

Pension Application for John Balsley

R.467

State of New York

Onondaga County SS.

On this 25th day of June 1853 before me Ralph Chapin a Justice of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, appeared Jacob Hawser (1) aged about Eighty seven years being by me duly sworn says that he was a soldier in the Revolutionary War, was in the service of the United States about six years was acquainted with John Balsley before and after the said war and up to the time of his death with the exception of about four years that deponent was a prisoner with the Indians, did not see the John Balsley while in the service but has been informed and verily verily [sic] believes that said Balsley was in said war in the Service of the United States, has frequently talked with him and others on the subject deponent further says that he and the said Balsley were stationed in different Regiments and thinks they were both under General Herkimer, (2) deponent further says that he is acquainted with the family of the said John Balsley deceased, and knew him to be the father of the said John Balsley (3) who makes application for the pension. Further deponent saith not. (Signed with his mark) Jacob Hawser

Subscribed and sworn this 25th day of June 1853. Ralph Chapin Justice of peace.

Disability Application for John Balsle

Dis—No Papers

Balsle, John

His name appears on a list of applicants for invalid pension returned by the District Court for the District of New York, submitted to the House of Representatives by the Secretary of War on December 31, 1794, and printed in the American State Papers, class 9, page 144

Rank: Private

Regt: Captain Hous's (4) militia

Disability: Wounded in thirteen different places

When and where disabled: May 20, 1781, Fort Hous

Residence: Connajoharrie

Remarks: Militia

Evidence: totally incomplete

End Notes—R.467—John Balsley and for Dis—No Papers John Balsle—Same Person

1. Jacob applied for a pension in 1833 PA NO. R.4754 and he gave his age as 67 years. He stated he enlisted in 1777 in Captain Frederick Getman's Company in Colonel Peter Bellinger's Fourth Regiment of Tryon County Militia.
2. Nicholas Herkimer was appointed September 5, 1776 as the Brigadier General of the Tryon County Militia Brigade.
3. John Balsley Jr. applied for his father's pension on May 12, 1853 while living at Manlius, Onondaga County, New York. John Jr. was 50 years old and states John Sr. died On August 8, 1850 and his mother Charity died on March 15, 1803. He states they were married on January 1, 1790.
4. Christian House Captain of the Seventh Company in Colonel Jacob Klock's Second Regiment of Tryon County Militia. John's name does not appear on this company receipt roll for pay in 1784. An Andrew Balsley/Balsle does appear as a private in this company. Possibly John was under 16 years of age and would not appear as a legal

enrolled member of this company. A Peter Balsley/Balsle also served as a private in Colonel Klock's Regiment.