

Pension Application for David Waldo

S.9522

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

State of New York

Chautauqua County SS

In this twelfth day of February 1833 personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the court of Common Pleas in & for said County of Chautauqua now sitting David Waldo a resident of the town of Mina in the County & State aforesaid aged sixty eight years on the 21 day of September last 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 herein stated.

In the year 1779 he was residing in the town of Cambridge in the County of Albany in the State of New York when he entered the service as a substitute of one of the number of [nine?] which formed a class than were ordered to Fort Edward on the North River under Col. Sherwood, who commanded the Regiment at Fort Edward at that time at [and] remained at Fort Edward three months when he was ordered with a portion of the Regiment to the block house at Palmerstown lying west of the Fort where they were Stationed about 15 or 20 miles under the command of Major Blair, where he remained about three months, at the end of which time he received a written discharge from Major Blair, the term for which he entered having expired being six months in all which he served as militia man. Declarant returned home after his discharge where he remained through the winter following.

And in the next Spring in the month of May he thinks he volunteered to serve as a militia man in the company under the command of Captain Edmund Wells in which company he marched to fort Edward under Ensign Austin Wells and joined the regiment at that place under Col. Sherwood from thence he went to Fort Ann, under Co. Sherwood & Lieutenant Bolton. Captain Bradshaw commanded the [company] in which he marched from fort Edward to Fort Ann, where he was stationed for seven months during which time he was frequently out on scouting expeditions.

At the expiration of the said seven months he was ordered to attend Lieutenant Bolton (who was taken sick) on his way home by the Col. Of the Regiment who was Seth Sherwood.

This declarant engaged Solomon steward as a Substitute to serve in his stead at Fort Ann for the period of one month which would complete the time for which declarant had volunteered which was for eight months. Declarant attended Lieutenant Bolton home and then returned to Cambridge in the County of Albany. Declarants actual service in this campaign was seven months [??] the period which he served by substitute by Solomon Steward who was taken prisoner at Fort Ann by the British under the Command of Col. Sherwood who was Brother as this declarant thinks to Col. Seth Sherwood of the American Regiment at said Fort.

He received no written discharge at this time, but went home under the circumstances above mentioned with the consent of his commanding officer. He has no documentary evidence & he knows of no person whose evidence he can procure or who can testify to his services.

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.

In answer to the interrogatories propounded by the Court now here he says.

1st I was born in Dover in Dutchess [Dutchess] County New York State on the 21 day of September 1764.

2. I have no original Record of my age but have a copy taken by myself from my father's record kept in his Bible.

3. I was living in Cambridge in the County of Albany when called into service & have lived since the revolutionary war in Cambridge in Albany County about three years from then I moved to Kinsbury [Kingsbury?] then in Albany County & stayed one year from then I moved to Whitestown now Oneida County, where I lived sixteen years from thence to the town & county where I now reside & have resided since.

4. I was called into service in my first campaign as a substitute and in my second by voluntary enlistment never having been drafted.

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6. I received a written discharge in my first campaign and in my second I was dismissed in the manner above set forth.

7. I am known to the Rev. Alanson [?] a Baptist Clergyman and Jeremiah Knowles & others in my present neighborhood who I presume can testify as to my character for veracity and their belief of my services as a soldier. (Signed) David Waldo
Sworn & Subscribed the day & year aforesaid in open court. Philip Ostrom.

Letter in the folder dated December 22, 1923, written in response to an inquiry.

I have to advise you that from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim S.9522 it appears that David Waldo was born September 21, 1764 in Dover, Dutchess County, New York.

While a resident of Cambridge, Albany County, New York he enlisted in 1779 and served thirteen months as a private under Captains George Gilmore, John McKillip, Joseph Wells and Bradshaw, and Colonels Lewis Van Woert and Seth Sherwood in the New York Troops.

He was allowed pension on his application executed February 12, 1833 while living in Nina, [I think this should be Mina] Chautauqua County, New York.

In 1852 he referred to his aged wife (her name not given). In 1854 he was a resident of Sherman, Chautauqua County, New York. There is no further family data on file.