Pension Application for Wynant C. Vandenburgh

S.32032 State of New York Rensselaer County SS.

Wynant C. Vandenbergh of Hoosick County of Rensselaer & State of :New York in order to obtain a Pension under the act of June 7th 1832, who being first duly sworn upon his oath makes this additional affidavit and says that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory as he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades, that he this deponent entered the service of the United States in the war of the revolution about the middle of May 1777 as a private in Schaghticoke Rensselaer Co., N.Y. in a company of militia commanded by Jacob Gates Captain, John Bradt lieutenant of Richard Davenport Ensign in a regiment commanded by Colonel Peter Yates and John Groesbeck major and marched to Fort Edward and assisted in removing the artillery of the army from Fort Edward to Stillwater and thence to half moon in Saratoga County was gone at least at this time no less than two weeks and then came home that the fore part of October 1777 this deponent was again called out by the last mentioned officers and marched to Stillwater, Saratoga Co., New York and joined the army under the command of General gates and was in the first battle at the capture of Burgoyne. That immediately after the surrender of Burgoyne this deponent was dismissed and went home that this deponent was in service at this time three weeks that in the summer of 1778 this deponent was again called out (and in the month of June) and marched to Palmertown, Saratoga Co. under Captain Jacob Yates, Richard Davenport Ensign and John Bradt Lieutenant, Peter Yates Colonel & John Groesbeck major and was in actual service one month, guarding the country from the enemy and tories was then discharged and went home.

That in the fall of this same year 1778 and in the beginning of October this deponent was called out and marched under the command of the last mentioned officers to a place called Saratoga and was then in actual service one month employed in garrisoning that place and guarding the country.

That in the fall of 1778 and this deponent thinks about the middle of November he was again called out and marched to fort Edward John VanRensselaer was the Lieutenant Colonel that commanded there, and served as a Sergeant under Captain Yates, was in actual service at this time no less than one month and this deponent believes five weeks was then discharged and went home, was employed at this time in garrisoning and guarding Fort Edward.

That in the fore part of May in 1779 this deponent was again called out by the same officers (Capt Yates, and Lieutenant Colonel VanRensselaer) and marched to Ticonderoga on lake Champlain was there a short time and then marched to Crown Point was in actual service at this time one month and served as a sergeant, was employed in scouting and guarding those places from the enemy.

That in the following year 1780 he was again called out twice the first time in June and marched to fort Ann and Lake George under the command of Capt Yates was employed in scouting parties and guarding the country served as a sergeant and was in actual service two weeks. The second time in this year that this deponent was called out was in the fore part of the fall and marched to Fort Edward and Whitehall under the command of Capt Yates, served as a sergeant and was in actual service at this time two weeks employed in watching the enemy and guarding the country;

That in 1781 this deponent was called out and served under captain yates and Major Groesbeck in May marched to Palmertown to guard that place and the adjoining country was in actual service at this time and served as a sergeant three weeks was then discharged and sent home.

That in the following October this deponent entered the service again and was called out by Capt Yates, John Van Antwerp Ensign and marched to Palmertown Saratoga country and was employed in helping a garrison at that place and in scouting the country was employed as a sergeant and in actual service at this time two weeks and was then discharged and sent home.

That in the following year 1782 and in the fore part of the summer this deponent was again called out under Captain Yates and marched to Otsego under the command of General Clinton in pursuit of the hostile Indians was in actual service at this time three weeks when he was discharged and sent home.

That in the fall of this same year this deponent was again called out by Capt Yates & John Van Antwerp Ensign and the last of September or the first of October and marched to Jessups Patent and in Saratoga County N. York went out on a scouting party to watch the enemy and was in actual service at this time as a sergeant one week was then discharged and sent home.

And this deponent further says that he was born in 1760 Albany County N. York lived there about ten years then moved to Schaghticoke Rensselaer Co. N. York where he resided about twelve days when he moved to then Cambridge Washington Co. N. York but now Hoosick Rensselaer N. York where he still resides—has a record of his age—never received a written discharge from the service and this deponent further says that during the several periods of service above mentioned he was not employed in any civil pursuit. (Signed with his mark) Wynant Vandenburgh

Sworn before me on this 12^{th} day of July 1833. H. Knickerbacker first Judge of Rensselaer County.

Letter in folder dated September 7, 1933, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your letter in which you request the Revolutionary War record of Wynant C. Vandenburgh.

The data furnished herein were obtained from the papers on file in pension claim, S.32032, based upon the Revolutionary War service of Wynant C. Vandenburgh.

He was born in the year 1780 in Albany County, New York, and moved when about ten years of age to Schaghticoke, then Albany (later Rensselaer) County, New York; the names of his parents are not given.

While residing in said Schaghticoke, Wynant C. Vandenburgh enlisted and served at various times as private and sergeant in captain Jacob Yates' company, Colonel Peter Yates' New York regiment; from the spring of 1777, was in the battle at Saratoga, in many scouting parties, was stationed at Fort Edward, Ticonderoga, Crown Point, and Fort Ann; served until the close of the war, length of service more than seven months.

Wynant C. Vandenburgh was allowed pension on his application executed, August 6, 1832, then a resident of Hoosick, Rensselaer County, New York. In 1844 he was residing in Canandaigua, Ontario County, New York.

There are no data in this claim relative to the family of Wynant C. Vandenburgh.