

Pension Application for Jacob Vosburgh

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State of New York
Albany County SS.

On this 21st day of July one thousand eight hundred and thirty two personally appeared in open court before the Justices of the Justices Court of the City of Albany now sitting Jacob Vosburgh a resident of the City of Albany in the County of Albany and State of New York aged seventy years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make he following declaration in order to obtain he benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

In the summer of 1779 he was enrolled as a volunteer & private in a company of Malitia and marched from the City of Albany where he resided (taking what was called the old Schoharie road) to Schoharie County and was stationed at the old stone church then used as and called the upper fort. No regular troops were stationed here. He was absent on duty one month. The only officers he can now recollect were Major Van Buren & Lieutenant Sevinus Winne.

And he further declares that in the Summer of 1780 he was again enrolled as a volunteer private in a company of Malitia commanded by Capt Jacob Lansing and marched taking the same rout [route] as before from Albany to Schoharie and was again stationed at the upper fort. He saw no regular troops here. He was absent a month. His other officers as now recollected were Col. Philip Schuyler and Major Abraham Fonda.

And he further declares that in the summer of 1781 he was again enrolled as a volunteer and private in captain Jacob Lansings company of Malitia and went to Schoharie & was again stationed at the upper fort. He does not recollect seeing any regular troops was absent one month and the only other officer at this time he recollects was Major Abraham Fonda.

And he further declares that in the summer of 1782 he was again reenrolled as a volunteer and private in Capt Jacob Lansing's Company of militia and marched form Albany by the way of Schenectady Fort Hunter and the other places on the Mohawk River to Fort Plain that after having been here a month and better. Went to Bowman's Creek where he remained near a month longer and then returned home having been absent two months and more.

The names of his other officers as now recollected by him were Major Abraham Fonda & Lieutenant Levinus Winne. In giving the names of the officers for each of the above times that he was embodied and turned out he may owing to the lapse of time since those services were performed have fallen into some mistake but as to the services themselves he speaks positively and unequivocally and declares that they were performed.

And he further declares that he was during the whole of the revolution when at home called upon every week and frequently three times in a week either to stand

guard for the protection of the City at night or when alarms were given to time out or to attend the drills which were so numerous at this period and that these services last mentioned this rendered would taken together be equal to at least four months militia duty. And he further declares that the services above rendered by him amount to nine months duty.

And he further declares that he was born in the City of Albany in the County of Albany & State of New York in the year 1762 that he has resided in the said city ever since and that the only record he has of his age is contained in his family Bible.

He has no documentary evidence of his aforesaid services and never had any. That the aforesaid officers are to the best of his knowledge and belief all dead and if not he is unacquainted with their places of residence and that there is no person now living to his knowledge who can testify to his said services or any part thereof except what has been sworn to by Abraham Vosburgh whole affidavit-accompanies this his declaration.

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 or if any, only on that of the agency of the State of New York. (Signed) Jacob Vosburgh

Sworn to & Subscribed the day & year aforesaid. J. G. Wasson, Clk