

Pension Application for Conrad Tinkee or Tinkey

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State of New Jersey

Sussex County SS.

On this first day of December 1834 personally appeared in open court, before the Judges of the inferior Court of Common Pleas Sussex County now sitting Conrad Tinkey, a resident in the Township of Vernon in the county aforesaid, aged 79 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 entered the service of the United States, under the following named officers, and served as herein stated.

That on or about the first of June in the year 1777, he then resided at a place called the Scotch patent, in the now country of Montgomery, in the State of New York, hearing that Genl Burgoine [Burgoyne] was on the march with his army from Canady towards Albany, he volunteered his services as a private in a Company of Militia of which James Baty was Capt in Col'n Campbell's regiment (he believes) and went to Salem, about 15 miles east of Fort Edwards [Edward] and assisted in making fortifications there and served until in the month of July until Gen Burgoine got below them with his army when they left the place and he returned home, having served not less than one month.

That early in the Spring of the year 1778, he removed from his place of residence to the now town of Ramapo in the now County of Rockland in the State of New York and arrived [arrived] there in the month of April and resided in the beat of Capt Garret Ackers Company in Col'n A. Hawkes Hays Regiment, and very soon after his arrival he was put into a class in said company and was called upon and performed his regular tours of guard duty, and served not less than one week in each and every four week[s] until winter of that year and guarded at Clarkstown at Tappan Town, along the North River at Haverstraw, and served not less than one month and a half in weekly tours, on actual duty in the field.

That early in the spring of the year 1779, he was again called upon to attend guard and served his tower [tour?] until the first of June and served two weeks in weekly tours on guard at Clarkstown when the British Army, having taken possession of Stony Point, Capt. Acker marched with the greatest part of his company, to guard at that place and he marched with the said Company and was stationed at different places near the said Point to prevent the British army to march out and plunder and distress the inhabitants and served with very little intermission until late in the fall, when the British army sailed for New York, that he was permitted at times to go home for one , two, three, and four days at a time and then return'd again, and how long he was absent in all he is now unable to say, but is positive he served not less than four months and a half on actual duty in the field.

That early in the spring of the year 1780 he again entered the service to perform his weekly tours of duty and served not less than one week in each and every four weeks, until winter and guarded at Haverstraw at Clarkstown at Nyack at Tappan

town and at the long and short close, and served not less than two months in weekly tours, on actual duty in the field.

That in the spring of the year 1782 he again entered the service, and served in weekly tours as aforesaid and served until in the month of September, guarding as aforesaid and served not less than one month on actual duty in the field.

That early in the spring of the year 1781 he again entered the service and performed his weekly tours as aforesaid and served until in the month of September, guarding as aforesaid and served not less than one month on actual duty in the field.

That all his above reated [related?] services except those in the year 1777, was performed as a private in Capt. Garret Ackers company in Col'n Hays regiment.

That he is now unable to prove his services in the year 1777,. As he does not know of a single person living that served with him, and he has annexed to this his declaration all the testimony he is able to procure to substantiate his claim he did go to the county of Rockland and there found but two now alive that served in Capt. Garrett Acker's Company during the revolutionary war, and one of them not in a state of mind judged capable of being sworn, and those that served in other companys could only say that they see him on duty.

He was born in the town of Clarkstown now County of Rockland on the twenty fourth day of March 1755.

That the record of his age is recorded in the records of Dutch Reformed Church at Clarkstown aforesaid from which he received his information.

That he resided int he now County of Montgomery as aforesaid when he first entered the service from which place he removed to the now town of Ramapo (formerly Hlampstead) in the now County of Rockland (formerly Orange) where he resided until the spring of the year 1824 when removed to his present residence where he has resided ever since.

That he always volunteered his services.

That Genl Wayne, Genl Washington, Genl Schuyer, Major Lee were at times with the troops in which he served.

That he never received a written discharge.

That Judge Shay, David Ford, Col'n Hamilton and many other citizens of the County of Sussex are personally acquainted with him and can testify as to his character for veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the Revolution.

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) Coonrod Tlinkee

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. Jos. Miller, Presiding Judge &c.