

## **Pension Application for John Reid**

R.8662

State of New York

County of Kings SS

On this first day of July in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty three personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of the Municipal Court in and for the Village of Brooklyn in the said County of Kings now sitting John Reid a resident of said Brooklyn in the County and State aforesaid aged eighty one years and upwards 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 7, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as here in stated.

That sometime in the year 1775 an independent volunteer company of Horse of Cavalry was embodied and raised in said Brooklyn and New York was a chosen captain and William Boerum was first Lieutenant and Thomas Everitt was second Lieutenant. That this declarant enlisted in said company soon after it was raised, and was then elected a sergeant.

That about nine months after the said company was raised the said Waldron resigned his said commission and the said Boerman was then elected a Captain of said Company and this declarant was then chosen Cornet of said company. That the said company was called into service of the United States about one year before the Battle of Long Island was fought according to the best recollection and belief of the said declarant.

That said company were employed under the order of General green in riding express and driving cattle towards the East end of Long Island—to secure them from the enemy.

That while the company was dispersed through out the Island employed as aforesaid. This declarant was stationed by order of his commanding officer in the Steeple Church in New Utrecht in said County watching the motions of the east end [?] frigates which were guarding in the bay of New York, that this declarant was at Hallets cove on Long Island on a visit to his wife who resided there when the British landed upon Long Island and the battle of Long Island was fought.

That declarant after the battle attempted to escape in a [perinanger?] up the North River to join the American Army—but was taken prisoner while the perinanger was aground and through the interception of some of his friends admitted to a parole and remained In this situation during the whole of the war and that in consequence of his being employed as above stated and detached from the army he is unable to state the names of any officers in the army—and that from his advanced age and loss of memory he is unable to state precisely when he entered the service and when he left the same.

But that he served as a coronet for ten months and upwards until he was taken prisoner as above stated and for such ten months service he claims a pension. He

hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on he pension roll of any state. (Signed) John Reid  
Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. John G. Murphy Justice.