

Pension Application for Nathaniel W. Brundage

R.1370 (Widow: Rebecca)

State of New York

Orange County SS.

On this sixteenth day of September in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty nine before the undersigned a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas in & for said County personally appeared Rebecca Brundage & made the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed July 7th 1838, granting half pay & pensions to certain widows.

That she is the widow of Nathaniel W. Brundage late of the town of Newburgh County of Orange & State aforesaid, that she was aged sixty eight years in the month of August last past. That he said husband was a private in the Army of the Revolution and served therein as she has been informed & believes to be true but that she is unable to give any detailed statement of his services or the officers under whom he served but she well recollects to have heard her husband in his life time state that he was in the service at the battle at White Plains in Westchester County in the year 1776. She has also heard him state that he had served under Captain Higby & also under Ensign Tooker, but the length of services she is unable to set forth, and also that her said husband as she has been informed & believes served eight or nine months under Capt. Harker on the New Jersey Lines, but in what year she cannot state. That her said husband often in his life time informed her that he had served three or four years in the service of the United States during said [blot].

That her said husband resided in the County of Westchester in the State aforesaid at the time of his service.

That she was married to her said husband the said Nathaniel W. Brundage by the Rev. Mr. Brander a minister then residing in Orange County aforesaid on the fourteenth day of February in the year 1792. That her name before marriage was Rebecca Smith and that her said husband died at Newburgh aforesaid on the thirteenth day of August in the year 1827, and that she has remained a widow ever since his death. That she has no documentary evidence of the services of her said husband. That she was not married to him previous to his leaving the service but before the first day of January in the year 1796 to wit at the time above stated & that from infinity she is unable to attend court. (Signed) Rebecca Brundage

Subscribed & sworn to this 16th day of September 1839 before me. Jas. G. Clinton a Judge of Orange County Common Pleas.

Letter dated February 5, 1929, written in response to an inquiry.

I advise you that it is alleged in the Revolutionary War pension claim, R.1370, that Nathaniel W. Brundage while residing in Westchester County, New York in 1776 was a Private in the Army of the Revolution, names of officers not remembered other than Captain Higby and Ensign Tooker, and was in the battle of White Plains, and that he was also under Captain Barker in the New Jersey Levies eight or nine months.

He married February 14, 1792 Rebecca Smith who was born in August 1771. He died August 30, 1827 at Newburgh, New York and she applied for pension September 16, 1839 while a resident of Orange County, New York but the claim was not allowed as she failed to furnish sufficient proof of the soldier's service.

The above noted Nathaniel W. Brundage (all spellings of the name searched) is the only soldier of that name found on the Revolutionary War records of this bureau.