

**Pension Application for Conrad Frans or Counradt Frantz**

S.44,862

W.17927 (Widow: Salome)

State of New York

Otsego County SS.

Be it remembered, that on the fourteenth day of April 1818 the above named Conradt Frans came before me, James S. Campbell one of the Judges of the Court of Pommon Pleas of the County of Otsego and State of New York, and made oath that the facts stated in the foregoing Petition and Declaration are true:--And I the said Judge, pursuant to the directions of the Act of Congress, entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States, during the Revolutionary War," do certify to the Secretary of War, that it has appeared to my satisfaction that the said Conradt Frans served in the Revolutionary War against the common enemy, for the term mentioned in the said Petition and Declaration hereunto annexed:--And in pursuance of the directions of said Act, I do hereby certify to the Hon. The Secretary of War, that the testimony of [blank] as detailed in his affidavit hereunto annexed, was taken before me, and that I am satisfied that the application of the said Conradt Frans is fair and bona fide in all respects, and that he, by reason of his reduced circumstances, is absolutely in need of assistance from his country for support. James S. Campbell, (Judge of said Court)

Herkimer county SS.

On the 7<sup>th</sup> day of September 1825 appeared in person in open court being a Court of Common pleas and the Court of Record for the county of Herkimer State of New York Conradt Frantz resident in said County aged Seventy three years ten months and twenty six days or there about, who being first sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision by the Acts of Congress of the 18<sup>th</sup> of March 1818 and the first of May 1820, that the said Conradt Frantz enlisted in the year 1775 for the term of one year and served said term in the company commanded by Captain Andrew Fink (1) in a Regiment commanded by Captain Andrew Fink (2) in a Regiment commanded by Lt. Col. Peter Ganseford (3) and which in that service was a Skirmish or Battle at Montreal and also at Quebeck at the time when General Montgomery (4) fell, and the said Conradt Frantz further declares and says that in the year 1776 he inlisted for and during the war in a company commanded by Capt. Aron Austin (5) in the 3d New York Regiment and served during said service he was in the year 1777 for 22 days in battle when Fort Stanwix (6) was besieged by St. Ledger he being in the Fort in the company of the said Capt. Aron Austin under Command of Colo. Willet (7) and Ganseford and also that he was at a Battle at Amboy (8) where he was Wounded in his Right Arm and also was at the taking of a British Fort on Staten Island and also that he was with General Sullivan (9) through the Indian Campaign in the year 1778 or 1779 and also that he was with Capt. Blaker 1778 (10) in the Winter on a Secret expedition to Niagara in order to Burn the British Shipping in Lake Ontario. The shipping lying too far in the lake and no ice to enable them to get to the shipping the project failed this tour was performed in the heart of the Winter on Snow Shoes and also that he was in the Battle at York Town (11) in the taking of Lord Corn Wallace and the said Conradt Frantz further declares that he was in a number of other skirmishes. And the said Conradt Frantz further declares and says that his name has been placed on the pension list and dropped there from on account of his property.

And in pursuance of the Act of the 1<sup>st</sup> May 1820 I Conradt Frantz do Solemnly swear that I was a Resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift or sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of the Act of Congress entitled an act to provide for certain persons ingage in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary was passed the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or security contracts of debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereunto annexed and by me subscribed to wit.

A lot of Land situated in the Town of Danube Herkimer county NY estimated at 80 acres, on the premises is a small old house 18 feet square an old log barn covered or thatched with Straw the whole occupied by said Conradt Frantz---Land Value

1 Horse- - - 35.00

2 Cows - - -20.00

1 Calf - - - 00.75

1 Old waggon not fit for use. - - - 5.00

1 old Sleigh not fit for use - - -3.00

2 Iron two pail kittles - - -1.50

1 Iron one pail Do. - - -01

1 Iron half pail Do.- - - 0.75

2 Earthen tea cups & 3 saucers - - - 09

5 Earthen Plates - - - 00.18

1 white earthen bowl - - - 00.06

2 old Bouks or Beadsteads. - - - 00.75

4 old chairs- - - 00.75

1 old Table - - - 0.75

1 old Chest - - - 0.50

5 sheep - - -107- - -6.25

3 old tin pails - - - 0.37½

1 old tin lantern- - - 0.25

2 Old Milk pales- - - 0.25  
 1 Churn old - - - -0.75  
 1 old tin candle stick - - - 0.06  
 1 Iron Frying Pan- - - 0.75  
 1 Iron Tea Kettle - - -0.75  
 1 Petwer [sic] Tea pot - - - 0.50  
 1 Iron trammel - - - 0.50  
 1 old Candle Mould 0.12½  
 2 hogs- - - 3.00  
 4 knives & 4 forks very old - - - 0.18  
 4 old table spoons - - -0.12½  
 1 old axe- - - 0.87½  
 Land- - - - - \$400.00

