

Pension Application for William Elliott

S.12861

State of Pennsylvania

Bradford County SS.

On this 28th day of July AD 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Orphan's Court of Bradford County being a court of Record now sitting William Elliott a resident of Rome Township in the County of Bradford a resident of Rome Township in the County of Bradford State of Pennsylvania aged eighty years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain he benefit of the act of Congress passed Jun e7, 1832.

That he enlisted in to the service of the United States in the year 1775 for the term of during the war as an artificer or furnaceman at Anercius in the State of New York and was employed as stated. Till the year 1781 when he was discharged. The said furnace belonged to Robert Livingston but was in the use & occupancy of the United States & the said Robert was appointed the manager of the same.

In the spring of 1777 in May he entered the military service of the United States in the company commanded by Capt. Hendrick Pulver in the regiment of Col. Henry Livingston and served in the same until the last of November following when he was discharged & immediately returned to the said Amcram Furnace & to his employment in the same. He was a resident of Ancram aforesaid when he enlisted on entering the military service as aforesaid he was marched from Ancram to Skenesborough where he was joined to the main army under Genl Schuyler & Lincoln who were there on a retreat.

The army continued to retreat from Skenesborough to Fort Edward and thence to Half Moon Point at the junction of the Hudson & Mohawk Rivers. The army marched from Half Moon Point to Saratoga, at the taking or surrendering of Burgoyne.

He had no written discharge from his service as furnace man, but he with others of the furnacemen who were engaged with him in the said Military service had a general written discharge but that is not now in his possession having as he believes been long since lost or destroyed.

He has no documentary evidence and he knows of no person, whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service.

He hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. (Signed) William Elliot

Sworn & subscribed in open court on this 28th day of July 1832. Witness my hand & the seal of said Court the day & year aforesaid. E.L. Goodrich, Clerk

Question by the court.

1. Where were you born. Ans. Livingston Manor Albany County, N.Y.
2. Have you any record of your age. Ans. My father has the record & I have taken it from that & put it into my bible which I have now.
3. Where did you live when called into service. Ans. In Livingston Manor.

4. Where have you lived since the Revolutionary War. Ans. Part of the time in the State of New York & the remainder in Wysax (now) Rowe in Bradford Co., Pa.
5. How were you called into service. Ans. I volunteered.
6. State the names of some of your Regular Officers. Ans. Col. Livingston & have stated in my declaration.
7. Have you ever receive[d] a discharge. Ans. I did receive a discharge or furlow Gen Gates it is now lost or destroyed.
8. State the names of persons to whom you are known in your neighborhood who can testify to your truth and veracity, &c. Ans. William Myer & Capt. Saml Woodruff.

Sworn & subscribed in open court July 28, 1832, E. L. Goodrich Clerk

Letter in folder dated September 8, 1925, written in response to an inquiry.

I have to advise you that from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim S.12861 it appears that William Elliott was born August 2, 1752 at Livingston Manor, Albany County, New York.

While a resident of Ancram, Livingston Manor, New York he served from May 1775 until May 1777 as artificer or furnacemen under Robert Livingston at Ancram Furnace.

He enlisted in May 1777, served seven months as private in Captain Hendrick Pulver's Company, Colonel Henry Livingston's New York Regiment and was in the second battle of Saratoga, immediately after which, he returned to the Ancram Furnace and served until 1781 under said Robert Livingston.

He was allowed pension on his application executed July 28, 1832 while a resident of Rome Township, Bradford County, Pennsylvania.

It is not stated whether he was ever married.