

Pension Application for Samuel Van Vleck

W.16455 (Widow: Catharine) Samuel died September 18, 1833.

State of New York

Oneida County SS

Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of an Act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

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On this 11th day of September 1842 personally appeared in open court in the Court of Common Pleas of Oneida Co., now sitting Samuel VanVleck a resident 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 he was born at the City of N.Y. July 1748—has no record of his age in family bible resided at New York when he entered service—Since war has resided at Lansingburgh N.Y., Nine Partners, Dutchess Co. N.Y. and [?] Trenton, Oneida Co..

That the latter part of the year 1775 he was elected a First Lieutenant of the 16th Beat of Col. Jas. Abeels Regt of N.Y. Militia. John H. Kip was 2nd Lt Peter Kelsam Ensign.

In the Spring of 1776 the company of which this deponent had command was called out and commenced forty [?] at Bayards Hill since called Bunkerhill N.Y., and said Company [?] deponent as Lieutenant continued in service over six months. This deponent left New York when evacuated by the American Troops and all his papers and effects fell into the hands of the British and were destroyed. Papers which would have proved his rank and services.

In the year 1778 he this deponent believes he volunteered in col Stephen J. Schuyler's regiment and marched to Caughnawaga on the Mohawk River and remained there and in that service in service against the British and Indians about three weeks.

That during the fall of the same year this deponent again volunteered under Col. Schuyler and went against the Tories and Indians in Albany County and served on that tour about [?] days, making seven months and a few days service.

He has no writings they having been destroyed at New York. Refers to annexed certificate and affidavits as all the proof he has & also as to [?]. Knew Col. Rutgers and Schuyler Cont Officers.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is onto on the pension roll of the agency of any state. (Signed) Saml VanVleck

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. Joseph B. Read Dep. Clk