

### **Pension Application for Isaac Devoe**

W.28975 (Widow: Getty) This woman was also pensioned as the former widow of her first husband, John D.Schronton or Schonton, New York Militia, War of 1812, Wid. File 10727. See b.L.Wt.48149-80-50 and Warrant 49300-80-50 for War of 1812 services of first husband J.D. S. She married John D. Schouten June 9, 1810, who died February 9, 1813 at Sackets Harbour, Jefferson County from the measles which he contracted while in service. Isaac Devoe died at Halfmoon on March 30, 1840. Children by John D .Schouten: Daniel Schouten and Mariah Schouten now the wife of E.J. VanWout. She married Isaac Devoe in September 10, 1826.

[This pension rambles a lot and is disconnected. I transcribed it as it was written. ajberry]

State of New York

Saratoga County

On this fifth day of September 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Court of common Pleas now sitting Isaac Devoe of the town of Half Moon in the County of Saratoga and State of New York aged sixty nine 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<sup>th</sup> 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

That in the year 1778 in the month of October as near as this deponent can now recollect he this deponent entered the service of the United States as a militia man in a company of Militia belonging to the militia of the State of New York. That he this deponent was drafted for Samuel Devoe who was a substitute in said company for the term of three months that he this deponent entered as a substitute as above stated for Samuel Devoe as above named and served as such during their stay that the company to which they belonged was commanded by Captain Nanning Fischer, the Lieutenant this deponent does not recollect the second was Raymond that on said expedition Ezekiel Taylor commanded as Major, Joseph Cook was Adjutant but the names of the other officers the deponent does not recollect and this deponent states that he this deponent marched together with the rest of the company to Stone Arabia in the County of then Tryon now Montgomery when the[y] staid a short time and from there the[y] were ordered to Johnstown in the same county where they remained until the snow fell when they was discharged thinks that the time they were on this expedition was four weeks and over and that in the year following in 1779 as near as this deponent can recollect thinks about the month of does not recollect the time precisely he cannot recollect he this deponent was ordered out by general order together with the remainder of the militia that was in this action to march to General Schuylers at Saratoga when they were encamped about one month at which place he does not recollect who—had the command after a stay of about one month in camp as above stated there was orders to Colonel McKenster to march with a detachment to a place then called Onion River north on the northern frontier that this detachment consisted of about 300 standing forces and nearly 200 militia that he this deponent

went on said expedition under the above mentioned Colonel McKenster of the Sate Troops, Major Ezekiel Taylor, Adjutant Joseph Cook the Captain of the company its which he this deponent served under was John VanDenBurgh of which Samuel Tenbroack was Lieutenant and this deponent thinks from the camp the object of this expedition was to secure and drive away the horses and cattle then on that northern frontier to within the reach of our army where they could be protected as the enemy were constantly taking them for their support—the amount of stock we brought with us at that time was said to be about we were all dismissed that our company together with some more and I this deponent returned home which expedition I as gone about seven weeks two days stay at home I was again ordered to march with the rest of my company under Captain Vandenburgh as above named to Saratoga at General Schuyler's where we remained for two to three weeks from then we was ordered to march to Ballston to defend the inhabitants against an expected attack from the Indians and tories we took up our line of march at night through a forest by files and under the command of Major Ezekiel Taylor that during our march that night which was very dark we was met by seven different expresses cautioning us to make all possible haste as an attack was expected momentarily [momentarily?] that we arrived at the place which is now called Dunning Street when we encamped and was there about three weeks and was then discharged or dismissed that on this expedition I was absent from home in the service five weeks and also that of my first service at Stone Arabia & Johnstown in 1778 I served as a Drummer and at other times the amount of time I cannot recollect.

And this deponent further states that he was called to General Schuyler's in the same company of Captain VanDenBurghs in which company he served during the Revolutionary War except the first expedition as above stated at different times also called to Fort Edward several times a distance of about 40 miles that he also was called with said company to guard certain posts along the Mohawk river from the Cohoose [sic] Falls to Schenectady which was considered important to prevent depredations being committed by Joseph Bettis a Tory who together with others used to plunder & steal who was taken in this county as a spy and executed at Albany and this deponent further states that he was drafted to go to Palmerton the time for which he thinks was three months in the year [blank] but is not certain as to the time that he this deponent joined his company marched to general Schuyler Saratoga where in consequence of illness he this deponent was discharged by General Schuyler and returned home that after a stay at home of three or four days he this deponent was called on to go to General Schuyler's at Saratoga as a guard, went and was dismissed but how long I served cannot recollect that this last mentioned draft to got to Palmertown on which expedition he started to go and was taken ill and dismissed as afore stated is the only one during the war from the time he entered in October 1778 until the close of the same that he was not out with his company and also on all alarms with my company and I this deponent further state that at one season of the year the year this deponent does not recollect by [any] engagement of the company to which I belonged as above named.

It was my lot to Patrol every sixth night during the season which I did unless absent [sic] from home on alarm and otherwise and I this deponent continued to patrol at night in every year during the war after I entered until the close together with others of my company that I this deponent was born the the [sic] town of Half Moon County of Saratoga and State of New York on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of April 1763 that I have a record of the same that I lived in said town County and State as mentioned at the commencement of the war and that I still live in the same and that I have never lived in any place that during the revolutionary war I served as above stated in actual service of the United States six months and more as a soldier in the army of the Revolution.

To the Interrogatories which the court propound I answer as follows.

1<sup>st</sup> I was born in the town of Half Moon in the County of Saratoga and State of New York on the twenty fourth day of April 1763.

2<sup>nd</sup> The knowledge I answered of my age was from a record kept in a book now in the possession of my sister at Waterford which book was the property of my mother where the ages of my father's family are recorded.

4<sup>th</sup> I entered the service of the United States at the first period as a substitute and during the war was drafted and served by general orders as more fully set forth in the foregoing statement.

5<sup>th</sup> To this I give the names Ezekiel Taylor, Joseph cook, Raymond Taylor, Nanning Fischer, Hugh Peebles, col. McKenstin, John VanDenburgh, Colonel Jacobus Van Schoonhoven.

6<sup>th</sup> I never received a written discharge was dismissed in all cases.

7<sup>th</sup> I give the names of John B. Taylor and Isaac Vale as persons to whom I am personally acquainted in my present neighborhood who can attest to my truth and veracity and their belief as to my revolutionary services.

3<sup>rd</sup> that I lived in the town of Half Moon in the County of Saratoga and State of New York at the time I entered the service of the United States, that I lived in said County & State during the Revolutionary War and I now live in the same place.

And that I have no proof of my services as a Revolutionary soldier except those wose [whose] depositions are hereunto attached and know of none by whome I can prove the same more fully.

He hereby relinquishes his 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) Isaac Devoe

Sworn to and Subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open court. Thomas Palmer Clerk