

**Pension Application for John Dop, Dops,  
Dobbs**

R.3018

Declaration. In order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

State of New York

Essex County SS.

On this twenty-sixth day of September A.D. 1832, personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas now sitting John Dop a resident of WestPort in the County of Essex and State of New York, aged seventy four years, the twenty seventh day of last March, who being first 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 7<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated, that he voluntarily enlisted in Captain Bains Company of Rangers under Lieutenant Jacob Simons in the elater part of the summer of AD 1776 for eighteen months in Johnstown then in the County of Albany in the State of New York but now Montgomery County from thence we marched to Stone Robby & there stationed and from that post Ranged out & in through the woods the most of the time through the eighteen months several times met with Torys & Indians, & exchanged some shots and at the end of the eighteen months was discharged discharge signed by Captain Bain which he lost soon after.

Secondly he volunteered & joined Captain Blankens Company in Colonel Gansvoort's Regiment at Fort Stanwix in a short time after being discharged from the eighteen months service no other regiments being on that post at that time he remained at that post during the siege & Colonel Gansevoort was about to give up the front when Colonel Willett arrive with a reinforcement but when Colonel Willet arrive[d] the siege had continued about fifteen days exchanging shots daily & continued about three or four days after Colonel Willet when precipitately having them implement with two brass field pieces & some mortars or cow[?] so through shells with remained near two years at fort Stanwix in the same regiment during which time made some improvements on the front & kept it in repair in the time of the siege a soldier while driving his [?] had the top of his head taken off by a shell he marched from fort Stanwix through Schenectada to Albany from Albany marched to Saratoga with a part of Colonel Gansevoort's Regiment & remained in Captain Blankin's Company a short time at Saratoga & then returned to Albany and remained there until discharged Colonel Gansevoort's Regiment belonged to the Continental Establishment in the New York line and after serving three years in the same company & Regiment received a discharge signed by Colonel Gansevoort.

He has for several years lost post made diligently engaging for someone that new [knew] of his service with out success that he ahs sent to the war office in Albany & got for answer that the rolls of Colonel Gansevoort Regiment was not there.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension [pension] roll of the agency of any state.

Questions asked by the Court.

1. Where and in what year were you born? A. In the Great Nine Partners in Dutchess [Dutchess] County and state of New York from the 21<sup>st</sup> day of March AD 1758.
2. Have you any record of your age and if so where is it. A. I am told I was Christened at Kinebeck in said Duches County & that my name was recorded [recorded] on the Church Records.
3. Where were you living when called into service where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live. A. When called into service lived in Johnstown and when left the service went to Rhinebeck from Rhinebeck moved to Sylvanus Bucks County Pennsylvania [Pennsylvania] from thence to Shorham in the State of Vermont then back to Rhinebeck from thence to Newpals [New Paltz] in New York from there to Kinter hook [Kinderhoof] in Columbia County from that to West Port last January in Essex County & State of New York where I now live.
4. How were you called into service where you drafted did you volunteer or were you substitute. A. Volunteered.
5. State the names of some of the Regular officers who were with the troops where have you served state continental and Militia Regiments where you recollect and the general circumstances at your service. A. Capt. Johnson, Lieutenant Gregg who was scalped Colonel Willett & Colonel Gansevort who commanded the Regiment he served in was at the siege at Fort Stanwix was on many scouts in the [?] of service generally once a fortnight helped repair the fort Stanwix at one time when volunteer & helped build a bridge at Ticonderoga.
6. Did you ever received discharge from the service and if so by whom was it given and what has become of it. A. He received two the first was given by Captain [Hain?] a Captain of Rangers. The second was given by Colonel Gansevoort and both are lost but cannot recollect the particulars for did not expect even to want them.
7. State the names of persons to home you are known in your present neighborhood & who can testify, as to your Character for veracity and their belief of your services a soldier of the Revolution. A. Hiram Chose & Samuel Pangbourn, Josiah Fisher &c John B. White & Joseph Bigelow. (Signed with his mark) John Dop

Sworn & Subscribed this 26<sup>th</sup> day of September 1832 in open Court before the Judge of the same court & before. Leonard Stow. Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas of the County of Essex.