

**Pension Application for John Hayns or Haynes**

W.17044 (Widow: Hannah) Married April 17, 1782 by Rev. William Mead at Poundridge in NY. John died July 26, 1799.

State of New York

City & County of New York SS.

Be it known that before me Sylvester Spencer a Notary Public in and for the State of New York residing in the City and County of New York personally appeared Enoch Hoyt of the said City and made oath in due form of law, that he was well acquainted with John Haynes during the Revolutionary War and also that he the said deponent from his own personal knowledge is acquainted with the following facts and circumstances in relation to the said John Haynes, to wit, that he the said John Haynes entered the service as a volunteer in the year 1776 as a private in the company commanded by Captain Sackett.—

That he was driven back and obliged to remove from New Rochelle to Poundridge.

That he served on the lines as one of the frontier guards and was under Capt. Benjamin Stephens & Captain Acker, some part of the time they made head quarters & at Stephen Wards six or seven miles from Whiteplains frequently acted as a guide to the Army in consequence of his being well acquainted with the ground and being a very smart and active man.

And the said deponent further saith that the said John Haynes was the first man who brought the news into camp, that Burgoyne was taken, and one circumstance which makes him remember it more, particularly was the following health which was drank by the said John Haynes thus,

*“W’ell Drink the Health of the States.*

*“To the brave General Gates.*

*“Who fought with courage so fine!*

*“With the Protection of Heavin, [heaven]*

*“In year seventy seven*

*“March forth to the north & pull down,*

*“The Haughty Burgoyne.”*

That the said John Haynes continued in the army until the war closed in the year seventeen hundred and eighty three, and that he was with Colonel Thomas on the frontier guards, and that he the said deponent was married on the same day that the said John Haynes was married on the same day that the said John Haynes was married to the said Hannah Haynes his now widow, which was on the seventeenth day of April seventeen hundred and eighty two, by the Reverend William Mean, and that the said Hannah Haines still remains the widow of him the said John Haynes.  
(Signed) Enoch Hoyt

Sworn this 8<sup>th</sup> day of July 1837 before me. Sylvester Spencer Notary Public