

Pension Application for Ichabod Williams

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Declaration. In order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

State of New York

County of Tompkins SS

On this 3d day of October 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Court of Common pleas being a Court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas being a court of record and now sitting Ichabod Williams a resident of Lansing in the County and State aforesaid aged seventy six 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 February 1776 at North Salem the place of his residence in the County of Westchester he enlisted as a volunteer for the term of one year in the New York line of troops under Captain Samuel Delaran in the regiment commanded by Col. McDougale the names of his Lieutenant and ensign he does not now recollect he was stationed at fort Minute near Hurlgate, his duty was working on said fort. At the end of three months his company was disbanded and he had leave of his Captain to return home.

In May 1776 he again enlisted at Nort Salem aforesaid for the term of one year under Captain Cornelius Steenrod Elijah Oakley first Lieutenant and _____ Titus Second Lieutenant in the aforesaid regiment; during this term he was stationed at New York, his duty was working on the fort at Governis [Governors?] Island, which fort was built of [turf?] which term he served out.

On the first day of January 1777 he again enlisted under the said Captain Delaran who commanded a company of rangers for the term of three months during this term he was wounded by the enemy and was carried home from Kings Street on a horse litter by his father and brother in law by the orders of his Captain. He was confined with his wound during the spring and most of the summer from this time until the close of the war he was frequently orders out on duty in the case of alarms; on one of these occasions he went as a volunteer with captain Lockwood below the lines on the scout, and captured these negroes whose master had fled to the enemy, and on their return took five prisoners from the guard house, at Bedford; all of whom they took to Poughkeepsie and delivered them up to the commanding officers; he was frequently ordered on guard to watch the cowboys by whom the county was greatly annoyed and he verily believes the amount of time spent in this last named service could not have been less than four or five months.

In 1778 he was one of ten who were formed into a class in said North Salem, which class furnished a soldier for and during the war, to whom they paid one hundred dollars. At the time he was wounded their company were in a house seven miles below the White Plains. It was in the night and they were sudenly [suddenly] attacked by the enemy in which action Lieutenant Paddock and two privates of the

Americans were killed, and four of the enemy the Americans were overcome and taken prisoners Amounting to twenty eight in number thee prisoners who were able to march were taken to New York and confined in the sugar house where they all perished except [three?] This deponent being wounded was left in said house.

This deponent further saith that he was in the battle at Chattertons hill on white plains [White Plains] in which three hundred and fifty were killed. This was in the term he was in the service under Captain Steinrod in 1776.

That he has no documentary evidence except that which is in the war department—and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his services.

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 except that of the agency of the state of New York. (Signed) Ichabod Williams

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. S. Love, Clk