

## Pension Application for Jesse Stewart

S.23014

State of New York  
Delaware County SS.

On this 8<sup>th</sup> day of October 1832 personally appeared in open court before the judges of the court of common pleas now sitting Jesse Stewart a resident of the town of Kortright in the county of Delaware 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 7, 1832.—That he first entered the service of the United States in the first of January 1777 at the town of Blanford, County of Hampshire Commonwealth of Massachusetts when he was drafted for six months this into the militia service—He was ordered into service in a company commanded by Capt. Joseph Morgan was attached to a regiment of artillery commanded by Col. Mason, was stationed the most of the time at Springfield guarding ordinance—He served the six months & was discharged.—

In the year 1779 then residing in the town of Blanford aforesaid volunteered in a militia company to go to New London in Connecticut,—He went into service about the first of July & continued in service two months when he was dismissed on the 1<sup>st</sup> of September at New London—Solomon Brown his Captain & Col. Porter commanded the regiment—He with his company marched through Rexford North Bolton, Windham to Warwick Landing where they took shipping for New London.

About the first of July 1780 (1) he enlisted or volunteered for nine months at Blanford aforesaid under Capt. Ely & Col. John Brown's regiment & marched to Great Barrington where his Captain received orders to join Col. Brown's regiment at Albany—Marched to Albany—thence to Schenectady & then up the Mohawk river to Fort Plain—thence to Snyder (2) where staid 15 days--Thence to Fort Herkimer & thence to Fort Stanwix to guard cattle &c. Returned to Stone Arabia - on the 19<sup>th</sup> October had an engagement with a force under the command of Sir John Johnson & the Indians under Brandt. (3) Nearly thirty men killed in the single company to which he belonged—a hard fight—The captain & Col. Brown both killed. His time was out the next day but staid there three or four days, to bury the dead—was then dismissed & returned home to Blanford aforesaid he was on this tour in actual service time three months besides about two weeks in burying the dead & returning home.--

In each of those several terms of duty to wit in the one of 1777—in the one of 1779 & the one in 1780 he served as a sergeant & during the whole time of his said service.—He has no documents or evidence except the deposition of Moses Stewart hereinto annexed and he knows of no person except the said Moses Stewart aforesaid, whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service—He was born at the town of Bloominggrove county of Orange NY on the 16<sup>th</sup> of January 1759 == he has no record thereof but has seen the entry of my birth in his father's family bible. He removed to [?] resided in the town of Blanford, till two or three years after the revolutionary war—Thence he removed to Kinderhook where he staid one year & then removed to Kortright aforesaid where he has resided ever since.

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 agency of any state. (Signed) Jesse Stewart

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

End Notes—Jesse Stewart—S.23014

1. Jesse enlisted as a private on August 9, 1780 in Captain Levi Ely's Company in Colonel John Brown's Regiment of Massachusetts State Levies. He was discharged on October 22, 1780.
2. Jesse may have been referring to Remesnyder's Bush which was also called Snyder's Bush. It was a settlement in the present day Town of Manheim, Herkimer County, N.Y. There was a blockhouse and grist mill there.
3. The British forces under Lieutenant-Colonel Sir John Johnson and Captain Joseph Brant surprised Colonel Sir John Johnson and Captain Joseph Brant surprised Colonel John Brown who had a detachment of his regiment, Tryon County Militia and Rangers in the fields of Stone Arabia on October 19, 1780. Colonel Brown and Captain Ely with about 39 men were killed in this battle.