

### Pension Application for Peter VanOrden or VanOrder

R.10,885

Declaration of peter Van Orden in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832  
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 of Greene County now sitting Peter VanOrden a resident of the Town of Windham of the county and state aforesaid aged seventy one years who being duly sworn first 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<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following names officers & served as herein stated that he was first enrolled in Captain David Abeel; (1) Malitia Company the year 1777 and was called out the same year & marched to Fort Edward when Burgoyne was marching down Anthony VanBergen was Colonel of his regiment and retreated with General Philip Schuyler (2) from Fort Edward to the plains of Saratoga and to StillWater and he was present at the Battle (3) between General Gates (4) and General Burgoyne (5) and he was taken sick a few days before Burgoyne surrendered and sent home. That the whole time he served from the time he was called out till he was taken sick and sent home was two months. That afterwards he was called out in the year 1778, in the summer of that year and marched to Schoharie where Peter Vrooman (6) commanded as Colonel of the Malitia and served one month and was then discharged – and afterwards in the autumn of the same year he was called out and marched to Schohaire again and served under Captain Nicholas Staats, (7) Colonel Butler (8) who commanded the Continental troops at the middle fort where he this said deponent served one month and was then discharged and that afterwards he served under Lieutenant Wessel Salisbury (9) for eighteen days in keeping guard against the Indians in the Neighbourhood Catskill Mountains in the Summer of the year seventeen hundred and seventy nine.

That he served during the war as volunteer in scouting parties at different times, under Captain John Witbeck and Captain Benjamin Dubois, (10) taken altogether the different times he served in the scouting parties amount to about two months that he also served under Lieutenant William Snyder (11) for one week in the neighbourhood of Catskill Mountains the Colonel was Anthony VanBergen who commanded at that time and also served one week under Lieutenant Richard Vanderbergh and marched to Albany and did duty as guard. That he further besides his above mentioned services hired on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of March 1779 and able bodied man as substitute to serve for him during the rest of the Revolutionary War. (See the certificate hereunto annexed).

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) Peter Van Order

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open court. William V.B. Hermance Clerk.

Letter written in response to a request for information, dated April 7, 1936.

Reference is made to your letter in which you request the Revolutionary War records of Peter Van Orden, Abraham Overbagh and Jeremiah Overbagh, all of Green County, New York.

There is no claim for pension on file based upon the military service of Abraham Overbagh in the Revolutionary War. Such claims are the source of the data furnished by this office.

It is suggested that as a possibly means of obtaining information in regard to the military service of that soldier, you apply to The Adjutant General, War Department, this city, who is custodian of military records.

The records of Jeremiah Overbagh and Peter VanOrden are furnished herein.

Jeremiah Oerbagh

R.16875

The data which follow are obtained from the papers on file in Revolutionary War pension claim, R.16875, based upon the military service of Jeremiah Overbagh.

Jeremiah Overbagh was born in Green County, New York. The date of his birth and names of his parents are not stated.

He married March 1, 1781, at Catskill, New York, Sarah VanOrden. The date and place of her birth and the names of her parents are not stated.

After the Revolution, Jeremiah and Sarah Overbagh moved to Saugerties, Ulster County, New York.

Jeremiah Overbagh died late in the year 1813.

On December 11, 1838, Sarah Overbagh, then aged eighty years and a resident of Saugerties, Ulster County, New York, applied for the pension which might have been due on account of the services of her husband, Jeremiah Overbagh, in the Revolutionary War, and stated that while a resident of Rhinebeck, Dutchess County, New York, he enlisted at the commencement of the Revolution, and served at different times until 1782, at least two years in all, as private, sergeant and ensign under Captain Benjamin Dubois, colonels Anthony Van Bergen, Lewis Dubois, Malcomb and Marinus Willett in the New York Troops; that during part of his service, he was stationed on the frontiers of Albany and Schoharie Counties, also, along the Hudson and Mohawk Rivers and was engaged in several battles along the Mohawk with the Indians and Tories under Brant and Butler. An official report from the Comptroller's Office in the state of New York showed that Jeremiah Overbagh served in 1778 under Captain Thomas Hooghteling and Colonel Jacobus VanSchoonhoven; in 1779, under Captain Benjamin Dubois and Colonel Robert VanRensselaer; and in 1780, under Lieutenant Anthony Abeel and Captain Benjamin Dubois and Colonel Albert Pawling, all in the New York Troops, amounting in all to four months and twenty-nine days.

This claim for pension was not allowed because proof of service of six months was not established in accordance with the requirements of the pension law.

Jeremiah Overbagh enlisted in the War of 1812 on January 15, 1813, for five years, served as private in Captain Lizus B. Canfield's company, 23<sup>rd</sup> Regiment, United States Infantry; on April 30, 1813, was transferred to Lieutenant Benjamin H. Moore's company in same regiment, marched to Fort George in Canada and was in the action at the taking of said Fort George, after which he was taken sick and died "on the Ridge Road about twelve miles from Lewistown on the Niagara River in the County of Niagara and state of New York, on his way with the rest of the sick to Greenbush near Albany". This was late in the year 1813, as stated above.

[In handwriting: Capt Canfield per copy by enl. Of this soldier in which his age is shown as 45 yrs., but as that would have made his birth date 1768, I did not use because it is highly improbable that he could have rendered in the service in the Rev. & mar. in 1781. Still another handwritten note: It was stated that he died Oct 14, 1813, but as ? and says he was in service Dec. 31, 1813, did not use date of death.]

