

Pension Application for Edward Green

S.13208

State of New York

Alleghany County SS.

On this 23d day of August 1832, personally appeared before Asa S. Allen a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of the County of Allegany, Edward Green Esquire at his residence in the town of Alfred County and State aforesaid aged 72 years and 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, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following officers Captain Reuben Whitman Lieutenant Benjamin Gordon Colonel ____ Cook and Lieutenant Colonel ____ Morey in the Rhode Island State Troops by enlisting for the term of three months on or about the 26th day of September 1776, at Coventry in the State of Rhode Island and marched to the Island of Newport and remained there on duty by guarding the Shore until the British fleet sailed into the Bay and we retreated to Sivertown [Tiverton?] where we remained on duty in keeping guard until on or about the 12th day of January 1777, when he was dismissed—making a service of Three months and eighteen days according to his best recollection—

That he again entered the service of the United States under the following named officers Lieutenant Clark Parker, Captain Philip Graffin, Colonel John Soppin, General Cornwell, Brigade Rhode Island State Troops by enlisting for the Term of Nine months on or about the e26th day of May 1778, at Coventry in the State of Rhode Island marched to Sivertown and there remained on duty in keeping guard until Sullivan's Expedition on the Island of NewPort when he went in said Expedition and remained there on the duties of the army until the 29th day of August of the same year when he was in the action, and fought on the retreat four miles and a half as was said the refreshed and was sent by Colonel Flaury to drive the Hessians from a house between the lines of the Armies and exchanged about fifteen shots with them when they left the house and fled was not called on to any duty on the night of the 29th of August aforesaid on the morning of the 30th went to his station in the front and remained there until about 1 o'clock at night was said when we retreated from the Island to Sivertown and there remained on duty in building Barracks and guarding the shore until the 16th day of March 1779, when he was dismissed—making a service of Nine months and eighteen days according to his best recollection.

That he again entered the service of the United States under the following named officers Lieutenant James Miller, Captain Dayton does not recollect any colonel—in the Rhode Island State Troops by enlisting for five months on or about the 12th day of November 1782, at the town of Coventry in the State of Rhode Island—marched to Newport and remained there on duty in guarding the shores and collecting together was like implements about two months and then marched to Providence and remained there in guarding Aronels and standing sentinel until the 13th day of April 1783 when he was dismissed making a service according to his best recollection of Five months.

That he again entered the service of the United States under the following named officers Captain Asa Bennet, Major Carson in the Militia of the State of Rhode Island on or about the 20th of January 1777, at the town of Coventry in the State of Rhode Island as a substitute for one month for Aaron Budlong of the same place—marched to Greenwich Newtown to guard the shores and remained there on duty until on or about the 20th of February of the same year when he was dismissed making a service of one month according to his best recollection—

That he again entered the service of the United States under the following named officers Captain Jeremiah Austin and he thinks Colonel Nathaniel Brown in the Militia of the State of Rhode Island on or about the 6th day of March 1777, by being drafted at the town of Coventry in the State of Rhode Island and marched to Greenwich Newtown and there remained on duty in guarding the shore until the 6th day of April of the same year when he was dismissed making a service of one month according to his best recollection.—

That he again entered the service of the United States under the following named officers Captain Asa Bennet (thinks there was only one company called) in the Militia of the State of Rhode Island by being drafted on or about the 10th day of May 1777 at the town of Coventry in the State of Rhode Island and marched to Quit Neesut Neck and remained on duty in guarding the shores until on or about the 10th day of June of the same year when he was dismissed—making a service of one month according to his best recollection.—

That he again entered the service of the United States under the following named officers Captain William Roy, Ensign ___ Whitford in the Militia of the State of Rhode Island in what was called General Spencer's Expedition about the last of the month of October or the first of the month of November in the year 1777 as near as he can recollect by being Drafted for one Month in the town of Coventry State of Rhode Island marched to Sivertown and then to Fogland two or three times in order to go on to the Island at New Port but finally the expedition was given up and after serving out the month for which he was drafted was dismissed—

