

Pension Application for Adam Wever or Weber

S.43262

State of New York

Jefferson County SS.

On the 31st day of August 1818 before me, the subscriber one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the County aforesaid Adam Wever, the person who subscribed his name to the annexed application, who being by me first duly sworn deposeth and saith that the manner in which his name was originally Spelt was Adam Wever, but that he cannot read either print, or writing in English, no does not understand the sounds of the different letters, that he is a high Dutchman, bred and born at the German Flatts o;n the Mohawk River and further that there was no other person (to his knowledge) known by that name in the Regiment in which he served and further saith not. (Signed) Adam Wever

Sworn and subscribed to before me the day and year above written. Lyman Ellis Judge as aforesaid.

I hereby certify that the above named Adam Wever has resided in this town about nine years, with his family by whom I had understood that their names were spelt. Weber notwithstanding they were known by the name of Wever, that they had been so instructed by a certain School Master, but originally it written Wever and that they were call'd by that name.

That the said Adam Wever is a very illiterate Dutchman and almost entirely unacquainted with the English Language, and his pronunciation is such as hardly to be understood.

Such as Aam for Adam, Shorge for George &c. I fully believe therefore that the Error in writing his name is solely for want of a knowledge what letter were proper to spell the word Adam Wever—from my acquaintance with the said Wever I am satisfied, that from his reduced circumstances, he stands in need of assistance from his Country for support, being very infirm owing to an eruption. Ellisburgh August 31st 1818 Lyman Ellis, one of the Judges of Jefferson County.

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On this 27th day of April 1818, before me the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the County aforesaid personally appears Adam Weber aged 61 years, resident in the said district, 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 and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war:" That he the said Adam Weber enlisted in the year 1776 in the state of New York and same line in the company commanded by Captain John Grimes in Col. Van Schuyeks' Regit of the Continental Establishment; that he continued to serve in the said corps, or in the service in New Windsor, Snake Hill, state of New York that

he was in the battles of White Plains and Monmouth and at the taking of Lord Cornwallis, served in the whole about six years & seven months and that he is in reduced circumstances, and stands in need of the assistance of his or support; and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services. (Signed) Adam Weber

Sworn to and declared before me, the day and year aforesaid, Lyman Ellis one of the Judges of the County aforesaid.

Letter in folder dated June 13, 1935, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your letter of May 18, 1935, requesting information in regard to Adam Weber, a soldier of the Revolutionary War.

The data which follow were obtained from papers on file in the pension claim, S.43262, based upon the military service of Adam Weber.

He was born in German Flats on the Mohawk River. The date of his birth and the names of his parents were not given.

While living in New York State he enlisted in 1776 and served until June 5, 1783 as private in Captains John Grimes' (probably meant for Graham's) and Grigg's (probably meant for Gregg's) companies in Colonel Van Schaick's First New York Regiment. He was in the battles of White Plains, Monmouth and Yorktown.

He was allowed pension on his application executed April 27, 1818, at which time he was sixty-one years of age and was living in Ellisburgh, Jefferson County, New York, having moved there about 1809.

In 1820 the soldier stated that his wife (name not given) was seventy years of age and that they were living with their son, George, who had a family (names not given).

Adam Weber died September 23, 1828.

His son, George, was living in Jefferson County, New York, in 1857.

The papers in this claim contain no further data relative to the soldier's family.