

Pension Application for Ephraim Bradt

W.16860 (Widow) Annatje
State of New York
County of Schenectada

On this twenty first day of January 1837, personally appeared before me, John Titus one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in & for said county Annatje (or Nancy) Bradt—a resident of the town of Rotterdam in the county of Schenectada—and State of New York, aged eighty-two years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress, passed July 4, 1836. That she is the widow of Ephraim Bradt who was a private in the war of the revolution and served in the Company of Captain Jellis J. Fonda (1) in the Regiment of Col. Abraham Wemple of the Schenectada District and in other companies for the time set forth in the annexed affidavits—

She further declares that she was married to the said Ephraim Bradt on or about the fifteenth day of March in the year seventeen hundred and seventy six (1776). That her husband the aforesaid Ephraim Bradt, died on the tenth day of May 1813 and that she has remained a widow ever since that period, as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereunto annexed. (Signed with her mark) Annatje Bradt.

Sworn to and subscribed, on the day and year above written, before me the said Judge; and I certify that said Annatje is unable to attend court by reason of bodily infirmity. John Titus.

And the said Annatje Bradt being further duly sworn saith that her maiden name was Annatje Van Dyk, that she was married to the said Ephraim Bradt at the dwelling house of the Rev'd Barent Vrooman, then pastor of the Reformed Dutch Church of Schenectada at the time above stated & that the persons who were present at the performance of the marriage ceremony viz, Hendrick Delmont & Jacamayntie Van Patten have long since departed this life— This Declarant further saith that the first child she had after her marriage was named Samuel, and that he was born in the beginning of the month of February (1777) after her marriage— That she has no record of her marriage now does she know whether any exists unless it be on the records of said Dutch Church—That owing to the great length of time that has elapsed since the war of the revolution she is unable to recollect or verify the different tours of service rendered by her said husband Ephraim Bradt but knows that he was called out to do military duty every year after their marriage during said war, except perhaps for the last two years— That he was often drafted to serve on long terms at Schoharie, Caughnawaga, Fort Plain, & other forts and that he was sometimes absent three or four months & on one occasion as long as nine or ten months. That if she remembers right he belonged the greater part of the time to the company of Captain Jellis J. Fonda. (2) (Signed with her mark) Annatje Bradt.

Subscribed and sworn as aforesaid before me. John Titus, Judge &c.

End Notes—W.16860—Ephraim Bradt

1. Jellis J. Fonda was the Captain of the First Company in Colonel Abraham Wemple's Second Company of Albany County Militia. On one of Captain Fonda's company Muster Rolls shows that Ephraim was on duty from April 23, 1779 to April 27, 1779 for a total of 5 days service. FROM: Revolutionary War Rolls 1775-1783, Series M-246, Roll 77, folder 170, National Archives, Washington, D.C.
2. Ephraim appears on Captain Abraham Oothout's Company Pay Receive Roll. He presented two certificates for a total of £2..2..8 that was owed to him.