

Pension Application for Thomas Burnet

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State of New York
Ontario County SS.

On this twenty Second day of October 1832, personally appears before David McNeil one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas for said County, Thomas Burnet a resident of Phelps in the County of Ontario and State of New York aged Eighty Four years, who being 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 7th, 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein state.

He enlisted a private in Captain Logan's Company of New York Minute Men, some time in the year 1775, and served Three months in the vicinity of New Windsor (then Ulster Count) New York at which place he resided at the time of his Enlistment—At the End of his term of service was verbally discharged.

That towards the end of the same year he again enlisted a private in Captain James Humphreys company of New York Militia in Col. James MCloughry's Regiment—resided at this time at New Windsor aforesaid—Served in said Company during th eyers 1775 and Six one year at different periods—during this period he services were performed part of the time in the vicinity of New Windsor aforesaid and a part of the time in the vicinity of Ramapo in the State of New Jersey that during the years 1777 and 1778 He enlisted a private in the company and regiment last mentioned, from New Windsor, aforesaid an[d] served during said two years at different times twelve months during his services in the year 1777. He was present at the storming of Fort Montgomery on the Hudson River in the State of New York, but the greater part of his services during this year were performed at New Windsor aforesaid during the last mentioned year 1778 the most of his time was spent in guarding against the enemy and Indians a long the line of the Hudson river at different points towards the close of this year, while on piquet guard in the mountains near Fort Montgomery on the Hudson River, he was attacked with a violent cold, which seated in his head, in consequence of which he was immediately taken blind, and has ever since remained so that at the end of each term of service he was verbally discharged.

That he has no documentary evidence of service, but is well acquainted with Oliver Humphrey whose certificate is hereto annexed who knew him while in the service—That he is also well acquainted with George Humphrey and Charles Humphrey – who will certify to his character for veracity and their belief of his having served in the Revolution.

That he was born in the year 1748 in the town of New Windsor, then Ulster County & State of New York in which town he resided after the war until about the year 1804. When he removed to Phelps County of Ontario & State of New York where he has since resided.

That he knows his age to be Eighty Four from memory and from the age of his brother which is on record—that he is now unable to write his name on account of blindness.

That he is in feeble health and altogether unable to attend a court of Record, to make his Declaration.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State. (Signed with his mark)
Thomas Burnet.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. David McNeil Judge of the County Courts.