

Pension Application for Hosea Hamilton

R.9974 (Ann Spencer, Former Widow) Hosea died in 1796 and about 1-2 years later married Israel Spencer who died 1815.

Extracts from the minutes of the Council of appointment of the State of New York. Dated May 28, 1778.

“Resolved that the officers of Colonel Henry Luddington’s Regiment be as follows viz.

Henry Luddington Colonel
Reuben Ferris Lieutenant Colonel
William Gee First Major
Ebenezer Robinson Second Major
Hosea Hamilton Adjutant &
Eleazer Baker QuarterMaster”

June 29, 1780.

“Resolved that Elijah Townsend be and he is hereby appointed Adjutant of the Regiment in Dutchess County commanded by Colonel Luddington in the room of Hosea Hamilton removed out of the beat.”

State of New York

City and County of New York SS.

Hannah Cock, of the said City, County and State, aged eighty six years, being duly sworn deposes and saith, that she is a cousin german [German] of Anna Spencer of Fairfield in the County of Herkimer and State aforesaid, aged about seventy seven years; that this deponent resided during the revolutionary war at Red Mills in the County of Dutchess and State aforesaid; that she was well acquainted with Hosea Hamilton who at that time resided at the same place, that in the month of February (this deponent cannot recollect the day) in the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy eight, the said Hosea Hamilton and Anna Spencer were married to each other, that the said marriage took place at the town of Stanwich in the State of Connecticut, and that this deponent was present, at the same, and saw the ceremony performed by a clergyman, whose name she cannot now recollect. And further this deponents saith not. (Signed with her mark) Hannah Cock

Subscribed and sworn the [?] day of October 188[?] before me the said affidavit having been first carefully read by me to the said deponent and I certify that the said deponent is a person of veracity and that her statement is entitled to credit. G. M. Speir, Commissioner of Deeds

Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the 3d section of the act of the 4th July 1836, and of the [lot] section fothe act of 3d March 1837.

State of New York

Herkimer County SS.

On this fifth day of October the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty seven personally appeared before the Court of Common Pleas of the said county of Herkimer then sitting, Anna Spencer, a resident of Fairfield in the said county and

State aged seventy seven years on the fifth day of March last, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July 4th 1836, and the act of explanatory of said act passed March 31, 1837.

That she was married to Hosea Hamilton, the of Red Mills in the County of Dutchess and State aforesaid who was an adjutant in the regiment of Col. Luddington in the line of the State of New York, who is the same person named as Hosea Hamilton, in the certificate of the Deputy Secretary of State hereto attached, and who, as this declarant believes, served as such adjutant for more than two years during the war of the revolution.

She further declares that she was married to the said Hosea Hamilton on the nineteenth day of February 1778, that her husband, the said Hosea Hamilton died on the seventh day of September 1796; that she was afterwards married to Israel Spence who died on the twentieth day of February 1815; and that ever since the death of the said Israel Spencer, she has been and still remains a widow, as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto attached. Ann Spencer

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year above written before in open court before me. John Dygert, Clerk of Herk Co.