

Pension Application for Abraham Osborn or Osborne

S.29356

Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress, passed June 7th 1832.

State of New York

Tompkins County, SS

On this 3d day of June personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Court of Oyer & Terminer now sitting Abraham Osborn a resident of the town of Enfield in the county of Tompkins and state of New York, aged (78) seventy eight years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress, passed June 7th 1832. That he entered the service of the United States, under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

That he resided in the town of Minisink Orange Co., New York when he entered the service.

That in the winter of 1775 the month & day he does not recollect, he enlisted for three months under Captain John Wisner in Col. Haythorn's regiment of the New York State troops—that he marched to New Windsor on the North River with his regiment – staid there for sometime but cannot recollect [recollect] how long & went from thence on the ice to Fort Montgomery—staid at Fort Montgomery as a part of the garrison until the three months were out—was dismissed sometime in March 1776—cannot recollect the precise time, but the British [British] had not yet got into possession of the City of New York. That he was acquainted with Lieut Sutton in the same company also Capt. Logan in the same Regiment.

In the summer of 1776 he cannot recollect the day or month, but it was soon after harvest, he enlisted at Minisink aforesaid for five months in the State troops under Captain John Wood in Col. Isaac Nichol's regiment—marched to Kings Bridge & worked at the Chef-au-du-frese [cheval de fries] that it was thrown up to keep off a man of war that was expected—cannot tell how long they remained there, but it was not long—marched next to Peekskill & there staid till his time was out which was about the first day of January 1777—was then dismissed & went home—knew Captain Little in and the Regiment at Kings Bridge – also knew Lieut Dunning.

That he was out after that during the war at various times but cannot state his services with sufficient particularity.

That he has no documentary evidence, but he believes he can procure the testimony of Ebenezer Bartlett & Anthony Swartwood who can testify to his service.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declare that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. (Signed with his mark) Abraham Osborne

Sworn to and subscribed, the day and year aforesaid before me. Geo. G. Freer,
Deputy Clerk

Letter in folder dated October 25, 1923, written in response to an inquiry.

I have to advise you that from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim S.29356 it appears that Abraham Osborn, or Osborne, was born in Morristown, New Jersey, date not stated.

While a resident of Minisink, Orange County, New York he enlisted December 1, 1775 and served as private in Captain John Wisner's Company, Colonel John Hathorn's New York Regiment until March 1, 1776.

On August 1, 1776 he enlisted and served as a private in Captain John Wood's company, Colonel Isaac Nichols' New York Regiment until January 1, 1777.

He was allowed pension on his application executed June 3, 1833 while a resident of Enfield, Tompkins County, New York aged seventy-eight years.

In 1837 he resided at Woodstock, Lenawee County, Michigan with his son Samuel Osborn, and his grandson Alvin Osborn also lived there. Name of soldier's wife not stated.