
Pension Application for Jeremiah Sherril or Sherrill

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Private, Captain Davies, Captain Hailliburt, Col. Livingston, Genl Schuyler. Died Aug. 14, 1840.

State of New York

Delaware County SS.

On this ninth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two personally appeared before the Court of Common Pleas held in & for the County of Delaware now sitting Jeremiah Sherril a resident of the town of Franklin in said County of Delaware & state of New York aged seventy seven 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 7th 1832.

That he enlisted in the army of the United States in the year 1775 for the term of nine months with Jacob Hicks, Jonathan Miller, John Gan & Abram Sherril [no. of regt not recollected] of the New York line under the following named officers—General Schuyler, (1) Colonel Henry B. Livingston, (2) Capt. John Hallibut, (3) Lieutenants John Davis, & Edward Conklin. (4)

That he was born in 1755 and at the time of his enlistment resided at East Hampton Suffolk Co. Long Island. That he enlisted in the month of March in said year of 1775 under the above named officers and marched to Montauk Point where he remained till Sept. Following from thence he went with his regiment to Albany where he remained a few weeks (does not recollect exactly how long, marched from thence to Ticonderoga where they arrived soon after the battle (5)& from thence they returned to fort Constitution on the North River where he staid till Dec. when his time ended having been in actual service nine months when he returned home to Long Island.

That in the year 1776 he enlisted for the term of nine months under Capt. John Davis, William Havens Lieut. & Edward Conklin, Ensign. (6) That he went to Montauk Point where he remained till Sept. under the same field officers in the first campaign mentioned above. That [crossed out “they were then driven from thence by the British”] they then marched to River Head about thirty miles west in order to join the main army where they were informed that the Island was given up to the British & thence they passed over to Saybrook Con, where they remained about a month as near as he recollects while there he was engaged with other troops in escorting families from Long Island to Saybrook from thence he went to New Haven where in the month of December (7) he was discharged having served a second term of nine months. And he further states that he has long since lost his discharge.

That till lately he has continued to be a resident of Easthampton his native place on Long Island & that he herewith encloses the affidavit of Peleg Miller who is knowing to the facts stated above & is the only evidence in his power at present who is acquainted with the particulars of his service. That he has no record of his age.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state. (Signed) Jeremiah Sherril

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid. C. B. Sheldon, Clerk

Reply to a letter dated June 16, 1894.

Reference to your communication requesting, in behalf of your correspondent Mr. Charles H. Sherrill, additional information relative to the military and family history of Jeremiah Sherrill, a soldier of the Revolutionary War, you are advised that his pension papers have been carefully examined and it appears that this particular soldier was born in the year 1755 (probably in East Hampton, N.Y.) and died January 14, 1840, in Franklin, New York, where he had been living for some time with his daughter, Vashti Edwards. No other points of identity have been discovered.

Owing to the pressure of other and more important work of the Bureau it would be impracticable to furnish copies of the papers.

A careful search has been made and no other Revolutionary pensioner bearing the name Jeremiah Sherrill has been found; neither has any record of Abraham Sherrill's service in the war of 1812.

End Notes—S.11383—Jeremiah Sherril

1. Major General Philip Schuyler of the Continental Army.
2. Henry B. Livingston, Jr., was the major of Colonel James Clinton's Third New York Continental Regiment.
3. John Hulbut was appointed captain on June 28, 1775 of the Third Company (Suffolk County Company). The other company officers were John Davis as the first Lieutenant and William Havens as the second lieutenant and William Havens as the second lieutenant. They were also appointed June 28, 1775 in Colonel Clinton's Regiment.
4. Edward Conklin or Conkling, etc., was not an officer in Colonel Clinton's Regiment in 1775. There were several Conklin's in the regiment but not an Edward. The second lieutenant was William Havens.
5. The battle Jeremiah refers to is unknown. He did not go to Fort Ticonderoga according to Captain Hurlbut's muster roll. "*Dated in Camp at Lake George the 15th of Octr 1775*", he was discharged on October 8th. FROM: Revolutionary War Rolls, 1775-1783, M-246, Roll 60, folder 38, National Archives, Washington, D.C.
6. Edward Conklin was the second lieutenant in Captain Davis' Company.
7. On March 8, 1776, James Clinton was appointed Colonel of the Second New York Continental Regiment. Captain Davis and his company were now in the Second New York. Only one payroll exists for Captain Davis' Company for November 1 to November 20, 1776 and Jeremiah's name is not on the roll. FROM: Revolutionary War Rolls 1775-1783, Series M-246, Roll 67, Folder 20, National Archives, Washington, D.C.