

Pension Application for John C. Dewitt

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Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed the 7th June 1832.

State of New York

Greene County SS.

On the sixteenth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two, personally appeared before Munson Buel one of the Judges of the County of Greene of the County Courts of said County of Greene, John C. DeWitt, a resident of the town of Windham in the County of Greene, aged seventy seven 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 the 7th June 1832.

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

That he was born in the town of Hurley in the County of Ulster, and State of New York in the year 1755.

That he has a record of his age in his father's family Bible.

That he lived in the said town of Hurley when called into service, that he lived there and in the town of Windham in the County of Greene and at Stamford in the County of Delaware since the Revolutionary War, and that he now lives in the town of Windham aforesaid.

That in December in the year 1776 he volunteered in the Militia Service of the State of New York in the revolutionary war, as a Lieutenant in Captain Frederick Schoonmaker's Company in Col. Hoornbeck's Regiment, under the command of General George Clinton, said company rendezvoused at Kingston Ulster County and marched from there through the Counties of Orange, and Rockland, to the State of New Jersey, and was stationed at a place called Kakeat, near the Hackensack River, and continued in said Service until sometime in the month of March following(1777) and was then there discharged, after a service of about three months, said company was in Lieutenant Colonel Hoornbeck's Regiment (received no written discharge)

And this applicant further declares that immediately after his return from New Jersey (in March 1777) he again volunteered as Lieutenant as aforesaid, and received a warrant to enlist more and was stationed at Kingston Ulster County to guard the Tory Prisoners and continued in said service until the British came to and burned Kingston, when he and the said company (? being Lieutenant Commandant) to Marletown in the said County of Ulster, and was then there discharged, making a service of about seven months, (received no written discharge.)

And this applicant further declares that soon after the above service in the fall 1777 he again volunteered as Lieutenant Commandant and was stationed at the eTown of Kingston Ulster County, as a frontier Guard, and continued ins aid service one month and was then there discharged, (Received no written discharge) & that they generally kept a guard at the house of one TenEyck in Hurley.

And finally that he had a commission signed by Pierre VanCortlandt as he now thinks which commission is lost or mislaid as he cannot now find the same.

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 any agency in any state. (Signed) Jno C. Dewitt

State of New York, sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid before me. Munson Buel, Judge as aforesaid.