

Pension Application for Ephraim Clark

W.18920 (Widow: Sarah) Ephraim Clark married Sarah Smith January 8, 1784. Ephraim died November 13, 1823. Ephraim served as a Corpl and Sergt.

Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the acts of Congress of the 7th July 1838 entitled "An act granting half pay and pension to certain widows" and of the act of March 3d 1843 granting pension to the widows of persons who served during the Revolutionary War.

State of New York

Onondaga County SS.

On this twentieth day of October 1843 personally appeared before me Amasa H. Jerome a judge of the Onondaga County Courts Sarah Clark a resident of Pompey in said county aged eighty four 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 acts of Congress passed July 7th 1838 entitled an act granting half pay and pension to certain widows and of the act of March 3 1843 granting pensions to the widows of persons who served during the Revolutionary War.

That she is widow of Ephraim Clark late a resident in Pompey who was a sergeant in Captain Daniel Griffing, company of the second New York Regiment in the year 1776 & 1777 and who served as this declarant believes at other periods of the Revolutionary War later than 1777, that she has heard him speak of Colonel Livingston and believes he served under him, but of the particular dates and length of his service in the Revolutionary War this declarant is not particularly informed at present tho' she has often heard her husband in his life time speak of them, and as well as she remembers she believes he served nearly two years, but from loss of memory and not having thought the subject of importance, she cannot state particularly.

That among the papers of her deceased husband she found the annexed four papers. No 1 a furlough, no 2 a discharge, no 3 a receipt no 4 a memorandum of stores.

She further declares that she was not married to the said Ephraim Clark on the eighth day of January (1784) one thousand seven hundred and eighty four in the town of Ridgefield in the County of Fairfield in the state of Connecticut by Esquire Benedict.

That he husband the aforesaid Ephraim Clark died on the thirteenth day of November one thousand eight hundred and twenty three in Pompey Onondaga County New York.

That she was not married to him prior to his having the service but the marriage took place previous to the first day of January 1794, viz at the time above stated and she further declares that she is still his widow. (Signed) Sara Clark

Taken subscribed & sworn this 20th day of October 1843 before me. Amasa H. Jerome, Judge of On. Co. Courts, Counselor in such court.