

### **Pension Application for Elias Crum**

R.2548 (Widow: Annatje. Annatje Crum, widow of above soldier received pension as former widow of Robert Martin, New York. W. File 27515.

State of New York

Montgomery County SS.

On this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two personally appears in open court, before the Court of Common Pleas of the County of Montgomery and State of New York now sitting, Elias Crum a resident of the Town of Johnstown in the county of Montgomery and State of New York, aged seventy one years, who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain eh benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated.

In the year 1779 this applicant drafted for six months, in the militia service, under Captain Daniel Broadhead, Lieutenant Eldad Rose, Ensign, John Alter, your applicant does not recollect the names of any of the field officers. Your applicant farther says that he resided at this time in MarbleTown Ulster County & State of New York. That your applicant went from this place under the aforesaid officers to Warsink in said county to prevent the Indians and British from murdering the inhabitants of said county your applicant says that he went out sometime in the month of March of that year but the day of the month he is unable to state and that he was discharged on the first part of January, following & your applicant received a written discharge, but that he has since lost the same, your applicant says that he was out a little longer than six months at the time.

Your applicant further says that he again in the year 1780 drafted for nine months, in the militia service, under Captain Abraham Capell and the same Lieutenant & Ensign, as above mentioned, that he resided at the place, aforesaid, that he does not recollect the names of any of the field officers, that he went to the same place as above mentioned and for the same purpose, your applicant went out in this year and at this time about the first of March and was discharged about the first of January following your applicant received discharge but has since lot it and never kept it.

Your applicant further states, that he again in the year 1781. Enlisted or drafted for nine months in the company of Captain John Hardenburgh, Lieutenant, Teunis VanWagener & Ensign Abraham VanNoe belonging to the militia regiment of Colonel Weisenfelt, that he your applicant entered the service at the time about the first of March and served the full time of nine months, and that he received no discharge but has lost it, that he went to the same place he went to during the other two terms and for the same purpose, to wit, to keep off the Indians, and guard the Frontiers of that county.

And your applicant farther says that he was born in the year 1781 as MarbleTown & County of Ulster & Sate of New York and has no record of his age.

And your applicant says that he has resided at Johnstown Montgomery County & State of New York and as the place where he was born since the Revolutionary War and at the other place or places has he resided since that time.

He is acquainted with a following persons residing in his neighborhood who can testify as to his character for truth and veracity, and their belief of his services as a soldier of the Revolution, to wit, Rev. Thomas Lope & Aaron Haring.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares his name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State.

And the applicant says that he volunteered into the militia service, in the month of February in the year 1777, in the company of Cap. Benjamin Cortwright, Lieut Pete Smith, Ensign Jacob Horenbeck, belonging to Levi Paulding Regiment that he went from Marbletown aforesaid to Hackensack New Jersey, and then went from place to place in that State and was out and served until the first day of January 1775, under the above named officers and was then verbally discharged, and served about eleven months at this time. Your applicant says that he again went out in the militia in the month of March in the year 1778. He went from the place aforesaid to about thirty miles distant in the same tour for it was all a wilderness at that time and went through that tour, under Cap Peter Smith, Lieut Richard was [?] & Ensign Jacob Harbeck belonging to Col. John Cantine's? Regiment and served at this time nine months. Subscribed & sworn to in open court the day & year aforesaid. (Signed with his mark) Elias Crum Geo D. Ferguson, Clerk

Letter in folder dated July 21, 1938, written in response to an inquiry.

The record of Robert Martin, pension claim W.27515, and at of Elias Crum, pension claim R.2549, are furnished herein, based upon their service in the Revolutionary War.

Robert Martin W.27515. The data found in this claim follow:

Robert Martin was the son of Alexander Martin; the date of Robert's birth and the name of his mother are not shown. At the time of the Revolutionary War, said Alexander Martin lived with his sons, Robert, Philip and Alexander on the south side of the Mohawk River in the Caughnawaga District which was incorporated later as Fulton and Montgomery Counties, New York State.

Robert Martin enlisted and served in private in the New York troops at different times, given as follows: first, with a detachment on the expedition to Sacondaga, New York where he was taken prisoner June 3, 1777, was carried to Canada and held several months, was released on parole by General Haldeman and returned home, length of his service at least six months; in 1778 he served nine months in

Captain John Breadbake's company of Rangers; in 1779 and 1780, in Captain John Bowman's and Garret Putnams, Companies, at least seven months; and in the fall of 1781, in Captain Odell's company and was in the battle of Johnstown.

Robert Martin married January 3, 1786, Annatje (called Anna) Philipse, or Phillips, daughter of Philip Philipse, or Phillips. Their marriage was recorded in the

Reformed Dutch Church of Caughnawaga, New York; the name of her mother is not shown.