On June 11, 1839, Sarah Overbagh, widow of Jeremiah Overbagh, and James Overbagh, Joel Overbagh, Benjamin Overbagh [in handwriting, This Benj. Is not listed with the other children], Wilhelmus Overbagh, Jeremiah Overbagh, Levi Overbagh and Anna Crawford, wife of Jacob T. Crawford, only surviving children of the soldier, Jeremiah Overbagh, applied for the bounty land which was due on account of his service in the War of 1812.

The widow, Sarah, and the above named children were granted one hundred sixty acres of bounty land on Warrant No. 27174, under the Acts of December 24, 1811 and January 11, 1812. The residence of the widow was then Saugerties, New York; the places of residence of the children are not shown.

In order to obtain information in regard to the location of the land cited above, you should address the Commissioner of the General Land Office, Interior Department, this city, and furnish that official with the number of the warrant, the acreage, and the acts under which it was issued.

The names and dates of birth of the following children are shown:

Son Alies or Elias Overbagh born December 9, 1781.

Son Hezekiah Overbagh born April 12, 1784.

Son Levi Overbagh born November 18, 1786.

Son Jeremiah Overbagh born December 1, 1789.

Son Joel Overbagh born January 11, 1792.

Son Congenan (?) Overbagh born January 3, 1794.

Daughter Hannah Overbagh born May 23, 1796.

Son Jacobes Overbagh born October 30, 1798.

Son Wilhalmes Overbagh born March 29, 1801.

Son Benjamin Overbagh born Date not given.

It was stated that Jeremiah Overbagh had two brothers, Peter and John Overbagh.

In 1838, the widow's brother, William VanOrden, resided in Catskill, New York, and in same year, her cousin, Peter VanOrden lived in Windham, Greene County, New York.

There are no further family data.

Peter Van Orden

R.10885

The data which follow are obtained from papers on file in Revolutionary War pension claim R.10885m based upon the military service of Peter VanOrden or VanOrder in that War.

Peter VanOrden or Van Order was born in 1761, "at a place called District of Great Imbought, Albany County, later Catskill, Greene County, New York." The exact date of his birth and the names of his parents are not shown.

September 5, 1832, while a resident of Windham, Greene County, New York, where he had resided since the Revolution, Peter VanOrden or Van Order made application for pension and stated that while residing in Catskill, New York, he enlisted in 1777, served in Captain Abeel's Company, Colonel Anthony VanBergen's Regiment of which Ignatius VanOrden was major; no relationship to soldier was shown; that he marched to Fort Edwards, thence to Saratoga and Stillwater and was in the battle between General Gates and Burgoyne, after which he was taken sick and returned home having served two months; that in the summer of 1778, he enlisted and served one month at the upper fort against the attacks of the Indians and Tories; that in the autumn of the same year, he again served one month at Schoharie, this time at the middle fort under Captain Nicholas Staats; and that again in that year, he served one week under Lieutenant William Snyder acting as a guard against the Indians near Catskill, New York; that in the summer of 1779, he served eighteen days under Lieutenant Wessel Salisbury, and again acted as a guard against the Indians near Catskill; that in 1779, he served fifteen days under Lieutenant Richard Vanderburgh at a fort near Albany; that he served, also, at various times during the whole of the war on scouting parties under Captains John Whitbeck and Benjamin Dubois, this scouting service amounting to about two months in all, and that his entire service was seven months and ten days. All his service was in the New York troops.

His claim was not allowed as he did not serve six months in a regularly organized military corps as required by the pension law, his service as scout and his patrol duty not being provided for in the act under which he applied.

The soldier died in July 1841, and his widow died in April 1849. The date and place of marriage and the name of his wife are not shown.

Peter VanOrden, the oldest son was born December 4, 1800. In 1852, he was residing in Windham, New York, and stated that his parents had five daughters, three of whom were living at that time but did not give their names. He stated that most of his father's children were then living in Greene County, New York.

In 1853, one David VanOrden was living in Greene County, New York, and stated that he was directly interested in the pension claim of Peter VanOrden but did not state his relationship to the soldier.

End Notes—Peter Van orden—R.10885

1. David Abeel, Captain of the Fifth Company in Colonel Anthony VanBergen's Eleventh Regiment of Albany County Militia.
2. Major General Philip Schuyler of the Continental Army.
3. Peter is probably referring to the Battle of Bemis Heights which was fought on October 7, 1777.
4. Major General Horatio Gates of the Continental Army.
5. General John Burgoyne surrendered his British forces on October 17, 1777.
6. Peter Vrooman was the Colonel of the Fifteenth Regiment of Albany County Militia.
7. Nicholas Staats was a Captain in Colonel Kiliam VanRensselaer's Fourth Regiment of Albany County Militia.
8. Colonel William Butler commanded the Fourth Pennsylvania Continental Regiment. They were stationed in the Schoharie Valley from the summer of 1778 until the summer of 1779 when they joined Brigadier General James Clinton's Army.
9. Second Lieutenant Wessel Salisbury of Captain John A. Whitbeck's Company (Fourth Company) in the Eleventh Albany.
10. Benjamin C. Dubois was a Captain in the Eleventh Albany.
11. Lieutenant William Snyder.
12. First Lieutenant Richard VanDenBergh of Captain Henry VanBergen's Company in the Eleventh Albany.