

### **Pension Application for Thomas Moor or Moore**

S.43027

State of New York

Ontario County SS

On this 21<sup>st</sup> day of April 1818 before me Stephen Phelps a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the County and State aforesaid personally appears Thomas Moor aged 58 years resident in the town of Gorham in the County and State aforesaid who being by me first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late Act of Congress entitled "An Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War".

That he the said Thomas Moor enlisted in April 1780 in the town of Bateman in the County of Dutchess in the State of New York for the term of nine months in the company commanded by Capt. Williams (1) in the 13<sup>th</sup> New York Regiment (2) commanded by Col. Wisenfelt that he continued to serve in the said Corps until January 1781 when he was discharged from service at Albany in the said State.

That he enlisted in April 1781 in the town of Bateman in the County of Dutchess aforesaid for the term of nine months in the Company commanded by Capt. Whelps (3) in the Regiment commanded by Col. Willet of the New York line that he continued to serve in said Corps until January 1782 at the expiration of said time when he was discharged from service at Johnstown in the County of Montgomery and State of New York.

That he was in the Battle of Germantown (4) and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of assistance of his Country for support and that having lost his discharge he has no over evidence now in his power of his said services. (Signed) Thomas Moor

Sworn to and declares the day and yea aforesaid before me. Stephen Phelps.

Letter in folder dated April 4, 1936, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your letter in which you request the Revolutionary War record of Thomas Moor who was pensioned in 1818 in Ontario County, New York.

You are furnished herein the record of Thomas Moor as found in the papers on file in pension claim, S.43027, based upon his service in the Revolutionary War.

The date and place of this soldier's birth and names of his parents are not given.

While residing in Beekman, Dutchess County, New York, Thomas Moor (whose name appears as Moore, also) enlisted and served a tour, during which he was in the battle of Germantown, date of enlistment, length of service and names of officers not stated. He enlisted in April, 1780, served as private in Captain Williams' company, Colonel Weisenfels' New York regiment, and was discharged in January 1781. He enlisted in April, 1781, served as private in Captain Whelp's company, Colonel Willett's New York regiment, and was discharged in January, 1782.

Thomas Moor was allowed pension on his application executed April 21, 1818, at which time he was aged fifty-eight years and a resident of Gorham, Ontario County, New York. He signed Thomas Moore and his name was born on the pension rolls as Thomas Moor, 3<sup>rd</sup>.

In 1820, the soldier was still living In Gorham, Ontario County, New York, and referred to his wife then aged sixty-five years, but he did not state her name, nor did he make any reference to children. He died February 11, 1839.

In 1818, one Robert Moor, of Steuben County, New York, made affidavit that he served with Thomas Moor on his tour in 1780, but did not state any relationship to him.

End Notes—S.43027—Thomas Moor

1. Thomas has this confused as to what regiment this captain belonged to. Daniel Williams was originally appointed captain on May 11, 1780 in Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Albert Pawling's Regiment of New York State Levies. The company in late May and early June were stationed at Fort Edward. By July Williams was transferred to Colonel Morris Graham's Regiment of New York State Levies. It is not clear if only Captain Williams was transferred or if the whole company was transferred. There appears if the whole company was transferred. There appears to be no muster roll for Captain Williams' Company in Pawling's Regiment. There is only one muster roll for Captain Williams' Company in Colonel Graham's Regiment. It is dated Albany September 9, 1780 and Thomas's name is not on it. FROM: Revolutionary War Rolls 1775-1783, Series M-249, Roll 72, folder 75, National Archives, Washington D.C. A Robert Moor also gave testimony for Thomas's service for 1780 but did not state his relationship with Thomas. Robert's name is not on the muster roll. One reading Robert's pension application (S.43036) He states "*he served in the same company until July and then put in a company commanded by Captain Norton.*" Thomas also testified in Robert's pension application and states the same thing. I had already found a Robert and Thomas Moor serving as privates in Captain John Davis' Second Company in Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Frederick Weisenfel's Fourth New York Continental Regiment. The testimony in Robert's application verifies what I had already uncovered. Robert and Thomas both enlisted on July 1, 1780 for 5 months. Thomas was discharged on December 15, 1780 but Robert deserted on October 24, 1780. In 1780, and 1781 and 1782 levies were recruited to serve out a portion of their term in Continental Regiments. The Fourth New York in 1780 had recruited at least 30 men from the levies to fill their ranks. The regiment was in New Jersey and Captain Nathaniel Horton had been set to New York State as a recruiting officer and by August he had over 80 recruits for the regiment. The regiment went to West Point, New York and eventually was sent to Fort Schuyler, New York for winter quarters and arrived there by November 22, 1780.
2. There never was a 13<sup>th</sup> New York regiment. There were never more than 5 New York regiments from November 21, 1776 to January 1, 1781. On January 1, the 5 New York Regiments were consolidated into two regiments.
3. Anthony Whelp was appointed captain on April 27, 1781 in Lieutenant Colonel Commandant Marinus Willett's Regiment of New York State Levies. Thomas is listed on Captain Whelp's Pay Roll for £ 18. . 13. . 4 that was due him for his service. The money when paid was delivered to John Thornton. FROM: Revolutionary War Rolls 1775-1783, Series M-246, Roll 78, folder 173, National Archives, Washington, D.C.
4. The Battle of Germantown, Pennsylvania was fought on October 4, 1777. Thomas does not state any service for that year or state although he was 16 in 1776 and eligible for military service. On examining Robert's pension application he states that he enlisted in March of 1777 under Lieutenant Howe for a year in Colonel Butler's Regiment at Wyoming.