The soldier lived on a farm which was afterwards in the town limits of Mohawk, New York. He died there in July 1798.

Annatje Martin, Robert Martin's widow, married in the fall of 1803, Elias Crum, her second husband. He died February 18, 1841.

Annatje Crum, the widow of said Elias, applied January 18, 1847 for the pension which was due on account of the service of her first husband, Robert Martin, in the Revolutionary War. Her claim was allowed. In 1847, she was aged eighty-three years, and resided in Johnstown, Montgomery County, New York. She applied April 16, 1855, for the bounty land which was due under the Act of March 3, 1855, on account of Robert Martin's service in the Revolutionary War. She was allowed 160 acres of bounty land on warrant #12718. One John J. (or I.) Denmark of Johnstown, New York, was present when said Annatje Crum made application for this bounty lands.

Philip Martin, Robert Martin's brother, served in the Revolutionary War also, was wounded in the battle of Johnstown, was wounded also previous to that time; said Philip Martin lived on the same farm after the death of his brother, and died there.

In 1847, Alexander Martin, the son of said Philip Martin, was a resident of Ephratah, Fulton County, New York, aged fifty-eight years and upwards. In 1847, James Phillips, was a resident of Mohawk, Fulton County, New York, aged sixty-seven years; he was the son of Harmanus Phillips. James Phillips stated then that he had lived within a few miles of Robert Martin and his wife, Annatje, and was well acquainted with her after her marriage to Elias Crum, also, after the death of said Elias Crum; he did not state his relationship to said Annatje.

Elias Crum—R.2549.

The date which follow are found in pension claim, R.2549, based upon service of Elias Crum in the Revolutionary War.

Elias Crum was born in the year 1761, in Marbletown, Ulster County, New York, where he was reared and lived at the time of the Revolutionary War. The names of his parents are not shown.

Elias Crum enlisted and served as private in the New York troops at different times, shown as follows: from February 1777, at least six months in Captain Benjamin Kortright's company, Colonel Levi Pawling's regiment; from March 1778, nine months in Captain Peter Smith's company in that same regiment; from March 1779, six months in Captain Daniel Broadhead's company in Colonel Levi Pawling's regiment; from March 1780, nine months in Captain Capell's company in said company, Colonel John Cantine's regiment, during which he was in the battle of Johnstown. During these years, he was engaged principally in the defense of the inhabitants of Ulster County against the Indians and British.

Elias Crum was allowed pension on his application extended September 21, 1832, at which time he resided in Johnstown, Montgomery County, New York. He stated that he had resided during his entire life in the towns of Marbletown and

Johnstown. The soldier died at his home there; the date of his death is shown in this claim as February 13, 1840, February 11, 1841, and the date of his funeral as February 16, 1840.

Elias Crum married September 1, 1902, (the date given in this claim) Annatje Martin, then the widow of Robert Martin; Robert Martin, her former husband, died May 25, 1798 (said date sworn to by Annatje Crum in 1853.)

Annatje Crum, the widow of Elias, applied February 3, 1853 for pension on account of service of Elias Crum in the Revolutionary War. Her claim was not allowed as she was then in receipt of pension on account of service of her former husband, Robert Martin, in the Revolutionary War. In September 1853, said Annatje gave her age as eighty-four years, but did not state the date and place of her birth, nor the names of her parents.

Elias Crum and his wife, Annatje had a child, "Lenah", who was baptized December 17, 1803; her baptism was recorded by the Pastor of the Reformed Cutch Church of Caughnawaga, New York.

In 1854, Elizabeth Drake, was a resident of Johnstown, New York, aged sixty-six years; she stated then that she was the eldest child of her mother, Annatje, and Robert Martin; she did not give the name of any other child, nor the name of her husband.

In 1850, one Rachel martin was present in Johnstown, New York, when Annatje Crum made an affidavit in regard to her pension; no relationship between the was stated.

In 1854, John J. (or I.) Denmark was a resident of Johnstown, New York, aged then thirty-nine years. He stated that he married one of the granddaughters of the "widow Crum", that they were married in February 1839, also, that he rode nine miles from his home to the funeral of Elias Crum "the following February the 16<sup>th</sup> day 1840". He did not state the name of his wife. In December 1855, he was present when Annatje Crum made affidavit in regard to her pension, at which time "X. Denmark" was present. In 1855, it was stated that all of Annatje Crum's children were deceased and that she was living with one of her granddaughters.

Reference was made in this claim to Alexander Martin and his sons, Robert and Philip, who served in the Revolutionary War.