

Pension Application for Reuben Sweet

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State of New York

Cayuga County SS.

On the 17th day of December 1832 personally appeared before me Gershom Morse one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in & for said county Reuben Sweet a resident of Sempronius County & State aforesaid aged eighty 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 of the United States at Hoosaick, Renssalaer County State of New York at which place he then resided, in the month of August 1775—that he enlisted in Capt. White's Company of Infantry for five months, does not recollect the name of the Colonel, immediately after enlisting he marched to Lake George in said State and did duty in Garrison or Fort and some times boating provision &c across the Lake to Ticonderoga. That near the close of his term he was taken sick with Lung Fever and after remaining in the hospital a few days he was sent home and did not get able to join his company until after his time expired.

And he further on oath says that in the early part of the next year he thinks in the month of February or March (1776) he enlisted at Richmond Berkshire County Massachusetts for Three Months in Capt. Goodrich's Company in Major Cady's detachment, that they soon marched to join Gen'l Arnold's Army at Quebeck, and while in the neighborhood at Quebeck and after his three months had expired, he gain enlisted in Capt. Beacons company in General Porter's Regiment, for eight months, he was enlisted by Lieut. Bateman of Beacon's Company, that he remained near Quebeck until May 1776 when the army commenced their retreat, and stopped at Mount Independence on Lake Champalain, and remained there until the latter part of the Summer, when they marched to Peekskill on the Hudson River where he remained until his time expired and he was discharged.

And he further on his oath says that soon after he returned home he thinks in the month of August or September 1777 at Dover Dutchess County State of New York he took the place and became a substitute for one ___ Cassey in a company at that time commanded by Lieutenant Wheeler for one month and immediately marched to Peekskill on the Hudson River and joined the army under General Putman and remained there until he time expired when he was discharged and went home.

And he further in Oath says there in the month of July in the year 1778 he was drafted into Capt. Lansing's company for one month and marched to Schoharie in the State of New York to keep Garrison and protect the inhabitants from the Tories & Indians and served out his time. And he further on oath says that he has no discharges or any other documentary evidence of his services in his possession, and that after due inquiry he has not been able to find any person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his services.

And he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on any pension roll of the agency of any state. And he further in oath says that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise time of his elisting [enlisting] in all his tours of duty, but according to his best recollection and belief he served in the whole not less [than] one year and six months and for that claims a pension.
(Signed) Reuben Sweet

Sworn & Subscribed the day and year aforesaid before me. Jonathan Morse a Judge of Cayuga Com. Pleas.