

Pension Application for John Wandell or John Y. Wendell

W.15816 (Widow: Hannah)

Letter in folder dated November 23, 1933, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your letter relative to one Hannah Wendel, widow of John, a soldier of the Revolutionary War.

The data contained herein are obtained from the papers on file in the Revolutionary War claim for pension, w.15816, based upon the military service of John Wandell in that war.

John Wandell or John Y. Wendell, enlisted place not stated, in May or June 1775, served as private in Captain John Visscher's Company, Lieutenant Colonel Yates and Colonel G. VanSchaick's New York Regiment was at the siege of Quebec and was discharged April 30, 1776.

He was allowed pension on his application executed April 1, 1818 while a resident of Otsego, Otsego County, New York, aged sixty-three years "and upwards".

The soldier signed John "Wandell". His name was borne on the marriage record of the church as John Y., "Wendell". It was explained that the initial "Y" was used only to distinguish him from others of the same name and that soldier later dropped the initial.

He died March 6, 1824, place not stated.

Soldier married February 1, 1778, Hannah VanDenbergh. He was then a resident of Schaghticoke, New York. Their marriage was recorded on the records of the Protestant Reformed Dutch Church of Schaghticoke, Rensselaer County, New York.

Soldier's widow, Hannah Wandell or Wendell, was allowed pension on her application executed September 18, 1838 while a resident of Richfield, Otsego County, New York, aged eighty-four years. The date and place of her birth are not given, and no reference is made to her parents.

In 1838 Wynant C. Vandenberg brother of the widow, was living in Victor, Ontario County, and was then aged seventy-eight years "and upwards".

Christopher J. Yates, a nephew of the widow, was living in 1838, his residence and age are not stated. There are no further family data. The name Jacob Wendell does not appear⁵ in the papers on file in this pension claim.