Total \$485.12½ and the said Conradt Frants has no other property income nor debts due to him other than above stated except one old Mare given to his Grandson Conradt Mower on condition the said Conradt Mower will stay and reside with him, but in case he leave him then the said Conrad Mower is to pay for the said Mare no price agreed upon between them. The Mare is about 12 years old, and the said Conradt Frantz further says that there are no changes in his property since his first schedule except that there is an acquisition of 37 acres of land which he had on a former occation [occasion] by contract conveyed to his son in law, Abraham Mower with condition that the said Abraham Mower should support [support] and maintain the said Conradt Frantz and his family but the Abraham Mower became subject to [anibration] and neglicince [negligence] and did not support the said Conradt whereupon the said Conradt took back said land except 5 acres which he deeded to the said Abraham Mowers wife in fee in order to get the residence back and for said 5 acres he has not received any other consideration than the balance of the 37 acres back to him as aforesaid and further declares and says that there is no change in his personal property since his first schedule except the sale of one old Mare to Daniel Ferguson for thirty six bushels of wey for Bread stuff for the support of himself and family and the killing of some cattle and sheep for the same purpose and raising some others in Leins. (Signed) Counradt Frants

And the said Conradt Frants further declares & says that his family consists of himself & his wife who is sixty six years of age also two of his grand children of his deceased son, the one named Christian Frants aged about thirteen years the other is named Salley aged about eleven years, the said Conradt Frants further says and declares that he is also much troubled and often called on for assistance by the children of his son in law Abraham Mower who is very poor and has eleven children named as follows. Conradt, Catharine, Lenah, David, John, Abraham, Jeremiah, Sary, Peggy, Gertrude, Henry. The particular ages of which he does not know the youngest is about one year old and they are about two years apart.

The said Conradt Frants further declares and says that he has no trade that his occupation is Farming. (Signed) Counradt Frantz

Sworn and declared on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of September in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty five before me. Alijah Osborn, clerk of the Court of common Pleas of the County of Herkimer.

End Notes—Conrad Frants—S.44862

1. Andrew Fink was the First Lieutenant in Captain Christopher P. Yates' Company in Colonel Goose VanSchaicks' Second New York Continental Regiment in 1775. Conrad's name does not appear on the muster roll for this company. FROM: Revolutionary War Rolls 1775-1783, Series M-246, Roll 67, Folder 19, National Archives, Washington, D.C.
2. Finck was appointed Captain on February 16, 1776 in Colonel Goose VanSchaick's Continental Regiment (not numbered). Conrad is listed as enlisting on April 8, 1776 as a private. He was still with the company on December 17, 1776 at the "Barricks at Saratoga." FROM: Revolutionary War Rolls 1775-1783, Series M-246, Roll 177, Folder 163, National Archives, Washington, D.C.
3. Peter Gansevoort was the Lieutenant Colonel of VanSchaick's in 1776.
4. Major General Richard Montgomery was killed on December 31, 1775 in the attack on Quebec.
5. Conrad enlisted as a private for "during war" in Captain Aaron Aorson's Company (Fifth Company) on January 1, 1777 in Colonel Peter Gansevoort's Third New York Continental Regiment. FROM: Revolutionary War Rolls 1775-1783, Series M-246, Roll 69, Folder 41, National Archives, Washington, D.C.
6. Brigadier General Barry St. Leger with a British force of Germans, Regulars, Loyalists, and Indians laid siege to Fort Schuyler (Fort Stanwix) at present day Rome, New York on August 2, 1777. The siege actually lasted 21 days.
7. Marinus Willet at this time was the Lieutenant-Colonel of the Third New York.
8. The Battle of Amboy, New Jersey was fought on March 8, 1777.
9. The Generals John Sullivan and James Clinton's Iroquois Expedition of 1779.
10. Leonard Bleecker was the Captain of the Eighth Company in the Third New York.
11. The YorkTown, Virginia Campaign was from September 28, to October 19, 1781.