

Pension Application for Henry Windfield

S.785

Sussex Common Pleas

August Term 1832.

State of New Jersey.

Sussex County SS

On this twenty eighth day of August in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and thirty two personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for said court now sitting, Henry Windfield of the township of Hardiston [Hardyston] in said County of Sussex aged seventy four 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.

That he was drafted in the year 1776, about the first of July. That he enlisted for five months under Capt. James Jackson, Drake Col. That he entered and marched from Orange County New York to New Windsor from thence to the City of New York from thence to the City of New York, from thence to Long Island was under Washington at the retreat from Long Island marched to White Plains and was dismissed at Haverstraw in New York in the month of December after having served five months.

That he was called out and entered under Capt. Blain, thins in the year 1778. Sometime in the fall of the year, marched from Orange Col. Afors'd and was stationed at Fishkill on the East of Hudson River was out and done duty one month.

That he was called out again& entered under Capt Miller under the com'd of Maj. Totten in the year 1779 thinks in the fall was stationed at Gloucestor New York for three weeks. That he was called out under Capt. Minthorn and marched to Neversink, was encamped at [?] and [?] in the month of October thinks, don't recollect the year was out about three weeks.

Says he has no documentary evidence that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure to testify to his services, was born in Orange Co., New York don't know on what day has no record of his age. Was at the different times when entered in the service resident of Orange County New York. Has lived since the war of the Revolution in the County of Sussex New Jersey where he now resides.

That he never received any written discharge, says that he is acquainted with Henry Simpson and Benjamin Hamilton of his neighbourhood who can testify as to his character for veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the Revolution.

He hereby relinquishes very 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.

Sworn to and Subscribed in open court at Newton this 27th day of August 1832.
(Signed with his mark) Henry Windfield

Present Robt Hamilton. James Stott, Andrew Willson, Benj Halsey, Judges.

Letter in folder dated February 18, 1937, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your letter of February 5th requesting information in regard to Revolutionary War soldier, Henry Windfield, Winfield or Wingfield of New Jersey.

The data which follow were obtained from papers on file in the pension claim, S.785, based upon; the military service of Henry Windfield, the only soldier of that name (searched under all spellings) that is found in the Revolutionary War records of this office.

Henry Windfield was born in Orange County, New York. The date of his birth and the names of his parents were not given.

While a resident of Orange County, New York, he enlisted and served as private with the New York troops as follows: from about the first of July, 1776, five months in Captain James Jackson's company under Colonel Drake and was in the retreat from Long Island; in the fall of 1778, one month in Captain Blain's company; in 1779, three weeks under Captain Miller; in October (year not given) he served three weeks under Captain Minthorn.

He was allowed pension on his application executed August 27 or 28, 1832, at which time he was seventy-four years of age and was living in Hardiston Township, Sussex County, New Jersey, where he had lived since the Revolution.

There are no data on file relative to the family of Henry Windfield.