

## **Pension Application for Joseph McCracken**

S.27176

Application for a new Certificate.

County of Washington SS.

On this tenth day of September 1822, before me the Subscriber a Justice of the peace for the said County of Washington personally appeared Colonel Joseph McCracke, who on his oath declares that he is the same person who formerly was a Captain in the first New York Regiment in the service of the United States commanded by Col. Goes VanSchaick—That while in service aforesaid in the Regiment aforesaid to wit on the twenty eighth day aforesaid to wit on the twenty eighth day of June one thousand seven hundred and seventy eight of the Battle of Monmouth he lost and arm by a Cannon shot received from the enemy.

That on the twenty eighth day of June one thousand seven hundred and seventy nine he was appointed a Major in the fourth New York Regiment in the service of the United States Commanded by Liet Col. Regnier to take rank from the twenty ninth day of May one thousand seven hundred and seventy eight.

That his name was placed on the pension roll of the State of New York on the twelfth day of February 1786. That he received a certificate from Col. Richard Varrick and Richard Platt, that he has never received a formal certificate and now wishes to obtain one. That his certificate has been lost by time and accident. And that his yearly pension was three hundred collars, and that he now resides in the Town of Salem, County of Washington and State of New York and is eighty seven years of age – all which is true according to deponents best knowledge & belief. (Signed) Joseph McCracken

Sworn and subscribed to before me the day and year aforesaid. Henry Matthews, one of the Justices of the Peace for the County of Washington.

Letter in folder dated November 28, 1928, written in response to an inquiry.

I advise you from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim, S.27176, it appears that Joseph McCracken was a captain In the First New York Regiment which was commanded by Colonel Goose VanSchaick, date of appointment not stated.

While in the service of the United States, at the battle of Monmouth on June 28, 1778, he lost an arm by a cannon ball from the enemy. On June 28, 1779, he was appointed major to rank as such from May 29, 1778, in the Fourth New York Regiment, commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Regnier. The length of his service is not given.

On account of the disability resulting from; the above mentioned injury, he was pensioned from February 12, 1786.

In 1824, he was eighty-seven years of age, and a resident of Salem, Washington County, New York

He died May 5, 1825.