

Pension Application for Jacob Wright

S.14903

State of New York

County of Rensselaer SS

On the ninth day of August 1834 personally appeared in open Court before Daniel Gardner Recorder of the City of Troy in said County of Rensselaer in the Mayors Court³ of said City now sitting Jacob Wright a resident of Stephentown in said County of Rensselaer aged Seventy three 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, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served hams herein stated.

On or about the first of March 1777 he entered as a volunteer under Sergeant Rodwick Beebe who enlisted a company of Soldiers as he understood by a Brevet or warrant for that purpose who took command of them as Captain and marched from a place then called Kings district (now New Lebanon) to Albany and was put under command of General Schuyler and served at various places on the river north of Albany and was at Saratoga near Bemus Heights when Burgoyne's army came there was there at the taking or surrender of Burgoyne and was dismissed about the first of December following serving the whole term of enlistment viz nine months.

He went into the service as a substitute for Joel Stevens of Pittsfield and was transferred from one place to another to fill vacancies for six months till the completion of soldiers could be enlisted for three years the several companies & officers being strangers and from the length of time & infirmity of recollection cannot name them but served six months & was dismissed and returned home. This was in the year 1780. In this campaign went to New Jersey and was under General Washington and was dismissed at Fishkill.

He enlisted again under Lieutenant Josiah Skinner and went to Schoharry and kept garrison there four months and was dismissed in al served one year & seven months.

He further declares that he has no documentary evidence of his service and knows of no person he can procure who can testify to his service except Rhodonik Beebe who testifies to the first tour of nine months whose affidavit is hereunto annexed.

That he removed from New Lebanon to Schenectady where he ever resides.

He also declares that he was born in a place then called Nine Partners in Dutchess County has no record of his age but by tradition was born in 1759.

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 with his mark) Jacob Wright

Sworn to and Subscribed the day and year aforesaid. Archibald Bull, Clerk.

Letter in folder dated December 15, 1939, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your letter in which you request the Revolutionary War record of Jacob Wright of the State of New York.

The data which follow were obtained from papers on file in claim for pension, S.14903, based upon service of Jacob Wright in the War of the Revolution.

Jacob Wright was born in the year 1759, in Nine Partners, Dutchess County, New York. The names of his parents are not shown.

Jacob Wright volunteered in New Lebanon Columbia County, New York, March 1, 1777, served nine months as private under Sergeant Roderick Beebe who commanded the company, was at the surrender of Burgoyne. He served six months in 1780, officers' names not stated. He served four months under Lieutenant Josiah Skinner, and did garrison duty in Schoharie, Dates of this service not given.

He moved from New Lebanon, New York, to Stephentown, Rensselaer County, New York. He was allowed pension on his application executed August 9, 1832, then living in said Stephentown.

The papers on file in this claim contain no discernable data in regard to the family of the soldier, Jacob Wright.