

### **Pension Application for Alexander Young**

S.45,480

Continental (NY)

To the Honorable James Emott, First Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, of the County of Dutchess which is a Court of Record of the State of New York.

The Declaration under oath of Alexander Young, formerly a soldier engaged in the Service of the United States, during the Revolutionary War, and now a Citizen of the United States, and resident of the town of Clinton in Dutchess County and State of New York, Respectfully Showeth, that the said Alexander Young, on or about the month of April in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy seven enlisted in a company of Artillery in the American service commanded by Captain Andrew Moody (1) in a regiment commanded by Colonel Lamb for the term of three years—that he served as a private soldier in the said company of Artillery under the said enlistment the full term of his said enlistment and until he was discharged at West Point on or about the month of April in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty—that his discharge is lost but when or where he does not recollect.

And this Declaration further representeth that the said Alexander Young is now a Citizen of the United States, and residing in Clinton aforesaid, and by reason of his reduced circumstances in life, in need of assistance from his country for support, and that he has never received any pension from the government of the United States.

Therefore he conceives himself entitled to the benefit of the Act of the Congress of the United States, entitled, "An Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land and Naval Service of the United States, in the Revolutionary War," approved, March 18, 1818, and requests that your Honor will examine into the truths of the matters aforesaid, certify and transmit the testimony in this case, and the proceedings had thereon to the Honorable the Secretary of the Department of War, to the end that such relief may be had in the premises, as is by law in such case provided. And in support of the facts above set forth, he refers to the affidavit of himself and of James Baremore hereafter set forth.

Dated, the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April 1818. (Signed with his mark) Alexander Young.

County of Dutchess vs. Alexander Young being duly sworn says, that the matters by him set forth in the foregoing Declaration, as in all respects just and true. Sworn the 29<sup>th</sup> day of April 1818 before me, James Emott.

I Alexander Young of the town of Genoa in the County of Cayuga and State of New York, formerly of the County of Dutchess in the State aforesaid, do hereby solemnly swear, that on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818, I was in the possession of and owned the following named property in the town of Clinton in the aforesaid county of Dutchess, viz.

Two acres of land on which a dwelling house and a together with the necessary apparatus for the same, 10 kitchen chairs, 2 cherry tables & 2 spinning wheels, 2 feather beds and bedding for the same, 6 bowls, 1 church, 1 wash tub & 2 pitch forks, 1 Rake, 1 brass kettle, 1 pot, 1 dish kettle & tea kettle, 1 frying pan, 1 spider, 1 shovel & 1 pr. Tongs, 1 pair [?] and [?] 6 knives, & 6 forks, 2 chests, & 2 cows, 5 meat bags, & 10 fowls, 1 swine, one looking looking glass & one Corn hoe.

My wife has been afflicted with ulcers and in a debilitated state of health for the term of eighteen years, during the principal part of which time she has been under the Physician's care at a very heavy expense: during which affliction I was under the necessity of selling a part of the above named property viz, the 10 fowls and sow & four of the meat bags, to assist in defraying the said expenses.

Being deeply involved in debt, and unable to give my Creditors satisfaction, my remaining property (except what is enumerated in my schedule) was sold by virtue of execution at Sheriff's sale which did but in part satisfy my debts, the following is now due.

The reason I did not exhibit a schedule of my property to the war office prior to the [18<sup>th</sup>?] of March 1823, was That while in possession of my property as before named I did not suppose myself entitled according to the law of the United States and its construction by the Attorney General: But when stripped of my remaining substance, I became destitute of a home & was compelled to seek another place of residence and being destitute of a Dollar to help myself with, I was compelled to defer my application for a continuation of my pension which I was as fortunate as to find a friend who was willing to aid me in my [?] to make the attempt. (Signed with his mark) Alexander Young

In presence of Henry Hillerd [or Miller], Jno. W. Hulbert.

Sworn to by Alex. Young this 21<sup>st</sup> day of Sept. 1824 in open court. Geo. B. Throop, Clerk  
Letter in reply to a request for information; dated June 7, 1829.

I advise you from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim, S.45480, it appears that Alexander Young enlisted in the State of New York, in April, 1777, and was a private in Captain Andrew Moodie's Company, Colonel John Lamb's Regiment of Artillery, was taken prisoner in October (2) following, held one year and then returned to his company at White Plains, and served until April, 1780.

He was allowed pension on his application executed April 23, 1818, at which time he was living in Clinton, Dutchess County, New York.

In 1824, he was living in Genoa, Cayuga County, New York, and stated that he was sixty-seven years of age and referred to his wife, her name and age not given.

There are no further family data.

The above noted Alexander Young is the only soldier of that name found on the Revolutionary War records of this bureau, who served with the New York Troops or was pensioned while residing in that state.

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1. Alexander enlisted as a matross (private) on April 22, 1777 for 3 years in Captain Andrew Moody's Company in Colonel John Lamb's Second Continental Artillery Regiment.
2. Alexander was taken prisoner on October 6, 1777 at Fort Montgomery, N.Y. On the Muster Roll he is listed as returned from captivity on August 18, 1778. On December 24, 1778 he is listed on furlough by Major Boman (Major Sebastian Bauman) 36 days. He was discharged on April 23, 1780. FROM: Revolutionary War Rolls 1775-1783, Series M-246, Roll 119, folder 45, National Archives, Washington, D.C.