

Pension Application for Jeremiah Frazer

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Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

State of New York

St. Lawrence County SS.

On the 25th day of September in the year 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Judges of the same Court of Common Pleas now sitting Jeremiah Frazer a resident of the town of Morristown in the county of St. Lawrence and State of New York aged about sixty nine 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 June 7, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated—

That he was born at a place called Scotch Plains in the State of New Jersey on the 20th day of January 1763 according to his best recollection but has no record of the same—

That at that place he resided till about thirteen years old, and there enlisted in the Continental service in Capt. David Palmer's Company in Col. Holmes Regiment he enlisted for six months—

That he went from there to Fort George on Lake George staid there about a month then went to St. John's in Canaday [Canada] by water, that he was at the siege of St. John's twenty one days they took St. Johns that General Philip Schuyler commanded the expiration – went from there to Montreal then to Quebec, arrived there some time in the winter of 1776, stayed there till the sixth day of May 1776.

That while he was at Montreal as before mentioned his six months service expired that he then and there enlisted again under the same captain into the same company for 6 months—

That he with his company returned from Quebec to Albany, arrived here sometime in May remained there two or three months then went to Johnstown remained there till about the first of September—

That while there his second term of service expired and then & there enlisted again during the war, in Capt. John Graham's company in the first Regiment of New Your Troops commanded by col. VanSchaick—

That he with the Regiment went to Fort George continued there through the succeeding winter and till Gen. Burgoyne came on the next season—they then evacuated Fort George and marched to Sandy Hill in Washington county, that his regiment was detached to go to Fort Stanwix remained there till late in the fall then retired to Schenectady into winter quarters where he remained till the first of April was then ordered to Valley Forge in Pennsylvania then joined the main American Army under Gen Washington that about the last of June the army marched in pursuit of the British Army which had left Philadelphia that the two armies met at Monmouth that he was in the battle.

After the battle his Regiment went back to Fort Stanwix, remained there till July following—

That on the 28 of the same month 24 men under Lieutenant William Scudder were sent out and he with the 24 men to cut some hay, that while out after hay the party were suprized [surprised] and taken prisoners except six men who were left died on the field, by a party of Indians commanded by a Frenchman—

That he was taken by the Indians to a place called Caghawaga in Lower Canada—that he was kept till the first of December following the rest of the prisoners were delivered up in a few days—was taken from there to Montreal and delivered up to the British—

Was carried to Quebec and kept imprisoned till the close of the war, that he was there released.

That he went from there to a place called bay of Chaleur below Quebec remained there three or four days—then returned back to Lake Champlain at Ticonderoga—remained there about three years, then returned to New Jersey spent one year returned to Lake Champlain and has lived in Occwell, Sherekon, Ferrisburgh, Britstol in the State of Vermont removed to [Champion?] in New York lived there three years one year at Chemung then to Kingston Upper Canada then in Ballston then to Morristown where he has resided the last four years.

That eh made application for a pension to the War Department. The past winter but was rejected and did not procure a pension and the reason assigned by the department was that he was returned on the roll of the Army as dead—

The he has no documentary evidence in his possession of his service, that he knows of no witness whose testimony he can procure except the Major Watson that he obtained the affidavit of said Watson of his services, whist affidavit deponent is informed is in the Department and supposes that to be sufficient or the best he can procure. That he has never received a written discharge from service.

And he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. (Signed) Jeremiah Frazer

Sworn 7 Subscribed the day and year aforesaid. A.C. Low, Clk