

## **Pension Application for George Wood**

S.11872

State of New York

Orange County SS

On this third day of September 1832, personally appeared in open Court before Samuel S. Seward, John Hallashi, Nathaniel P. Hill, Gilbert O. Fowler, Horace W. Elliot Judes [Judges] of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the County of Orange, and State aforesaid now sitting (being a court of record) George Wood a resident of the Town of Minisink in the County and State aforesaid aged seventy nine 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 entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

That he was first called into the service of the United States at the Village of Florida in the county of Orange aforesaid soon after the commencement of the Revolutionary War he cannot tell the year, but thinks in 1775, it was in Col. John Hathorn's Regiment in Capt. Nathaniel Elmer's Company the Regiment were ordered out on [?] and to Fort Montgomery in said County [?] two weeks and then returned home and stayed a few days and then was again called to Fort Montgomery and from thence to Terry Town and stated about three weeks and then returned home and stayed about a week and was then called out and went to the English Neighborhood between Hackensack and Holboken in New Jersey under Capt. Richard Baily in Col. Hathorn's Regiment and stayed some weeks and then returned home and was drafted for six weeks under Capt Abraham Westfall and was sent to joining Capt Paulings Company of nine months men and marched to Marble Town in Ulster County and from thence to Fort Shandaken in the Woods north west of Ulster and while there the nine months mens time expired a little before our six weeks had expired and we were sent to Capt Westfall under whom we were drafted and when we got back to Capt Westfall our six weeks had expired and we were discharged and he says he was six different times and he thinks more—called out in the Militia to Minisink in Orange County to protect the frontier settlements of the State of New York against the Indians sometimes he served more than a month at other times less, again he was called out in the Militia in masse and were march[ed] to Ramapo and from thence to Esopus in Ulster Countyl and arrived at Esopus the day after it was burned by the British the British sketering was [?] down by River towards New York, he says all his different times of service for the U:nited States during the Revolutionary War was three years or more and that it was all in the militia—either drafted or called out en masse and that he always went when called out except one time he was lame, he says he hath always resided in Orange County State of New York and knows more of the men in Goshen Minisink and Calhoun and [?] many in other parts of the County.

He has no written evidence of his services and knows of no written evidence of his services and knows only five men service by where he can prove any part thereof (viz) Richard Clark, William Popino, Enoch Jackson, Davie Popino, and William Carr

all of the Town of Warwick in Orange County he was acquainted with a Capt Sanford of the regular army at Ramapo but cannot tell his Regiment thinks Col. Malcolm commanded, he says he was born in Florida aforesaid in Seventeen hundred and fifty three, he has a record of his age in his Bible which he took from his fathers Bible, 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) George Wood

Sworn the day and year first above written before me. Asa Dunning, Clerk

Letter in folder dated September 26, 1932, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your communication requesting information relative to George and Thomas V. Wood, soldiers of the Revolutionary War of Orange County, New York. Their histories are given below:

The data furnished herein are obtained from the papers on file in Revolutionary War claim for pension, S.11872, based upon the military service of George Wood in that war.

George Wood was born in 1756, exact date not shown, in Florida, New York.

He enlisted in Florida, Orange county, New York, in 1775, and served at various times on short tours on alarms, sometimes at the forts and sometimes on the frontiers, protecting the inhabitants from the Indians, until 1779, at least three years in all, as a private under Captains Nathaniel Elmer, John Sayre, Richard Bailey, John Minthorn, Abraham Westfall, David McCamly and Kortwright and Colonel Hathorn in the New York Troops.

He was allowed pension on his application executed September 3, 1832, while residing in Minisink, Orange County, New York.

There are no data as to his family.

Thomas V. Wood was born in 1753, exact date not shown, in Goshen, Orange County, New York.

While residing in Goshen, New York, he enlisted in July or August, 1776, and served five months as a private in Captain John Wood's (no relationship to soldier shown) Company, Colonel Nicoll's New York Regiment: he enlisted in March, 1778, and served in Captain Moses Hatfield's Company, Colonel Tuston's (Thurston) New York Regiment, length of service one year: he also served at various times on short tours on the frontiers of Orange and Ulster counties, at least eight months in all, as a private under Captains David Sweazy, George Thompson and John Wood and Colonel Tuston in the New York Troops; no dates are given for these last tours.

After the Revolution, he resided in Goshen and Minisink, New York.

He was allowed pension on his application executed December 3, 1832, while residing in Minisink, New York.

It is not stated that soldier was ever married.

One Timothy Wood was residing in Minisink, New York, in 1832, and made affidavit in behalf of soldier's claim for pension; no relationship to soldier was shown.