the same year at Freetown, Rhode Island in the State of Rhode Island, (3) that my discharge was destroyed in my house which was burned. That I am in very indigent circumstances and am in need of assistance from my country for support. (Signed with his mark) Peter Robarsh.

Caleb Nichols, a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas for the county of Clinton & State of New York.

End Notes—S.43954—Peter Robarsh, Robersh

1. Peter's name is sometimes listed as Pierre which is French for Peter but his last name is written on the muster rolls starting in January of 1778 as Arberger, Arbery, Oberg and Oberge, etc.
2. Peter enlisted on December 19, 1777 in Captain Augustine Loseaux's Second Company in Colonel James Livingston's First Canadian Continental Regiment for during war. He deserted at Freetown, Rhode Island on August 29, 1779 and three other men from the same company also deserted on the same day. Captain Loseaux had been dismissed from the service on January 5, 1778. First Lieutenant Anthony Whelp commanded the company until about July of 1779. Peter was transferred to Captain Abraham Livingston's First Company. This is the company from which Peter deserted. FROM: Revolutionary War Rolls, 1775-1783, Series M-246, Roll 133, folders 220 (Livingston's Co.) and 221 (Loseaux's Co.), National Archives, Washington, D.C.
3. Peter would have fought in the Battles of Saratoga on September 19 and October 7, 1777. He also would have fought in the Battle of Butt's Hill, Rhode Island on August 29, 1778.