

## **Pension Application for David Wolfe**

S.14888

State of New York

City and County of New York SS

On this Twenty ninth day of June One thousand Eighth hundred and thirty three, personally appeared in open Court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas for the City and County of New York now sitting, David Wolfe a resident of said City and County aged 84 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he was born on the City of New York, on the twenty seventh day of August 1748, a record of which may be seen in the books of the Old Lutheran Church of said City; he was elected a Lieutenant of Militia early in the year 1775 (he does not remember the exact time) in the City of New York in the company then under command of Captain Carpenter, distinguished as beat No 13.

That he continued attached to said company, and was promoted to the Captaincy thereof in the year 1775 and received Commission dated the 9<sup>th</sup> day of January 1776 in the 2d Regiment of foot of which John Jay, was the Colonel John Broome Lieutenant Colonel, and Garret Abeel, Major his original Commission as Captain of said Company accompanies this declaration; he was engaged in actual service, in said Company in guarding the said city, building fortifications and breast works in various parts of it.

He was on duty at the battery when the Asia fired on the City. His militia service was pretty much all confined to the City of New York, he was on duty, in said City, at the time the American Troops retreated after the Battle of Long Island—he does not know that any person is now living, who served, with him in the Second Regiment.

His service in the Militia as Lieutenant and Captain continued upwards of one year, he never resigned his Captaincy, but left his command when invited by William Paulding Commissary of provisions to join his department and he arrived at Kingsbridge N.Y. on the 4<sup>th</sup> October 1776 and entered that department—where he remained as Assistant Commissary, until 10 January 1778 during that period he was with the army, and performed his duties at Kingsbridge, Peekskill and other places in that neighborhood, he was present at the destruction of the American Stores by order of General McDougall, on the approach of the British under Colonel Bird.

On the 4<sup>th</sup> of August 1779, he was appointed Assistant Quarter Master at Morristown, New Jersey, and remained on actual duty in that department, until the 2d or 4<sup>th</sup> of October 1780. Genl Greene was QuarterMaster General, and James Abeel, Deputy QuarterMaster General for that State of district; on the 7<sup>th</sup> of November 1780 he was appointed Assistant Deputy QuarterMaster for Claverack Landing, by the authority of Congress 15<sup>th</sup> July 1780, and remained in that department and attended to its arduous duties, until he entered Quarter Master General Pickering's department,

as auditor of Accounts, 17 October 1782, where he remained until it was dissolved by the Act of Congress 25<sup>th</sup> July 1785.

During the above periods Viz: from the time he entered the service of the United States, at Morristown, he was subject to the orders of the Quarter Master General and was on duty with the army at different periods, as the nature of the service, or his orders required, he entered the City of New York, on the 25<sup>th</sup> of November 1783, with a detachment of American Troops, on its evacuation by the British forces, and with but short intermissions was continually on actual service during the whole Revolutionary War with the American troops.

This applicant has in his possession numerous official documents, and communications received during this service as aforesaid, he has selected from a portion of them, such as would be satisfactory evidence of his service, they are marked as follows, and accompany this declaration, Viz:

- No. 1 Commission as captain 9 Jany 1776.
2. Certificate of Deputy Quarter Master General Abeel that David Wolfe served in his department from 4<sup>th</sup> of August 1779 to 2d of October 1780.
- 3 A letter of Instructions from Qr Master Genl Abeel
- 4 Do Do [Ditto]
- 5 Do Do [Ditto]
- 6 Certificate of appointment of David Wolfe as Assistant Quarter Master dated 7 November 1780, oath of office entered.
- 7 Letter form Col Hughes to David Wolfe
- 8 Do Do [Ditto]
- 9 Do Do [Ditto]
- 10 Do Do [Ditto]
- 11 Do Do [Ditto]
- 12 Do Do [Ditto]
- 13 (Certificate of Appointment in Qr Master Genl Pickering's department dated 17 Oct o 1782 oath of office enclosed.
- 14 Letter fro mCol. Pickering
- 15 Do Col Hughes
- 16 Do John Tyson
- 17 Do Col Hughes
- 18 Do Col. Reid
- 19 Do Col Pickering
- 20 Do Do [Ditto]
- 21 Do Do [Ditto]
- 22 Do Do [Ditto]
- 23 Do Do [Ditto]
- 24 Three Rolls of Company
- 25 Several Military Orders.

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. (Signed) David Wolfe

Sworn to and Subscribed the day and year aforesaid. Abm, Asten Clerk