

Pension Application for Alexander McKenzie

W.19869 (Widow: Catharine) Married September 11, 1785 and Alexander died August 1813.

Declaration. In order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress of the 7th July 1838 entitled an act granting half pay & pensions to certain widows.

State of New York

Ulster County SS

On this fifth day of December in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight personally appeared before me Jacob Snyder one of the Judges of the Court in and for said County of Ulster Catharine McKenzie a resident of the town of Saugerties County of Ulster and State of New York aged seventy three years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed—July 7, 1838, entitled and act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows.

That she is the widow of Alexander McKenzie who resided in the town of Saugerties aforesaid, that near the close of the Revolutionary war he volunteered in the Military Service of the State of New York in a Company of Levies commanded by Captain Livingston in Colonels Pawling's or Wisenfelt's Regiment for the term of eight or nine months.

She further declares that the said Alexander McKenzie has also been engaged in the Service as aforesaid in a company commanded by Captain Henry Pawling in Colonel Wisenfelt's Regiment also for a term of eight or nine months.

She further declares that said Alexander McKenzie has also been egaged [engaged] as a private Soldier for short tours under different officers in Colonel Johannis Snyder's Regiment in all for about two months.

She further declares that the foregoing statement according to the best of her recollection is mainly correct but owing to the lapses of time and loss of memory she is unable to give any more particulars but believes—that said Alexander has during the revolutionary war been engaged in several other services under different officers and stationed in different places for the defence of his country but do not recollect any officers names.

She further declares that she was married to the said Alexander McKenzie the Eleventh day of September in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty five by the Reverend Devunden Minister of the Dutch Reformed Church in said town of Saugerties that her maiden name before he marriage was Catharine Post.

And that her husband the aforesaid Alexander McKenzie died August in the year 1813 for the truth of which she would respectfully refer to the War Office.

That she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service but that the marriage took place previous to the first of January in the year seventeen hundred and ninety four viz at the time above stated.

She further declares that she has no documentary evidence nor any living witness to prove the foregoing statement except those hereunto annexed. (Signed with her mark) Catharine McKenzie

Sworn to and subscribed on the day and year above written before me and I do further certify that the above named applicant Catharine McKenzie from bodily infirmity cannot attend court. Jacob Snyder one of the Judges of the County Courts of Ulster County.