That he again entered the service of the United States in the Militia of the State of New York at a time when he went from Coventry aforesaid, to Petersburg in the State of New York, home to his father's house who had shortly before moved from Rhode Island to that place, by being drafted for the term of one month on or about the 12th day of August 1779—The officers names he cannot from the circumstance of their being Dutch marched to Albany and from thence to Schohairrie [Schoharie] and there kept guard in looking out for Indians which were expected to attack the inhabitants – remained there on duty as aforesaid until on or about the 12th day of September of the same year when he was dismissed—making a service of one month—

That he again entered the service of the United States under the following named officers—Captain Samuel Shaw, Colonel Henry K. VanRensselaer as a Volunteer in the New York State Militia for the term of one month in the latter part of October 1780 and marched immediately to Fort Edward and there remained in

scouting for British and Indians until the expiration of the month for which he volunteered when he was dismissed—

That he has no written discharge-no documentary evidence but has the affidavit of Mancer Green taken several years ago when he attempted to get a pension under Act 18 March 1818 but the said Mancer green is now dead and he can prove part of his services aforesaid by Perry Green, Edward J. Green and John Green—

That Richard Hull a clergyman of Alfred aforesaid and Jesse Whitford, Romanzo Brooks, of the same place can testify to his veracity and to their belief as to his being a soldier of the Revolution—General Sullivan, General LaFayette, Colonel Green, Major Flagg and General Glover he was acquainted with in his services as aforesaid.

That eh was born in the town fob Westerly in the State of Rhode Island on the 20th day of March 1760 has a Record of his age in his family Bible—Aged 16 years when he first entered the service—

He hereby relinquishes every claim 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.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. (Signed) Edward Green
Asa S. Allen Judge of Common Pleas of said County.

Letter in folder dated September 27, 1939, written in response to an inquiry.

The data which follow were obtained from the papers on file in pension claim, S.12308, based upon service of Edward Green in the Revolutionary War.

Edward Green, a son of Joseph Green, was born March 20, 1760 in Westerly, Rhode Island; the name of his mother was not given. Edward lived with his father in Coventry, Rhode Island, at the beginning of the Revolutionary War; his father moved from Coventry, sometime before the summer of 1779 to Petersburg, Rensselaer County, New York. Perry Green, Edward's brother, lived in Coventry at the time Edward entered service there.

Edward Green enlisted in September 1776 and served three months as private in Captain Reuben Whitman's company, Colonel Cook's Rhode Island regiment; during the year 1777, he served four tours of one month each under Captains Asa Bennett, Jeremiah Austin and William Ray, Colonels N. Brown and General Spencer; he enlisted about May 26, 1778, served as private in captain Philip Trafton's company, Colonel John Topham's Rhode Island regiment, was in the battle of Rhode Island, and on the night of August 29, exchanged shots with some of the enemy while engaged in routing them from a house between the lines of the Army, and continued in service until March 1779. He went to Petersburg, New York, in August 1779, where his father had moved; he volunteered there and served one month in the militia at Schoharie, and in October 1780, enlisted and served one month in Captain Samuel Shaw's company, Colonel Henry K. VanRensselaer's New York regiment. In 1781 and 1782, he guarded the arsenal at Providence, Rhode Island.

After the Revolutionary War, he resided in Petersburg, New York, for several years, moved from there to Brookfield, Madison County, New York, where he resided

ten or twelve years, moved there to Pinkney, Lewis County, New York, where he lived for six years, then moved to Alfred, Allegany County, New York.

Edward Green was allowed pension on his application executed August 23, 1832, at which time he resided in Alfred, New York. He died February 24, 1845.

The date and place of marriage of Edward Green and the name of his wife were not given.

The soldier was survived by children, whose names were given as follow: Jeremiah Green, Paris green, Perry green, Edward Green, Thomas Green, and Polly Witter, wife of Clark Witter.

In 1832, Perry Green, the soldier's brother, resided in Alfred, New York. George Green and Edward J. Green made affidavits in 1832 regarding the soldier's service in the Revolutionary War, but their relationship to him was not stated.

In 1819, one Mausir or Mansir Green made affidavit in regard to the service of Edward green, the pensioner, in Rensselaer County, New York; he was deceased at the time Edward Green made affidavit in regard to the service of Edward Green, the pensioner, in Rensselaer County, New York; he was deceased at the time Edward Green applied for pension in 1832, but no relationship between these two was stated.