

Pension Application for William Faulkner

S.27774

We, the Subscribers, practicing Physicians & Surgeons of the County of Orange State of New York do hereby certify, that after a careful examination in the case of William Faulkner who is now on the Pension Roll of the State of New-York, we are of opinion that his Disability does still continue, viz.

Wound in the pit of the stomach at the lower end of the sternum and upon the right side of the same, a fissure in the left groin which has terminated in a large & [??] and a wound in each side.

And further, that the degree of Disability under which he labours at present is Total being no less than the original degree of Disability for which he was placed on the Pension Roll. Peter A. Millspaugh, Charles Fowler

Sworn and subscribed before me, this 15th day of January 1828. Isaac Jennings a Judge of Orange County Common Pleas.

Letter in folder dated December 15, 1939, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your letter in which you request information in regard to Captain William Faulkner who served from Ulster County, New York, and died December 11, 1831 near Walkill, New York.

The data which follow were obtained from the papers on file in pension claim S. 27774, based upon service and disability incurred in service in the Revolutionary War of William Falulkner, Junior.

William Faulkner, Junior, was born August 31, 1747. He lived in Wallkill, Ulster County (later Orange County), New York, "all his days".

William Faulkner, Junior, served during the Revolutionary War as lieutenant and quartermaster, no details of this service given, and as captain in Colonel James McClaughrey's New York regiment in the campaign of 1777, during which he was severely wounded October 6, 1777 at Fort Montgomery; he received bayonet wounds on his head, in the pit of his stomach, on each side and in his left groin. No reference was made to subsequent service.

On account of disability resulting from wounds in service, as sated above, he was allowed pension from December 1, 1777.

This officer continued to reside in Wallkill, New York, until his death on December 14, 1831.

The name of the wife of Captain William Faulkner, Junior, and the date of their marriage were not given; he was not survived by a widow. In 1852, the names of his surviving children were listed as follow: Martha Faulkner and Susannah McBride, both residents of Orange (formerly part of Ulster) County, New York; Priscilla Faulkner of Dundaff, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania; and John Faulkner who "had gone to parts unknown" (This statement was made by Martha Faulkner).

By Richard Varick & Richard Platt of the City of New York Esquires.

This is to certify that in Pursuance of the Law of the State of New York entitled "An act making Provision for Officers Soldiers & Seamen who have been disabled in the service of the United States passed the 22nd of April 1786 we have examined William Faulkner Junr of Wallkill in the County of Ulster [farmer?] & find that during the elate war he was a Captain in the Regiment of Ulster County Militia commanded by Colonel James McClaghry That during the Campaign of 1777 he was on Duty with a Company of Levies under his command at Fort Montgomery That on the sixth Day of October in the same Year when that garrison was attacked by the Enemy, under the Command of Sir Henry Clinton he received four wounds by the Enemy's Bayonets one thereof in his Head, one in each side & one in the Pitt of his Stomach & a bruise on the Testicles by Means of which last mentioned wound & Bruise he is rendered in some Measure incapable of obtaining his Livelihood by Labour; That on the last day of August last he was thirty nine Years of Age Wherefore in Pursuance of the Law aforesaid We do further certify that upon the Principles of the Act of Congress of the seventh Day of June 1785 the said William Faulkner is intituled to receive from the Treasurer of this State a Yearly Pension of Ninety Dollars from the first Day of December in the said Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & seventy seven if not before paid. Given under our Hands this twenty sixth Day of Febr'y 1787

Rich. Varick.

Rich. Platt.