

Pension Application for Jeremiah Horton

S.13429

State of New York

Orange County SS.

On this seventeenth day of September 1832 personally appeared before me one of the judges of the Court of Common Pleas it being a court of record Jeremiah Horton a resident of Blooming Grove in said county who 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 during the Revolutionary War under the following named officers & served has herein stated.

In July of the year 1776 he enlisted into a corps of five months men in the company commanded by Capt John Wood in Col. Nicholas Regiment & Gove George Clinton's Brigade which was composed of four regiments to wit Colonels Swartwout, Paulding, Nicholl & Thomas. The Brigade rendezvoused near Kings' Bridge about 15 miles from New York. When Washington retreated from New York to the White Plains Clinton's Brigade retreated to the same place. About the 25 of Decr following Col. Nicholas Regiment was verbally dismissed at Peekskill & this applicant returned home having fulfilled his term of 5 months.

In the year 1777 a requisition was made for soldiers & militia was classed and one of for every class was required for four months. This applicant entered and done duty as a corporal for the four months in Capt. John Minthorne's company in Col. Ellison's Regiment.

About the last of July or first of August the regiment was stationed at Fort Montgomery on the west side of the North River. Col. Dubois Regiment of standing troops was also at the same fort. Samuel Logan was a major in the said Regiment Capt. Moode had a company of Artillery on duty at the same time & place who were enlisted for three years or during the war. General James Clinton commanded the garrison. The fort was taken the 7 of October following by the British, a number of our regiment were killed & the prisoners were taken to New York where the great part died with the small pox.

In 1780 he again entered the army as a substitute for a class under the command of Capt Thomas McKinstry, first Lieut Samuel Utley 2d Lieut. Peter TenBrock in Col. Malcom's Regt for three months. The Regt assembled Fishkill went from thence to Stoney Point then to Dobb's ferry returned shortly after to West Point from thence to Albany then up the Mohawk River to Canajoharie & kept a small garrison at Stone Arabia.

Capt McKinstry's company was detached at this place to guard a drove of beef cattle & a number of Batteaux loaded with flour for the troops at Fort Stanwix now the flourishing village of Rome. The fort was commanded by Col. VanSchaick. While on this service Col. Malcom's Regt had a brush with a party of Indians & Tories commanded by the noted Col. Brandt. The enemy was repulsed with the loss of all

their plunder except horses. Two Indians were left dead on the ground, 30 white Tories were taken prisoners with little loss on our side.

After the company joined the Regt near Herkimer applicant was one of the guard that took the 30 prisoners to Goal in the City of Albany. The term of service expired about the 25 of October & the Regt was discharged by verbal orders at Albany on the first day of November & they were furnished with two days provision but no pay & left to get home 130 miles the best way they could.

When at home he was enrolled & done duty in the company (as a corporal) commanded by Capt Andrew Miller in Col. John Hathorn's Regiment of Militia. He served as a corporal in said company when required from the spring of 1777 to 1781 except the 3 months service in Col. Malcomb's Regt.

In 1781 he removed into the [?] of Capt Tuthill's company in Col. Woodhull's Regt where he did duty as a private to the conclusion of the war. The number of Tories of militia duty performed by him during the war is not within the reach of his memory as he kept no written memorandum depending as he did upon his officers not one of whom is in existence to his knowledge. He recollects three tours of service performed at Minisink on the Delaware River or above Carpenter's Point guarding the frontier from the Indians. Three tours at West Point about the time laboring on the fortifications and at least twenty tours of duty he performed over the mountains between Goshen & New York to [?] [Romerpough?] Paramus English neighborhood and the several papers & situations in that vicinity sometimes as a substitute for an older brother for all which services beside occasional alarms upon which he turned out he has never received any pay from government either state or general except for the five months service & from three to four dollars for one tour of militia service. The length of time of the several tours were from 9 to 23 days but what were called relief tours were for about 15 days.

He was born in Southold Suffolk County on Long Island Novr 12th 1759 & left there & removed to the town of Blooming Grove in the county of Orange in the winter of 1774 or 1775 where he resided when he entered the service & where he since & now resides. The record of his age he believes in the possession of his older brothers family in the County of Ontario in this State nearly 300 miles from here. He was called into the service as before related. The names of officers he has given in the preceding declaration.

He never received a written discharge nor so far as his recollection goes was it usual to grant written discharges for the kind of service performed by him.

