

Pension Application for Stephen Freeman

S.43573

State of New York

Washington County SS.

Stephen Freeman of the Town of Easton in the County of Washington and State of New York being duly sworn saith that on or about the last of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy-six at Still-Water in the State of New York aforesaid he enlisted into the Army of the United States to serve against the Common Enemy as a Private in what was called the years Service under Captain Job Wright of the first New York Regiment commanded by Goosen VanSchaick, Colonel.

That he served in that company and Regiment though the residue of that year for which time he enlisted and was discharged at Albany with the whole regiment by general dismissal on or about the first day of January one thousand seven hundred and seventy seven.

That during said service he was stationed at Fort George where and on the Lake he was principally employed during the service from whence he was marched to Albany and dismissed as aforesaid; but was engaged in no battles.

That he has no evidence in his power to procure of his service and discharge aforesaid but the testimony of his brother Elijah Freeman who was in the service with him and whose affidavit is [subscribed?]. That he is now and since his said service has been a resident Citizen of the United States and now lives in the Town of Easton aforesaid. That he is now fifty eight years of age and is destitute of property and by reason of his reduced circumstances in life needs the assistance of his country for support. (Signed) Stephen Freeman

Sworn this 8th day of May 1818 before me, Henry C. Martindale, one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the County of Washington.

Letter in folder dated December 17, 1923, written in response to an inquiry.

I have to advise you that from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim S.43573, it appears that Stephen Freeman enlisted at Stillwater, New York in March 1776, and served as a private in Captain Job Wright's Company, Colonel Goose VanSchaick's New York Regiment, until discharged January 1, 1777. In 1777 he served as a pilot under general Gates.

He was allowed pension on his application executed May 8, 1818, while a resident of Easton, Washington County, New York, at which time he was fifty-eight years old. He had a wife, name not stated, aged sixty years in 1820.

It is not stated whether they had any children.