

## **Pension Application for John Paddock**

S.14076

State of New York

Onondaga County SS.

On the 25<sup>th</sup> day of September 1832, personally appeared before the Court of Chancery of the State of New York sitting at Onondaga, John Paddock a resident of the Town of Camillus in the County of Onondaga & State of New York aged sixty seven 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 provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officer & served as herein stated—he entered the service under Colonel Willit [Willett] the Lieutenant-Colonels & Majors names are not recollected. Captain Peter VanRensselaer (1) Lieutenant Spencer the ensign's name is not recollected.—That he volunteered to fill the place of a soldier to be promoted by a class to which he belonged & which class was required to furnish one soldier. That he joined his company at Kinderhook in the County of Columbia & State of New York that this deponent at that time resided in the town of Kinderhook in the County of Columbia aforesaid that he marched from there to Albany & from there to Schenectady & from there up the Mohawk River against the Indians & was in the battle fought with the British & Indians at the time the British General Butler (2) was killed by the Regiment under Colonel Willit & the friendly Oneida Indians that were with them at the time at West Canada creek; this deponent then marched to German Flatts & was four days without provision during their march that he entered the service about the first of July 1781 & was discharged about the first of January 1782—That Captain Woodward's Company of Artillery (3) was with this deponent at the time General Butler was taken & this deponent believes they belonged to the Continental troops—this deponent has no documentary evidence & that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service that he was discharged at Fort Plain but received no written discharge that the whole company to which he belonged were drawn up in line & dismissed & discharged from the service their time of service being for six months having expired—that this deponent was born in the year 1765 in the Nine Partners in the County of Dutchess in the State of New York & this deponent has no record of his age that he removed from Kinderhook after the close of the war to Phillipstown in the County of Dutchess & from there to the town of Camillus County of Onondaga & has resided in this town since the year 1800.—This deponent gives the following named persons who reside in the same neighborhood with him & can testify as to this deponents character for veracity & their belief of his services in the army of the Revolution.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of the agency of any state.—

The names of the neighbors of this deponent above referred to an Doctor Henry Roberts, James Abrams, Sollomon Paddock, Gilbert Rose, James M. Baker Esquire, Loring Richmond, Russell Bennett, Christian Gortschuis, William M. Canfield Esquire, & Grove Laurence & that he has no documentary evidence of his services. (Signed with his mark) John Paddock.

Sworn this 25<sup>th</sup> day of Sep. 1832. Daniel Moseley, Circuit Judge & Vice Chancellor.  
Letter dated March 21, 1940 replying to a letter of inquiry.

The data which follow were obtained from the papers on file in pension claim, S.14076, based upon service of John Paddock in the Revolutionary War.

John Paddock was born in the year 1765 in Nine Partners, Dutchess County, New York; the names of his parents were not given.

While a resident of Kinderhook, Columbia County, New York, he enlisted July 1, 1781, served as private in Captain Peter Van Rensselaer's Company, Colonel Willett's New York regiment, was in the battle of west Canada Creek and was discharged January 1, 1782, at Fort Plain.

After the close of the war, John Paddock moved to Phillipstown, Dutchess County, New York, thence to Camillus, Onondaga County, New York.

He was allowed pension on account of his service in the Revolutionary War on his application executed September 25, 1832, at which time he resided in Camillus, New York. John Paddock made no reference to wife or children.

In 1832, Solomon Paddock, John's Brother, resided in Camillus, New York; he was born May 19, 1768. Their father was living at the time John served in the Revolutionary War.

End Notes—S.14076—John Paddock

1. Peter VanRensselaer was appointed on July 17, 1781, as captain in Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant Marinus Willett's Regiment of New York Levies. Lieutenant John Spencer was appointed on July 24, and Lieutenant Jacob Winney was appointed on July 31 in Captain VanRensselaer's Company. John enlisted on July 31, 1781 as a private in Captain VanRensselaer's Company. The company was raised to service four

months and was discharged on November 30, 1781. FROM: Revolutionary War Rolls 1775-1783, Series M-246, Roll 78, folder 173, National Archives, Washington, D.C.

2. Captain Walter Butler of Lieutenant-Colonel John Butler's Corp of Rangers was killed on October 30, 1781 at West Canada Creek.
3. The artillery company which was with Willett was under Captain Andrew Moody of the eSecond Continental Artillery Regiment.