

Pension Application for Caleb Hill

S.4376

The State of Ohio Licking County SS.

Court of Common Pleas October 31st 1832.

On this day personally appeared in open court Caleb Hill a resident of said county, aged seventy six years; born in Dutchess [Dutchess] County & State of New York; who being duly sworn upon the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed on the 7th of June AD 1832.

That he enlisted in the service of the United States in the Revolutionary War, in the Revolutionary War in the spring of the year 1776 at Wallkill, Orange County in the State of New York for the term of six months under Captain William Faulkner in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Hollenback, as he believes in the New York State troops.—

That after enlisting joined the company of New Windsor and embarked thence on board a sloop and went down to the City of New York, and there joined the Army of the troops at that time at that place—after remaining sometime at New York they were crossed over to Brooklyn & marched to join the army at Flat Bush where General Lee, and Lord Stirling were taken prisoners by the enemy.

They remained three days on Long Island and then retreated crossing the Brooklyn through the memorable Fog in the City of New York. He thinks Genl Washington was in command at that time. After this they remained in New York some time until the British approached the City with their fleet, when the American troops retreated to Kingsbridge—in which retreat they had some skirmishing with the British troops; and were finally relieved by the arrival of Gen. Putnam with a reinforcement a portion of the troops amongst which was this deponent, were detached Blackwells Island to keep guard, to keep the British from coming over to land—

From here we were marched to White Plains where we had a battle with the English, in which this deponent was not personally engaged, but was near the time of action. In this battle the English retreated after having a number of them were killed and wounded—after this we marched up to Peekskill and was there at the time the tour expired and was there discharged in the month of December of the same year after having faithfully served for a little more than six months.

Deponent stated that at the time he enlisted he received ten dollars bounty.

HE stated that he had lost his discharge and had no documentary evidence of his service in his power to procure.

He now recollects the following officers who were in the service of the United States. Captain William Faulkner, Col. Hollenback General Putnam, Major Fish.

Has a record of his age which shows that he was born in the year 1756.

He hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or annuity except the present—and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any state. (Signed) Caleb Hill

Sworn and subscribed in open court. A.H. Coffee Clk.

Letter in folder dated March 8, 1940, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your letter relative to Caleb Hill, a soldier of the Revolutionary War.

The data contained herein were obtained from the papers on file in the Revolutionary War pension claim, S.4376, based upon the military service in that war of Caleb Hill.

Caleb Hill was born in Dutchess County, New York, in 1756, day, month, and names of his parents are not shown.

Caleb Hill enlisted in Wallkill, Orange County, New York, in the spring of 1776, served more than six months as private in Captain William Faulkner's Company, Colonel Hoornbeck's New York Regiment and was in the retreat from Long Island.

He was allowed pension on his application executed October 31, 1832, at which time he was a resident of Licking County, Ohio.

There are no family data.