

## **Pension Application for Samuel Williamson**

R.11637

Otsego Com Pleas

Of the Term of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two.

State of New York

County of Otsego SS

On this sixteenth day of October 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the court of Common Pleas now sitting Samuel Williamson a resident of the Town of Richfield and County of Otsego and State of New York aged sixty eight years in the month of April last 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein after stated—viz.

That he entered the then county of Albany in the State of New York in a company of militia commanded by Captain Lemuel Cary of that Town and was attached to a Regiment commanded by Colonel John Abbott.

That he served in said company until April or May 1782 doing duty as a private soldier, fro a service of about three years but at least two years & b six months.

That he was with said company at Castleton Vermont in October or November 1779 and lay there a few weeks and he thinks about three weeks.

That the british [British] Army at this time lay at Ticonderoga, and it was expedition that an attack would be made on Castleton by the British Army. That Colonel Stark and Colonel Warner with their Continental Troops lay at Castleton, Vermont at this time. He also recollects, Colonel Allen who was there.

That he marched who was there.

That he marched in November 1779 from Castleton to Hosick [Hoosick] with said company and volunteered there doing such duty retreat of the country [?] such as watching the movements of the british army and guarding the frontier settlements against the savages & refugees.

That he marched with said company in the fall of 1780, to Skeensborough in the State of New York a distance of about sixty miles from Hosick where he remained a short time and then returned with said company to Hosick.

That in the summer of 1781 he marched to Fort George and arrived there after the Battle at that place and assisted in buring [burying] the dead at that place.

That during the year 1781 he marched to Johnstown in the now County of Montgomery & State of New York.

That he also marched to Saratoga Springs in the now County of Saratoga, New York and also o Fort Edward, but at what particular times or in what months because not now recollect.

That he continued in said company doing duty until April or May 1782 when he was verbally discharged from the company.

That he continued in said company doing duty until April or May 1782 when he was verbally discharged from the company. That he might have been absent from the company a few months during the time aforesaid but how long at a time he cannot say but in the whole time not over six months.

That the names of the officers in said company to which he belonged are as follows Captain Leonard Gray, Lieutenant Jack Abbott, Ensign James Stephens at Fort George in 1781, that when he arrived the Fort had been burned and was I was making that the [?] of our army that was found there he assisted in bringing the [?] and again returned to his place of residence with said company.

That the Regiment called Warners Regiment was cut off at Fort George & was commanded he believes by William Lighthall during the Battle Colonel Warner having returned from the army just before the battle.

That when he was discharged which was at Hosick our arms were delivered to Captain Samuel Carry and he returned them to the Store House at Bennington Vermont.

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.

That he was born in the Town of Princetown in the County of Summerset and State of New Jersey on the 13<sup>th</sup> April 1764.

That there is a record of his age in his father's bible now or lately a resident of Onondaga County New York.

That he resided when called into service in the Town of Hosick, Rensselaer County (then County of Albany) and State of New York. That since the Revolutionary War he has resided in the Town of Richfield, Otsego County, New York and now resides there.

That he was called into service as set forth in the above declaration.

That the names of the officers who were with the troops where he served such Continental & Militia Regiments as he can recollect—and the general circumstances of his service are set forth in the above declaration as fully as he can now remember.

That he never received a written discharge from service.

That he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service most of the time that he served.

This deponent refers the court to the reverend Calvin Hawley and George Round to whom he is known in his present neighbourhood, and who can testify to his character for veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the Revolution.

(Signed) Samuel Williamson

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. Horace Lathrop, Clerk