

### **Pension Application for Cornelius Blank**

S.45294

County of Montgomery

State of New York SS.

On this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighteen before me, the subscriber one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas for the said County, personally appears before me Cornelius Blank aged fifty eight years, residing in the town of Minden in the said County, who being by me first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath—make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of congress entitled and act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land and Naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War.

That he the said Cornelius Blank enlisted in the year 1777, in Capt. Thomas Dewitt's Company in the Third New York Regiment commanded by Col. Peter Gansevoort for three years and reenlisted in the same company and Regt after the expiration of the term for during the war.

The regiment being reduced, it was transferred to the first New York Regt. commanded by Col Goshee VanSchaick and that he continued to serve in that regiment or corps in the service of the United States until the 8<sup>th</sup> day of June in the [year] 1783 when he was discharged from service in the State of New York, that he was in garrison at Fort Stanwix begin then the station of the Regt during the siege and relieved by the 1<sup>st</sup> New York Regt he was on the expedition with Genl Sullivan against the Indians, & at the taking [of] Lord Cornwallis and his Army in Virginia in the month of October 1781—and other skirmishes with the Indians, and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services his discharged being produced to the Judge and is now in existence. (Signed) Cornelius Blank

Sworn before me to and declared the day and year aforesaid. Jacob Eacker, Judge.