

Pension Application for Cleamont West

R.11337

State of Ohio

Wayne County SS

On this first day of October AD 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas now setten [sitting] in and for the County of Wayne Ohio. Clemant West a resident of Chester Township in the said County of Wayne aged seventy two 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 the 7th 1832.

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

That in the year 1778 as near as he can now recollect, he went as a substitute for a class of the malitias [militia] for the term of six weeks and in the Command of Captain Knapp that he was station[ed] at Crom Ponds near the Croton River in the State of New York and from thence he marched to Pines Bridge in the State of Connecticut as he believes where he remained untill his term of service expired.

That in 1780 as near as he can now recollect he volunteer [volunteered] as a substitute for [?] time under the command of Captain Moody of the Artiley [Artillery] of the militia of New York for the term of nine months. That he was stationed at West Point under the command of General Knox where he remained untill his time of service expired. He believes that he served about four months and a half which completed the nine months that the said Danbeshien had to serve for whom this deponent was a substitute.

That this deponent received a written discharge signed by General Knox that this deponent [??] to one Ichabod Shaw and assigned to said Show. His discharge for the purpose of drawing his wages and that this deponent has never obtained his discharge since.

The deponent believes that he was discharged from the Army on the last of December AD 1780.

That he resided in another County in the State of New York at the time he entered the service.

That Colonel Crains Regiment was stationed about one fourth of a mile above the fort.

That he was acquainted with Captain Patton, Lieutenant Throp & Captain Banks, who had the cair [care?] of the Laboratory.

That he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose evidence he can procure who can testify to his services.

That after the war he resided in Dutchess County in the State of New York about one year. He then removed to New Shongo? in the State of New York where he remained about five months he then removed to the Susquhanna [Susquehanna] where he remained one year and nine months he then removed to Ulster County in the State of New York where he remained about fourteen years.

He then removed to Luzerne County in the State of Pennsylvania where he remained about ten years. He then removed to Washington County Pennsylvania where he remained seven years. He then removed to Green County where he remained about 3 years. He then removed to the County of Wayne and State of Ohio where he has lived ever since.

Where and in what your were you born.

Answer: I was born in Dutchess County in the State of New York in the year 1760 on the 20th of May.

Question. Have you any record of your age and if so where is it.

Answer: I have no record of my age.

Where were you living when called into service where have you lived since the Revolutionary war and where do you now live.

Answer: I lived in the County of Dutchess when I entered the service and have since resided as above stated.

How were you called into service were you drafted, did you volunteer or were you a substitute and if a substitute for whom.

Answer: I was a volunteer for six weeks and went as a substitute for James Danbeshoen.

State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served, such continental & Malitia Regiments as you can recollect and general circumstances of your services.

Answer: Captain Knapp Lieutenant Vail, General Knox, Colonel Lamb, Cap Moody, Lieutenant Morris, Captain Banks, Colonel Crain.

Question. Did you ever receive a discharge from the service and if so by whom was it given and what had become of it.

Answer: I received a discharge from General Knox and gave the discharge to Ichabod Shaw for the purpose of drawing my wages and have never been able to obtain it since.

Question: State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief of your services as a soldier of the Revolution.

Answer: John Vanosdalle, James Vanosdalle, John Wilson & James McClelland.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity [annuity] except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. (Signe) Clearmont West

Sworn and subscribed this first day of October AD 1832.

Letter in folder dated November 8, 1937, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your letter in which you request the Revolutionary War record of Clement West, who was aged eighty-years in 1840, then a resident of Green County, Ohio.

The data which follow were obtained from papers on file in pension claim, R.11337, based upon the service of Cleamonth West in the Revolutionary War.

Cleamont West (as his signature is shown in the claim) was born May 20, 1760 in Dutchess County, New York. The names of his parents were not given.

While a resident of Dutchess County, Cleamont West served in 1778, six weeks in Captain Knapp's company, and served in 1780, about four months and two weeks in Captain Moody's company of Artillery, stationed at West Point under General Knox.

After the Revolution, Cleamont West lived in Dutchess County, New York about one year, moved to "New Shongo", there about five months, and moved to the Susquehanna, lived on year and nine months, then to Ulster County, New York, where he lived fourteen years, moved to Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, lived then years, then to green County, ____, lived three years, thence to Wayne County, Ohio.

He applied for pension October 1, 1832, then living in Chester Township, Wayne County, Ohio.

The claim for pension was not allowed, as he did not served six months.

The papers on file in this claim contain no reference to the family of the soldier, Cleamont West.