

Pension Application for John Davis

S.44121 Private On October 20, 1775 appointed and commissioned as First Lieutenant in the Regiment of Militia in the County of Albany, John McCrea Colonel and Cornelius VanVeghten Lieut. Col.

State of New York

Montgomery County SS

Be it remembered that on the 22d day of April one thousand eight hundred and eighteen before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the County of Montgomery and State of New York personally appears John Davis aged seventy years resident in the town of Palatine in 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 an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land and Naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War.

That the said John Davis enlisted in Albany in the State of New York in the company commanded by Captain Pierson of the New York Line in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Marinus Willett on or about the fifteenth day of May 1780 for three years. That he continued to serve in said corps until on or about the twentieth day of May 1783 when he was honorably discharged from service at Fort Plain in the State of New York as a private soldier that he pouches and papers of said service has been casually lost or destroyed that he was at the Battle of Johnstown against Major Ross and the taking of Butler on the West Canada Creek all in the State of New York 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. (Signed with his mark) John Davis

Sworn to and declared before me the day and year aforesaid. James Hildreth

Letter in folder dated August 31, 1938, written in response to an inquiry.

The records of two soldier with name, John Davis, are furnished herein as found in claims for pension based upon their service in the Revolutionary War.

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John Davis enlisted March 25, 1775, on Long Island, New York, served as private in Captain Daniel Griffing's company, Colonel James Clinton's New York regiment, was in the battle of Saint Johns and was discharged January 1. He enlisted next in April, and served as private in the same company, Colonel Henry Livingston's New York regiment, until March 23. He enlisted May 15, 1777, served as private in Captain James Bonnell's company, Colonel Spencer's regiment as in the battles of Brandywine, Germantown, Monmouth, Springfield, and was transferred January 20, 1781 to Captain Henry Tiebout's company, Colonel VanShaick's 1st New York Regiment and continued to serve until June 3, 1783, when he was discharged.

The soldier was allowed pension on his application executed April 22, 1818 at which time he was a resident of Orange County, New York. In September, 1819, his address was Monroe, in said Orange County.

In 1880, John Davis gave his age sixty-five years, but he did not state the date and place of his birth nor the names of his parents, and daughters aged eleven and two years; he did not give any of their names nor the date of his marriage.

John Davis died February 27, 1834.

John Davis

Revolutionary War

John Davis enlisted in Albany, New York, May 15, 1780, served as private in Captain Peirson's company, Colonel Marinus Willett's New York regiment, was in the battle of Johnstown, and the "taking of Butler on West Canada Creek in New York State", and continued to serve until May 20, 1783, at which time he was discharged at Fort Plain, New York.

The soldier applied for pension April 22, 1818, at which time he resided in Palatine, Montgomery County, New York, aged about seventy years. The date and place of his birth and names of his parents are not shown. The records do not show that this John Davis ever received a pension.

John Davis made no reference to wife or children.