

Pension Application for Stephen Skutt

S.14469

Private, Capt . Wickoff, Col. Dubois

State of New York

Cayuga County SS.

On this eighteenth day of July A.D. 1832, personally appeared before me the first Judge of the Court of common Pleas in and for the County of Cayuga, Stephen Skutt a resident of Aurelius in the County of Cayuga and State of New York, aged 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 act of Congress, Passed June 7th, 1832:--That he entered the service under the following named officers, and served as herein stated:--That about the month of June in the year 1778 as he believes he was called into the service of the United States in case of alarm, into the company commanded by Captain Isaac VanWyck in Colonel Jacob Griffins Regiment, Hendrick Wycoff Major; that he at this time resided in the Town of Fishkill in the county of Dutchess in the State of New York. That he marched with said company to Peekskill on the Hudson River where he was stationed and continued to serve for a term of three weeks when he was discharged and returned home; That in the fallof the same year he was again called into said service in the company of Militia commanded by Captain ---- Brown, & Lieutenant William Swartout, that he marched with said company from Fishkill to VanPlank's Point on the Hudson River where he was stationed and continued to serve for a term of seven weeks when he was discharged—that during this term of service he had no Colonel or Major, that there were but two companies stationed at said Point during said term—He further declares that in the month of June AD 1779 he again entered the service of the United States as a substitute for one Derick Swartout who was drafted at the town of Fishkill aforesaid for a term of three months, that he entered the company commanded by Captain John Benscouden in Colonel Lewis Duboys Regiment, that he was stationed most of the time with said company at Fort Constitution in the State of New York, that he served in said company for a term of three months when he was discharged and returned home. He further declares that after the aforesaid services and during the Revolutionary War he continued to reside at Fishkill aforesaid that during said last mentioned term he was frequently called into the service of the United States in cases of alarm, that he was sometimes out in said service for a term of two weeks, & at others a term of one week, and at others, two or three days, that from the length of time which has elapsed since said time he is unable to state the particular times or the precise number of times, but that he verily believes from his best recollection that his whole service subsequent to the three months service aforesaid would amount to five or six months, that his services were in and about the County of Dutchess as a guard and in scouting parties, to prevent the depredations of the "Cowboys". That he has no proof of his said services and is unable to procure any. He hereby relinquishes all claim to and annuity or pension except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension list of any State or territory. (Signed with his mark) Stephen Skutt

Sworn & subscribed the day & year aforesaid. J. L. Richardson first Judge of Cayuga.