

Pension Application for Solomon Wade

S.11677

State of Vermont

County of Bennington

Manchester Probate District. SS

On this 29th day of August AD 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Court of Probate for the District of Manchester aforesaid now sitting Solomon Wade a resident of Rupert in the County of Bennington and State of Vermont aged eighty three years. Who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the 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 year of 1776.

I resided in Hebron State of New York. I lived out a short time to Ebenezer Russell of Salem New York, while there, there came orders for men & he raised for what was called the six months service, and I volunteered for that time, entered the service about the first of June under Capt. McCracken of Salem New York, and Lieut John Armstrong of the same place. I joined the Company at Lake George, we belonged to the Regiment [Regiment] commanded by Col. VanScoix [VanSchaick] of Albany, I believe in Genl Schaylers [Schuyler's] brigade, we were stationed at fort George a short time, then Rec'd orders, and marched to Albany It was said the Torys had made an attempt to blow up the magazine at Albany, we were ordered then to guard the Stores.

Capt McCrackin[s] Company and a company and a company commanded by Capt Hox of New York both marched to Albany at this time, while here we received the records of the declaration of Independence, we were paraded to the declaration read at the head of the troops and we had a of recording – we remained here about two months the volunteers were then ordered back to Lake George—lay here until the fourteen days before my time was out, then ordered to fort Edward, where we lay, when my time was out.

I was then dismissed I think the first day of Dec—the enxt year in 1777, I was out about two months as a scout watching the motion of the enemy the Torys, and Indians which were murdering and alarming the people at every part from the north & west, the murder of Miss McRea took place at this time which very much was [?] and scared the people. I was under Capt. Munson I think his name was John. I was part of the time at White Hall the then called Skenesboro. Some of the time at what was called [Monroco?] Meadows and at fort Edward. The same year I turned out again as a volunteer to go to Saratoga to join Genl Gates Army I entered the service and marched to Saratoga under Capt. Wilson in Col Williams Regiment of New York Militia. We arrived at Saratoga the Friday or Saturday I think before Burgoyne surrendered, on Sunday we had a skirmish with the British a few days then returned home. I was out this time about one week. My place of residence was in Hebron New York during this time. I continued to reside there until 1777 when I returned to Rupert Vt where I have

lived ever since and where I now reside. I was born in Branford Connecticut the 4th December 1748. My age is recorded in Branford.

I have no documentary evidence, and I do not know of any person, whose testimony I can procure who can testify to my services except Ebenezer Russell whose testimony is here enclosed.

I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and I also declare that my name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State. I am known to the following persons in my neighborhood who can testify as to my character for veracity and their belief of my services as a soldier of the Revolution viz, Rev. David Wilson, David Sheldon Esqr and Henry Sheldon Esqr.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. (Signed) Solomon Wade.

Attest Henry Robinson Register.