

Pension Application for Cornelius Smith

S.22996

Invalid, Cornelius Smith, priv., Rev. War. Act June 7th 32. Index:--Vol. 2, Page 380?

A payroll of Capt. Jellis Fonda's Co. of Associate Exempts of Col. Frederick[k] Fisher's Regt NY Militia from Aug 10 to 15, 1777, an abstract of pay rolls of Capt. Jellis Fonda's Co. of Associate Exempts from 1777 to 1781. A paper dated 1777, entitled Frederick Wemple's (1) statement or account of militia service.

A list of Capt. Jellis Fonda's men from June 6 to 13, 1777.

The above papers have been removed from this claim to be forwarded to the war Dept. AW. Sent to War Dept. Jan 16, 1913. [Stamped: Oct 8, 1910]

Cornelius Smith of Montgomery Co. in the State of N. York who was a Private in the company commanded by Captain Fonda of the Regt commanded by Col. Fisher in the N. York Line for 6 months. Inscribed on the Roll of Albany at the rate of 20 Dollars ---- Cents per annum, to commence on the 4th day of March 1831.

Certificate of pension issued the 16th day of July 1838 and sent to Thos. Sammons, Present

Arrears to the 4th of March '38 140.00; Semi-anl. Allowance ending 4 Sep. '38 10.00. \$150.00 (Revolutionary Claim Act June 7, 1832. Recorded by D. Bruen Clerk, Book E. 12, Vol. 4 Page 67.

Montgomery County
State of New York SS.

On this 13th Day of June 1838 personally appeared in open Court before the Hon. Abam Morel, the First Judge of the Montgomery County Court and Samuel Gilbert, John Hand, David F. Sacia & Stephen Yates, Judges of said Court now sitting Cornelius Smith (2) Town of Mohawk, County of Montgomery, State of New York aged 94 years the 19th day of August last past old style, who being 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 July 7th 1832. That he entered the service under the following named officers and served as hereafter stated. That he was a private in the War of the Revolution and served in Capt. Jellis Fonda's Company of Associated Exempts in Colonel Frederick Fisher's Regiment and served in the above company till the close of the war, that old age and infirmity prevents him from giving a more particular statement of Identifying the service or the duration of each tour of service that he has seen an abstract of part of the Pay Rolls of Capt. Jellis Fonda's Company when the said company was credited for 3 months and 8 days service and also to separate pay rolls of Capt. Jellis Fonda Company not included in the abstract the one allowing 6 days the other 7 days service in 1777 in the above abstract the service commenced in the year 1778 and ended in the year 1782 and furthermore that he saw an old Statement or record of Hendrick Wemple who was a private in the above said Company and who was always considered a man of veracity and truth and that after examining the statement or record of the above Hendrick Wemple which record specifies 10 separate tours and designates the places where the duty was performed he fully believes the above statement or record of the said Wemple to be true which several tours amount to 32 days and in which several tours he well recollect serving and that the above duty was performed in the then County of Tryon State of New York and also that he was one year a member of the Tryon County Committee and that he done a considerable teaming for the garrison and troops stationed in Tryon County. And furthermore he does not know of a single officer or private now living who served in Capt. Jellis Fonda's Company of Associated exempts excepting himself & therefore must rely upon Documentary evidence such as the abstract of Capt. Jellis Fonda, the Pay Rolls of the said Fonda and the statement or record of Mr. Hendric Wemple (3) as herein before stated making it all together 6 months and 23 days. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the United States or any state whatever and the documents and reference to papers are hereunto attached. (Signed) Cornelius Smith

Sworn in open court the day and year above written. A. J. Comrie Clerk

I, the Rev. Abraham Van Horne of the Town of Mohawk in the County of Montgomery lately the Clergyman of the Congregation of Caughnawaga in said town, and still residing in the same Town do hereby certify that I am well acquainted with Cornelius Smith who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration. That I believe him to have been ninety four years of age in August last. That he has been a member of my church in good standing for thirty six years past. That he is respected and believed in the neighborhood where he resides to have been a soldier of the Revolution, and that I concur in that opinion. (Signed) Abraham Van Horne N.D.M.

Sworn in open court 14th June 1838. A. J. Comrie Clerk

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1. According to Cornelius' declaration it is Hendrick Wemple that had made a statement.
2. Cornelius is listed in several of Captain Fonda's Company muster and pay rolls serving at different times as a private or corporal. The Company of Exempts was in Colonel Frederick Visscher's (Fisher's) Third Regiment of Tryon County Militia. FROM: Revolutionary War Rolls 1775-1783, Series M-246, Roll 74, folder 100, National Archives, Washington DC. Some of the rolls are misfiled in Colonel Abraham Wemple's Regiment, Roll 77, folder 170. There was a Captain Jellis J. Fonda that served in the regiment.
3. Hendrick Wemple served as a sergeant in Captain Fonda's Company in Colonel Visscher's Regiment.