

Pension Application for Cornelius Krom

S.13679

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

State of New York

Ulster County SS.

On the Eleventh day of December one thousand eight hundred and thirty two personally appeared in open court now sitting before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas, held at the Court House in the Village of Kingston in and for the County of Ulster being a Court of Record having a Clerk and Seal of their own Cornelius Krom a Resident of the town of Marbletown in said County of Ulster aged seventy nine years, who being first sworn according to Law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed 7 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 Marbletown in the County of Ulster and State of New York in the Year 1754.

That he has a record of his age in his family Bible and is also contained in the Babtismal [Baptismal] Records of the Reformed Dutch Church of Reformed Dutch Church of Marbletown.

That he lived in the said town of Marbletown when called into service. That he has lived there since the Revolutionary War, and that he lives there now.

That he sometime in the fall of the year 1776 he was drafted as one of a class as a private Soldier in the militia service of the State of New York in the Revolutionary War, and was in the Company commanded by Captain Hendrick Schoonmaker for one month. That he enlisted and served the said company at Kingston Landing and went from there by water to Peekskill and was there stationed at Fort Independence and engaged in building said Fort and continued there in said service for the full term of one month and was discharged (received no written discharge). For the proof of the above he would refer you to the affidavit of John A. Dewitt hereto attached, he being the only person alive whom he recollects that he can procure to testify to the above service.

And this applicant further declares that immediately after the above service in the same year 1776 he was again drafted in the said service as aforesaid in a detachment of militia under the command of Majors Albert Paulding and Adrian Wynkoop and was in a company commanded by Captain Ransom for one month and that he with the said company were sent to relieve and protect the Citizens of Schoharie when he besieged by the Indians and Tories and pursued them to Harpersfield on the frontiers South West from Albany, when he with the said returned to Ulster County and was then there discharged after the full term of one month (received no written discharge) For the proof of which service he would refer to the affidavit of John A. DeWitt hereby attached, he being the only person alive whom he recollects that can testify to the said service.

And this applicant further declares that on or about the first of June in the year 1777 was again drafted in the same service as aforesaid, in Captain John Hasbrouck's company in Colonel Levi Pauldings Regiment for Two months, and that he with the said company rendezvoused at Kingston Ulster County and went from thereby water to Fort Montgomery and continued there untill about the first of August following and was then discharged after the full term of two months (received no written discharge) For the proof of which service he would [refer to] the affidavit of John G. Krom hereto attached, he being the only person alive, whom he recollects that can testify to the said service.

And this applicant further declares that soon after the last mentioned service 1777 he again was drafted in the same service as aforesaid, in the company commanded by Captain John Hasbrouck in Colonel Hornbecks Regiment for six weeks. That he with the said company rendezvoused at Kingston Ulster County and went from there by land by way of Catskill, Coxsackie & Albany to Saratoga to stop the progress of Burgoines army, and continued there untill after the second Battle (was not in the battle) when he with the said company were sent to Albany with prisoners where he with the said company were then discharged after the full term of six weeks service (and returned home a few days before Kingston was burn) (received no written discharge) For the Proof of which service he would refer to the affidavit of John A. DeWitt hereto attached, he being the person alive whom he recollects that can testify to the said service.

And this applicant further declares that sometime in the Spring of the Year 1778 he was again drafted in the same service as aforesaid in the company commanded by Captain Frederick Schoonmaker for Three Months and was stationed at a place called Ashokan in the town of Marbletown at the house of Conradt DuBois, and continued there for the term of two months and was then with the said company discharged one month before the full term for which he was drafted was expired.

That he and the said company was stationed there a gaurd [guard] to the frontiers (received no written discharge) for the proof of which service he would refer to the affidavit of John A. DeWitt he being the only person alive whom he recollects that can testify to the said service.

And that this applicant further declares that in the fall of the same year 1778 was again drafted in the same service as aforesaid in the Company commanded by Captain Frederick Schoonmaker for three & a half months and was stationed as a frontier gaurd in the town of Marbletown in the County of Ulster, and continued there in said service the full term of three & [a] half months and was then there discharged (received no written discharge) For the proof of which service he would refer to the affidavit of John A. DeWitt hereto attached, he being being [sic] the only person alive whom he recollects that can testify to said service.

And finally this applicant declares by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he may not be exactly correct as to the precise time the service or services were rendered, but that he swears positively he served during the revolutionary war at

different & stated periods the full term of eleven months or more as a private soldier and verily believes that the above dates of the term of service are correct.

That he was acquainted with Generals George & James Clinton. George Commanded at Fort Constitution. (Signed) Cornelius Thorn

Sworn to & Subscribed the day and year aforesaid. A.D. Sloper First Judge & AG Hardenbergh, Abm A. Deyo, John Jansen, Judges.

Letter in folder dated November 11, 1937 written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your request for information relative to Revolutionary War soldiers, Cornelius and Jan (Yan) Krom or Krum and Jacob and Jacobus S. Davis.

The Revolutionary War records of this office fail to afford any information in regard to a Jacob Davis who served from New York State or to any soldiers named Jan (Yan) Krom or Krum and Jacobus S. Davis.

The data which follow were obtained from papers on file in the pension claim, S.13679, based upon the Revolutionary War service of Cornelius Krom.

He was born in 1754 in Marbletown, Ulster County, New York, and was the son of John Krom. The name of his mother was not given. It was stated that Cornelius Krom's baptism was recorded in the baptismal records of the Reformed Dutch Church of Marbletown.

Cornelius Krom enlisted and served as private with the New York troops as follows: in the fall of 1776 served one month in Captain Hendrick Schoonmaker's company; immediately afterward he served one month in Captain Ransom's company; from about the first of June, 1777, served two months in Captain John Hasbrouck's company in Colonel Levi Paulding's regiment; soon afterward served six weeks in Captain John Hasbrouck's company in Colonel Hoornbeck's regiment; in the spring of 1778 served two months in Captain Frederick Schoonmaker's company; in the fall of 1778 served three and one half months in Captain Frederick Schoonmaker's company.

Cornelius Krom was allowed pension on his application executed December 11, 1832, at which time he was living in Marbletown, Ulster County, New York, where he had always lived.

In 1836 one John G. Krom was living in Hurley, Ulster County, New York, aged eighty-one years, but his relationship to the soldier was not given and there are no further data relative to soldier's family.