

Pension Application for George Conselyea

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State of New York

City and County of New York SS.

On this twenty eighth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two personally appeared in open court before John T. Irving Esquire First Judge of the Court of common Pleas for the city and county of New York, in the State of New York—George Conselyea of said City and State aged about 83 years who being first duly sworn according to law before the said court now sitting, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he was born at Newtown, Long Island; State of New York about the year 1749, that his birth is recorded in the family bible at Bushwick Long Island. That he was living in the City of New York, when called into service, and since the Revolutionary War, he has resided in the same place, and now resides there. That he was drafted in the service for nine months, in the company, commanded by Captain VanZant, ____ Stimeson was first Lieutenant, and Daniel Cole, was Ensign, the first engagement he was in, was the battle of Flatbush, the Americans were under the command of General Sullivan & his brigade under the command of General Scott. The British under General Sir William Howe, landed at the narrows, at night the fight took place at sunrise.

Lord Stirling was taken prisoner at that time, that he was also at the engagement at White Plains, when his Ensign (Cole) was killed—he was with the army at the surrender of Fort Washington, and also at the time of the evacuation of Fort Lee. He continued to serve, in the Army until his period of service had expired—and then resided in Haverstraw, Rockland County, State of New York until the evacuation of New York, by the British, when he removed to this City, where he has continued to reside ever since,.

That in consequence of the prevailing epidemic, he is unable to procure any individuals, who are personally acquainted with his services during the revolution, but that the Rev'd Elishu W. Baldwin, Alderman James Palmer, and Doctor Henry G. Dunkel can testify as to his character, and their belief as to those services.

That all the documents and papers which he has had in relation to his services, are on file in the War department, at Washington, as appears by a letter rec'd by George Wilson, Esq., of this City from J. L. Edwards of said department, dated about June 1822, at or about which time, deponent applied for a pension, which was not granted, in consequence of his not having served in the regular army.

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) George Conselyea

Sworn to and subscribed in open court the day and year aforesaid. Abm. Asten, Clerk