

Pension Application for John Van Vorst or Jellis Van Vost

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State of New York

County of Schenectady; SS

On this twenty fourth day of April 1818 before me the subscriber John Yates, one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the County of Schenectady personally appears Jelles Van Vorst aged eighty one years, resident in the City of Schenectady, who being by me first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress, entitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War.

That he said Jelles Van Vorst, enlisted in Capt. Cornelius Van Dycks Company, Col. VanSchaick's Regiment in the year 1775 in the month of May and went to the taken [taking] of Quebeck [Quebec] when General Montgomery was killed & served eleven months—and in the year 1777, he enlisted in Caleb Giles [?] company—Colonel Seth Warners Regiment of United State troops in the month of August and served in the said Regiment until the month of October in the year 1780 and was taken by the enemy when they took Fort George, near Lake George, State of New York and continued in Canada until the year 1782 when he made his escape and that the Regiment never was afterwards organized—they having been all taken at that time--& that he received his bounty lands form the State of New York and that he is in reduced circumstances & stands in need of the assistance of his county for support and that he has no other evidence, now in his power for his said services but what is annexed. (Signed) Jellis Van Vost.

Sworn before me this 24th day of April 1818 before me. John Yates, Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, Schenectady County.