

Pension Application for Samuel Vader (Veeder, Vader, Fador)

S.11655

State of New York

Columbia County SS.

On this 14th day of June A.D. 1823 personally appeared before the Justices of the Justices Court of the City of Hudson in said County in Open Court now sitting Samuel Vader a resident of the town of Livingston in said County aged seventy four years who being first duly sworn doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That the only record of his age is recollection & tradition. That he was born in the town of Rhinebeck in Dutchess County—in December of the year 1758—he thinks—perhaps some year earlier—that he was soon put in apprentice to a man in Glenmont in Columbia County, where he resided till the Revolution. That the first part of June in the year 1775 he enlisted in the army of the United states for three years. That he enlisted in the Company of Abraham Swartout Captain (1), Lieutenant Garret Staats (2), & Ensign Phillip Conine. (3) They marched via Albany to Fort Stanwix & where there joined to the regular troops stationed there in the Regiment of Col. Peter Gansvoort & Brigade of General Fisher (4). That Capt. Swartout left the command soon after arriving there & Capt. Aaron Austin (5) took the command—This was a company of “Light Infantry”—He was there when the British officers were introduced into the said Fort blindfolded & was in the battle (6) which followed—He was also with General Sullivan (7) in his excursion among the Indians up the River Susquehanna—that the troops wintered in New Jersey, & in the spring they came to Albany & then he was discharged, after a service of three full years—He received a written discharge, which he has lost—He was in the skirmish (8) with the Indians when the villages & corn was burnt.—

That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present--& he declares that his name is not on the pension [roll] of any agency in any State—

And this applicant further says, (on the suggestion of said Court that Sullivan’s expedition was in 1779) & that he may be & probably is mistaken as to the time of commencing his said service—but the he served three full years, in the line of Regular troops, which service terminated with the Sullivan Expedition.—(Signed with his mark) Samuel Vader

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid. J. D. Parker, Clk

End Notes—S.11655—Samuel Vader

1. Samuel enlisted as a private in Captain Abraham Swartwout’s Fourth Company on June 9, 1777 for three years in Colonel Peter Gansevoort’s Third New York continental Regiment. He was discharged on June 9, 1780. FROM: Revolutionary War Rolls 1775-1783, Series M-246, Roll 70, folder 47, National Archives, Washington, D.C.
2. Garret Staats was the Second Lieutenant in Captain Aaron Aorson’s Fifth Company in Colonel Gansevoort’s Regiment. Staats was appointed on November 21, 1776.
3. Philip Conine was appointed First Lieutenant on November 21, 1776 in Captain Swartwout’s Company. The other officers appointed on the same date for this company were Gilbert R. Livingston as Second Lieutenant and Samuel Lewis as the Ensign.
4. Frederick Visscher (Fisher, etc.) was the Colonel of the Third Regiment of Tryon County Militia. He was appointed Brigadier General on October 2, 1786 of the Montgomery County Militia. Gansevoort’s Regiment was not part of a brigade at this time as it was garrisoning Fort Schuyler or Fort Stanwix.
5. Captain Aorson’s Company was in 1778 designated the Light Infantry Company which usually the best physically fit men of the regiment. Captain Swartwout left the regiment about May 1, 1778. On a “Return of the sick in the Garrison of Fort Schuyler,

March 1, 1778" listed is NAMES "Sam^l Fador". COMPANIES "Capt Swartout". DISEASES "Debility". WHERE SICK "In Quarters". Signed by Lieutenant Colonel Marinus Willett and Hunloke Woodruff, Surgeon. Both officers were of Gansevoort's Regiment. FROM: pp 430-431, Muster Rolls and Pay Rolls of the War of the Revolution 1775-1783, Vol. II, Collection of the New York Historical Society for the year 1915, N.Y. 1916.

6. The Siege of Fort Schuyler, New York went from August 3, 1777 until August 22, 1777.
7. Major General John Sullivan and Brigadier General James Clinton led an expedition against the Iroquois Villages in the western part of New York in 1779.
8. The Battle of Newtown or present day Elmira, NY, was fought on August 29, 1779. This was the only battle fought during the Sullivan-Clinton Campaign.