

Pension Application for Richard Tripp

S.14717

State of New York

County of Greene SS

On this fifth day of September 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas now sitting Richard Tripp a resident of Greenville in the County of Greene and State of New York aged Seventy eight 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 under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

That on or about the fifth day of April of the year 1775 he was drafted at Fishkill in the County of Dutchess and State of New York to serve in the militia of said State for the term of six months.

That he entered the service and served in the company commanded by William B. Alger in the Regiment commanded of Colonel Cornelius VanWyck. That the ensign in said company was Cornelius Wiltsie. That the said Company and Regiment was formed some time pervious to his entering the service. That he joined the said company and regiment at West Point in said State and continued to serve there until the expiration of his said term of enlistment in the fall of said year when he was regularly discharged at West Point aforesaid.

That on the same day that he received his discharge he enlisted again at the place aforesaid for the term of six months and served in the same company and Regiment as the proceeding enlistment, the same officers continuing in command.

That soon after this second engagement he marched with his Regiment to croton Creek a river in said state to guard the lines. That while stationed at Croton Creek he ws in an engagement with a party of the Enbemy who came over to the number of 40th to drive away cattle. That he continued with his said Regiment at this station until February of the year 1776 when his Regiments returned to Fishkill aforesaid when this applicant was regularly discharged in the spring of the same year.

That on receiving his second discharge he returned home, but remained but a few days and in the same spring returned and enlisted again at Fishkill aforesaid in the same company and Regiment and under the same officers as in the preceding engagements for the term of three months.

That soon after this engagement he marched with his said Regiment to Norwalk in the State of Connecticut for the purpose of guarding the lines. That he continued to serve at Norwalk aforesaid until the expiration of his said enlistment and was regularly discharged in the Summer of the year 1776.

That this applicant at the period of his several enlistments was a resident of Fishkill in the state of new York.

That at the expiration of each of his several terms of service he received from his Colonel Cornelius VanWyck aforesaid a written discharge; that he returned these several discharges in his in his possession until about the year 1800 when he

discharged them with many the papers he considered of no value removing from Fishkill. That after the above mentioned service he was one of two men who hired a third man by the name of Burch for during the war and for which they paid him three hundred dollars and soon after he hired an other man for six months and paid him sixty dollars besides, furnishing them with a blanket and three days provision and afterwards hired a third man by the name of John McGill for three months and paid him 32 Dollars and furnished him with a blanket and three days provision who can testify to his said services that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is no on the pension of the agency of any state.

That in answer to the interrogatories put by the Court he states that he was born in the year 1754 in the town of Washington in the county of Dutchess and State of New York. That when called into the service he resided in Fishkill in said County. That he has the record of his age in his father's family Bible. That he removed from Fishkill aforesaid into the Town of Wsterlow [Westerlo] in the County of Albany. That he has reside din the town of Greenville fourteeneyars. That he has hired several substitutes but never served as such. That in the section of County where he served there were but few Continental officers or Regiments.

That he received in the course of his service three written discharges, all of which were given by Colonel VanWyck.

That Abijah Reed Esq the Honl Perkins King Frederick Coonly and any person of respectability within the acquaintance of this applicant are given as persons who can testify to his character for veracity and their belief of his services in the army of the Revolution. (Signed Richard Tripp

Sworn and subscribed in open court Sept 5, 1832. William V.B. Heermance,
Clerk