

Pension Application for Peter Wormwood (Wormuth)

State of New York
Montgomery County SS
W.22680

Peter Wormwood of the Town of Johnstown, county and state aforesaid being duly sworn says that he served in the Revolutionary War as a private soldier in Captain Moody's (1) Company Colonel Lambs Regiment of New York, Artillery that he enlisted in said company of the artillery about the month of March in the year 1782 as a three years man and that he served faithfully to the end of said term of three years, when he was honorably discharged at Fort Plain in the State of New York which discharge is lost and this deponent further says that by reason of his reduced circumstances he needs the assistance of his country for support and that he receives no pension at present from the United States.

Sworn and subscribed before me this 9th day of April in the year 1818.

(Signed with his mark) Peter Wormwood

James Hildreth, one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas for Montgomery County and State of New York

State of New York, Montgomery County SS.

Mathias Wormwood being duly sworn says that Peter Wormwood, a soldier of the revolution, his brother, that he well remembers that Peter his brother enlisted in the Continental Army (in the revolutionary war), at Palatine near the Mohawk River, sometime after Cornwallace was taken as he believes, that his brother Peter went away to serve the army at West Point as he understood and believes that some considerable time after the said Peter Wormwood came from below as a soldier, bringing with him cloathing and money for the soldiers at Fort Plain Block House.

(Signed with his mark) Mathias Wormwood

Sworn & Subscribed before me this 9th day of April in the year 1818 James Hildreth one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas for Montgomery County and State of New York.

I, Peter Wormwood the aforesaid named applicant do in addition to my former declaration say that I was in the engagement against the British forces on about the 22nd day of October 1781 (2) at Johnstown in the County and State aforesaid the American forces were commanded by Colonel Marinus Willet and the British forces were commanded by officers whose names the deponent cannot now state, that in said engagement this deponent received a severe wound in the side & when opened to cleanse & cure it exposed to view two of the Naked ribs partly the flesh torn off.

(Signed with his mark) Peter Wormwood

Subscribed & sworn to this 16th day of Sept 1818 before me, Judge Aaron Haring of Montgomery Common Pleas N. York State

I, Aaron Haring the Judge last aforesaid do certify that it appears any further action that the said Peter Wormwood did serve in the revolutionary war as stated in the preceding declarations, against the common enemy and that I was also satisfied as well from the foregoing proofs as of my own personal knowledge of the said Peter pecuniary abilities to for many years now last part that he is in very reduced pecuniary circumstances and unquestionably stands in need of the assistance of his country for his support that witness produced & sworn before me are credible witnesses that James Hildreth Esquire the Judge aforesaid has been removed from office for nearly three months. ; And I now transmit as [?] the

proceedings & testimony taken before the said James Hildreth as myself to the secretary for the Department of War pursuant to the Act of Congress aforesaid given under my hand this 16th day of September 1818. Aaron Haring

State of New York,
Northern district, Montgomery County, SS

Be it remembered that on the 13th day of June in the term of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty three personally appeared in open court in the Court of Common Pleas at the Court House in Johnstown in the County aforesaid (the said court being a court of record for the county aforesaid having the power of fine and imprisonment proceeding according to the course of the common law with a jurisdiction unlimited in Point of Amount keeping a record of their proceedings Peter Wormwood aged sixty five years resident in the Town of Johnstown in the County aforesaid who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows to wit in Captain Moody's Company, Colonel Lamb's Regiment, New York line that the date of his pension certificate is the first day of May 1819 and is numbered 10090 and I do solemnly swear that I was resident citizen of the named state on the eighteenth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen and that I have not since that time by Gift, sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with which so to diminish it as bring myself within the provisions of an Act entitled "and act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war passed on the eighteenth of March 1818 that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is considered in the considered in the schedule here unto annexed and by me subscribed to wit, real estate none in possession remainder or reversion personal estate as follows to wit one spinning wheel valued at [sic] one saw one kettle, one corn pan, one tea kettle one pan \$1— three pails one chest one chain \$2 two wedges \$0.75 two pigs, knives & forks, one stove pot, cent, [sic] four sheep, one chain, one ax, three chains, one loom, one cupboard and I do hereby further declare that the property both real & personal contained contained [sic] in the former schedule by me made & subscribed has since that time been sold by virtue of an execution as is specified in the annexed exemplification & certificate hereunto annexed & that all the equivalent I received therefore is to the amount of said sale indorsed on said execution that my family consists of myself and my wife Mary aged about sixty seven years infirm in health that I am very infirm and wholly unable to support myself & family without the aid of Government. (Signed with his mark) Peter Wormwood

Sworn to in open court this 13th day of June 1823 Henry F. Yates Clerk

Letter in folder written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your letter in which you request the Revolutionary War records of Peter and William Wormouth or Warmoot of Stone Arabia, New York.

Revolutionary War data furnished by this office are obtained from claims for pension and bounty land, which have been made to the United States, based upon service in that war. A search of the records fails to show such claims on file on account of the Revolutionary War service of William Warmouth, under any spelling of that surname.

The records of Peter Wormwood (Wormuth) which follows was obtained from pension claim W. 22680, based upon his service in the Revolutionary War.

The date and place of birth of this soldier are not given, nor are the names of his parents stated.

Peter Wormwood (Wormuth) enlisted in Stone Arabia (later Palatine) on the Mohawk River, New York, March 5, 1782, served as a private and matross in Captain Moodlie's company, Colonel John Lamb's Regiment of Artillery, until "Peace of 1783". He also served in the militia at various times in Colonels Klock's (3) and Marinus Willett's New York regiments, was in the Battle of Johnstown, there severely wounded in the side.

He was allowed pension on his application executed April 9, 1818, at which time he was living in Johnstown, Montgomery County, New York, and gave his age fifty-seven years, in 1820 he stated that he was sixty-two or sixty-three years of age.

The soldier, Peter Wormwood (Wormuth) married April 19, 1786 in Caughnawaga, New York, Sarah Putman. The date and place of her birth not given, nor names of her parents stated.

The soldier died July 23, 1836. His widow, Sarah, was allowed pension on her application executed January 17, 1843, at which time she was living in Glen, Montgomery County, New York, Aged about eighty-six years. The widow was at one time referred to as Mary, no explanation given as to the use of both names.

Reference was made in 1820 to their daughter, Eva aged seventeen years. There is no further reference to children.

The soldier's brother, Matthias Wormwood, was of Montgomery County, New York in 1818.

John Putman was residing in 1843 in Glen, New York; he stated that he was well acquainted with the widow, but did not give any relationship.

End Notes—W.22680—Peter Wormwood

1. Peter enlisted as a Matross (private) on March 1, 1783, in Captain Andrew Moody's Second Company in Colonel John Lamb's Second Continental Regiment of Artillery. On the May-June 1783 muster roll Peter is listed as "on command King's Ferry" and his term of service is listed as to March 1, 1786. The muster rolls end in December of 1783 for this regiment. FROM: Revolutionary War Rolls 1775-1783, series M-246, Roll 119, folder 45, National Archives, Washington, D.C. If Peter served beyond January 1, 1784, he would have served in the United States Artillery.
2. The Battle of Johnstown was fought on October 25, 1781.
3. Peter served as a private in Captain John Breadbake's Fifth Company in Colonel Jacob Klock's Second Regiment of Tryon County Militia. When Captain Breadbake served in the ranger service in 1778 and in Colonel Lewis DuBois Regiment of Levies in 1780, First Lieutenant John Zeely served as captain of this company. In 1781, Peter served under Captain Bradbake at the Battle of Johnstown.