He has no documentary evidence in his possession but refers to the affidavits of Esqr Howell & David Stevens for proof of part of his service & their belief of his further service & character for truth & veracity.

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

Sworn & subscribed the day & year aforesaid before me. H. W. Elliott.

Letter in folder dated December 12, 1924, written in response to an inquiry.

In response to your letter of the eighth instant, I have the honor to furnish you herewith, the records of the Revolutionary War pensioners named Horton and Thayer who served in the New York Troops.

Jeremiah Horton was born at Southold, New York, November 12, 1759.

He served as a private and corporal in the New York Troops, as follows:

From July 1776, for five months, in Captain John Wood's Company, Colonel Nichols' Regiment.

During 1777, for four months, in Captain John Minthorn's Company, Colonel Ellison's Regiment.

During 1780, for three months, in Captain Thomas McKinstry's Company, Colonel Malcolm's Regiment.

Between the spring of 1777 and 1781, at various times, whenever called upon, under Captains Bertholf, Sayres, Bailey, and Andrew Miller, in Colonel John Hathorn's Regiment.

From 1781 to the end of the war, whenever called upon, under Captains Tuthill and Marvin, in Colonel Woodhull's Regiment.

He was allowed pension on his application executed September 17, 1832, while living at Blooming Grove, New York. The date of his death is not on record. It is not stated whether he was married (S.13429)

Samuel Horton was born at Goshen, New York, March 4, 1763.

He served as a private in the New York Troops as follows:

From June 1778, for one month, in Captain Harding's company.

From the fall of 1778, for four months, in Captain Swazy's Company Colonel Tuston's Regiment.

In 1781, or 1782 for three months, in Captain McKinstry's Company.

He was allowed pension on his application executed November 20, 1832, while living in Canandaigua County, New York. Date of death is not on record. It is not stated whether he was married. (S.15172)

William Horton was born July 16, 1762, at Dobbs Ferry, New York.

He served as a private in the New York Troops, as follows:

From August 1777, for three months, in Captain Schermerhorn's Company, Colonel Wemples' Regiment.

From May, to December 1780, in Captain DuBois' Company, Colonel DuBois' Regiment.

From April to October 1781, in Captain Silas Gray's Company, Colonel John McKinstry's Regiment.

Three months, dates not stated, in Captain Gideon King's Company, Colonel Waterman's Regiment.

He also served in the Vermont Troops, from April 1782, for nine months as a Sergeant in Captain James Borden's Company under Major Gideon Bronson.

He was allowed pension on his application executed September 11, 1832, while living at Rome, New York. He died April 4, 1842. It is not stated whether he was married. (S.13446)

Jason Horton was born in Suffolk County, New York, December 18, 1758.

He served as a private in the New York Troops, as follows:

From 1776, whenever called out, at various times, amounting to two years in all, under Captains John Jackson, Swazy, Jones and Little, in Colonel Thuston's Regiment.

He was allowed pension on his application executed August 13, 1832, while living in Somerset County, New Jersey. He married Mary Ferry on March 4, 1783. He died December 28, 1837, at Somerville, New Jersey. (R.5241)

Benjamin Horton served as a private in the New York Troops as follows: from June 1776, for six months, in Captain Jonathan Bailey's Company, Colonel Drake's Regiment.

He was allowed pension on his application executed October 6, 1832, while living in Southold, New York, aged seventy-eight years. The date of his birth is not on record. He married Anna Goldsmith in June 1786. He died September 19, 1834. (R.5238)

Ezekiel Thayer was born July 4, 1757, in Bellingham, Massachusetts.

He served as a private in the New York Troops as follows:

From May 1776, for nine months, in Captain George Darrow's Company, Colonel VanDyck's Regiment.

From February 1777, for two months, in Captain Walkers Company.

He was allowed pension on his application executed August 43, 1832, while living at Kent, Connecticut. He died February 14, 1837. It is not stated whether he was married. (S.14690)

John Thayer served as a private in the New York Troops from 1775 for three years and four months, officers not stated.

He also served from 1781 to the close of the war as a matross in captain Matchin's Company, Colonel Lamb's Regiment of Continental Artillery.

He was allowed pension on his application executed April 3, 1818, while living at Hardwick, [Hartwick?] New York, aged sixty-two years. Dates of birth and death are not on record. It is not stated whether he was married. (S.42493)