

Pension Application for Minard Dennis or Dinnis

W.16558 (Widow: Elizabeth) Minard died Feb 1807. Elizabeth died July 11, 1838. Surviving children: Clarissa Ann Boyd, Nancy Rich, Phebe McKennon, and Margaret Parsall. There couldn't be a deposition for Minard, he died before the pension law was passed, and there is no deposition in the folder for Elizabeth because she never applied for a widow's pension.

State and County of New York SS.

On this first day of December eighteen hundred and forty three, personally appeared before the Court of Common Pleas for the City and County of New York for the City and County aforesaid, now sitting being a Court of Record, Clarissa Ann Boyd, a resident of New York aforesaid, aged forty three years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain he benefit of the Provision made by the act of Congress, passed the 7th July 1838, testifies and says that she is one of the children and lawful heirs with Nancy Rich, Phebe McKennon and Margaret Parsall only surviving children of Minard Dennis and his wife Elizabeth at the time of the said Elizabeth, death, and all over twenty one years of age.

We the said children ask to be allowed what our mother the said Elizabeth would have been entitled to for the services of our father the said Minard in the revolutionary war, had she applied for a pension in her lifetime under the act aforesaid.

I further testify that I have been creditably informed and believe that said Minard was a soldier in the Revolutionary War in the New York line, and drew his bounty and sold the same to Elvin Purdy of Westchester County New York State. I further testify that the said Minard died in February eighteen hundred and seven and that the said Elizabeth never intermarried but remained the widow of the said Minard to the day of her death which was on the twelfth day of July eighteen hundred and thirty eight in the seventy third year of her age.

I further testify that I know of no Town, Church, Family or any other record of the said Minard and Elizabeth's marriage but have been creditably informed and believe, and as will appear by the proof hereunto annexed, that they were married in May Seventeen hundred and Eighty seven and that our mother's maiden name was Elizabeth Cronk. (Signed with her mark) Clarissa Ann Boyd

Sworn and subscribed on the day and yea first above written before me in open court. Andrew Warner, clerk