

Pension Application for William Teed

R.10442

State of New York

County of WestChester SS

On this fifth day of October eighteen hundred and forty three personally appeared before me-

William Teed a resident of Somers Township County aforesaid aged ninety years, April 5th last past, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress last June 7th 1832.

That he first entered the service in the militia under Captain Andrew Brown in what is now called Somers but was formerly called Stephentown, which was in the early part of the year 1778, which company was in Colonel Drakes Regiment who commanded.

I first went to Peekskill and whilst there saw two men whilst for desertion. After which we returned to Somers in the fall of the same year.

We were again called out to guard the line at Pines Bridge over the Croton River. And after being there we then went to Maronek and after marching and guarding we returned to Pines Bridge again, and after being there a while were dismissed to go home and did so.

The next call that we had was the following season whereby we were compelled to got to Crumpond to guard and defend against the enemy and there we remained for some time under the same officers and in the same regiment commanded by Captain Brown and Lieutenant Purdy. After one time expired there we then returned home.

And the next season we were called again and turned out and went to Scrubook Plain so called at that time, now York Town. Where we remained in the same manner and some at Westfall until we were dismissed to return home. Which time the service rendered as heretofore severally put together did amount to twelve months extra services under requisitions rendered by drafts and otherwise at their different times from the year 1776, to 1783. They were classed six men in each class and each class obliged to furnish a man agreeable to the above requisition.

And for the services of which I complied with for about twelve months more in the same company and regiment and before which and after which until November 1783 we were held liable to be called out to guard the time during said term of our being at home and we were notified to that effect. That we might be in readiness.

I never intended heretofore to ask for a pension; but as circumstances have changed together with old age, and the times being different from what they have been heretofore amiss your [?] to petition for help as he verily believes he is entitled to it according to the provision of the act.

And he finds it most difficult to prove services as there is not one living at this late period neither officer or soldier who served with him during said service. That he can find or know of. But he will use due diligence for that purpose and give the best

evidence that can be obtained at this late period if the evidence already exhibited is not sufficient to fetch it within the provision of the law after it passes examination.

He hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension whatever or annuity except present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state. (Signed) William Teed

Sworn and subscribed the day and year first above written. John Green Justice of the Peace of the County of Westchester.

Letter in folder dated July 28, 1928, written in response to an inquiry.

I advise you from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim R.10442, it appears that William Teed was born in April 1750.

He applied for pension October 4, 1843, while living in Somers Township, Westchester County, New York, and stated that he enlisted in Stephenstown (which was later Somers) and served several tours in Captain Andrew Brown's Company, Colonel Drake's New York Regiment. His claim was not allowed as there was not proof of specific service, as required by the pension laws.

There are no data as to family.

The above noted William Teed (Read) is the only soldier of that name found on the Revolutionary War records of this bureau, and said records fail to afford any data in regard to any Charles Teed or Tead.