

## Pension Application for Peter Slingerland

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Private, Captain Slingerland  
State of New York  
Otsego County SS.

Personally appeared before me the undersigned being one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the said County, Peter Slingerland of the town of Maryland in the County of Otsego aforesaid, known to me to be the same person who has subscribed his name to and made the original declaration hereunto annexed, and who being duly sworn deposed and saith, that he was called into the service as a volunteer in the month of July or August 1775 and in which of said months it was, that he entered the service he cannot recollect, but does well recollect that it was at the time of the wheat harvest of that year. That he volunteered as a private soldier in a company of Militia commanded by his father Capt. Abraham Slingerland and marched from Albany at the time above stated in said company to Lake George, and was stationed at that place to guard the frontiers against the enemy and remained in actual service at that place for the full period of two months and a half.—That Capt. Slingerlands company belonged to a Regiment of Militia commanded by Col. Qackenbush of Albany, who was at that time the Col. of the Militia in that service of the Revolution.

That he was dismissed from the service at the expiration of two and a half months at Fort George and returned home to Albany where he resided.

2<sup>d</sup> That early in the spring of the year 1776 he again volunteered into the service in Capt. Slingerlands Company of Militia and was ordered by Genl Schuyler on an expedition to Johnstown from the purpose of taking Sir John Johnson. That Capt Slingerlands & Capt. VanWie's Companies, both Militia, marched from Albany to Johnstown for the purpose above stated, but on arriving at Johnstown information was obtained that Sir John Johnson had fled to Canada and both of said companies were re-marched to Albany—That he was in actual service at this time for the period of ten days—That Capt. VanWie's & Capt Slingerlands Companies belonged to a regiment commanded by Col. Qackenbush—and he well recollects Lieutenant VanOrnam and Ensign Helderbrand who were both in the service at this time and marched to Johnstown as above stated.—

3<sup>d</sup> In the month of May 1776 at the time of planting corn, and as early as the 20<sup>th</sup> of May, he again volunteered into the service as a private soldier and marched in Capt. Slingerland's Company from Albany to Fort Hunter, where he was stationed and remained in actual service for two months—Genl Schuyler had command of the troops at Fort Hunter at this time—Capt. Hogan had command of a company of Militia at that time stationed at said Fort, and that both of said companies belonged to Col. Qackenbush's Regiment. Marched from Fort Hunter to Schenectady and was there discharged at the expiration of the said two months service, and he again returned home to Albany.

4<sup>th</sup> About the first of June 1777 he again volunteered into a company of Militia and was called into actual service, commanded by Capt. Slingerland and marched from Albany to Saratoga after arriving at Saratoga the troops were billeted out and he with other soldiers belonging to Capt. Slingerlands company stayed at a house called the Widow Becker's—

That said company belonged to a Regiment of militia commanded by Col. Qackenbush and he continued in the service at this place said Company & Regiment until after the surrender of Genl Burgoyne—He was then marched from Saratoga to Albany and discharged from service—and that he was in actual service at this time for the period of at least four months—well recollects of seeing Genl Schuyler & Genl Gates and Genl Arnold which in the service at this time as above stated—

5<sup>th</sup> And he the said Peter Slingerland further saith that in relation to the transporting of Baggage mentioned in his original declaration, he can further state that it was previous to the taking of Burgoyne—but whether in the year 1775 or 1776 he cannot recollect, he well recollects that he was engaged for full four months in the transportation of baggage for the American Army from the County of

Dutchess to Albany and from thence to Lake George including the time he was detained in the service by the officers having command at Fort George to aid and assist in erecting Barracks for the use of the soldiers—that he was first ordered into the service at this time by his father Capt. Slingerland and was detained in the service by the officers of the government at Albany and Fort George as above stated—At the expiration of four months he was discharged from the service at Lake George and returned home to Albany the place of his residence.

And he further states that he was born in the year 1760 in Albany in the State of New York,

2<sup>d</sup> That he has no record of his age.

3<sup>d</sup> He resided in Albany during the whoel of the Revolution, and has since resided at the places mentioned in his original declaration—

4<sup>th</sup> He volunteered and served as a private soldier at each and every time that he entered the service as above stated—and that he never served as a substitute for any other person.—

5<sup>th</sup> the names of the officers who were with the troops where he served are above set forth as fully as he can recollect the same, as also the general circumstances of his service—

6<sup>th</sup> that he never received a written discharge from the service to his recollection or belief.

7<sup>th</sup> that Amos H. Brown Esquire and Jonas Houghton who made the certificate annexed to his original declaration then and still reside in his present neighborhood and have testified to his character for veracity and their belief of his service and soldier of the Revolution.

And he further declares on his oath as aforesaid that by reason of old age, and the consequent loss of memory, he cannot swear more positive to the precise length of time of his said services, or the names of the officers who were with the troops where he served, than as is contained and set forth in his said original declaration and this amendment. (Signed) Peter Slingerland

Sworn to and subscribed before me the 24<sup>th</sup> day of August 1833—Seth Chase, a Judge of the Otsego Courts.