

## **Pension Application for William Winans or Wynans**

R.11919

State of New York

Orange County SS

On this 25<sup>th</sup> day of August 1845 before the undersigned a Judge of the court of common pleas of the county aforesaid (it being a court of Record) personally appeared William Wynans a resident of Goshen in the county aforesaid aged eighty five years last may 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 stated.

That by reason of old age & the consequent loss of memory & the entire absence of documentary evidence in his possession he cannot recall positively to the times when or in all cases the length of time which he served but according to the best of his recollection he entered & served as follows.

In June 1776 he being then sixteen years of age he was enrolled in Captain Richard Bailey[']s compa'y in Col. John Hathornes Regiment of Militia Infantry & soon after was drafted & went under William Blain to guard the stores at Ramapo & was absent 2 weeks. That the same season he was again enrolled in service under the same captains for the same length of time.

That deponent & his father Isaac Wynans belonged to the same company & deponent done the duty of both in all cases except the call to Minisink where they both went.

In 1777 He done one tour of 2 weeks at Ramapo under Capt. Richard Bailey. That he was at Minisink under Lieutenant Wood two weeks. That the tour is more strongly impressed on his mind from the fact the his mother gave Lieut Wood a potential charge to see to him at Ramapo under Lieut Wood 2 weeks each time.

He was under Lieut John Kennedy twice once at Ramao & once at one [Foxes?] below Sufferns [Suffern] two weeks each. He was under Capt Andrew Miller with a pair of oxen belonging to Isaac Wynans at West Point at work at Fort Put three or four weeks. He went under Capt. Blain at Minisink one tour of 2 weeks, he served one tour of 2 weeks at the Foxes under Capt. Bailey.

He was once two weeks under Capt Westfall in Minisink at Major Deckers East of the Neversink. That he was 3 days under Capt Bailey at the time of the Indian Battle. That after the Battle of Minisink he performed more than one tour of service & was stationed at DeWitt's fort a stone house picketed in but cannot remember under what officers he performed other tours of service, but he cannot state the precise times or the names of the officers.

He was detached at one time with seven or 8 others to meet the American troops who were expected to intercept the British troops who were on their march to Phliadelphia that on the way he sprained his ancle [ankle] & was laid up two weeks at Col. Seward's in the town & house of Vernon & state of New Jersey. His father's horse

was pressed while applicant was with him to take General Green to NewBurgh applicant was absent on this duty two days. He believes that he was in the service at least one year during the war.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state or territory. (Signed) William Winans

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid. F. A. Hoyt, Judge of County Courts.