

Pension Application for Robert Hunter

S.13513

B.L.Wt.993-200-Lieut. Issued Sept. 29, 1790.

Robert died May 7, 1835 in the City of New York, leaving one child, Mary C. Hewit, wife of Gideon Hewit. They live in Milwaukee County, State of Wisconsin.

State of New York

City and County of New York SS.

Robert Hunter of said City being further sworn in relation to his Revolutionary Services says that in the month of October 1775, he entered as a sergeant of Marines on board the Brig Andrew Doria, commanded by Captain Biddle and continued in the service in that capacity until April 1776.

That in the month of September 1777 he received an appointment as Ensign in Col. Malcom's Regiment (one of the sixteen additional Regiments), Lieutenant Col. Burr and Major Albert Pawling were officers of that Regiment in the capacity they are respectively named that he continued doing duty as Ensign in That Regiment until the month of June 1778 when he received an appointment of Lieutenant in the same regiment, and continued doing duty in the Regiment as Lieutenant until the Month of April 1779, when in consequence of the reorganization of the army he retired.

That in the same month of April 1779 he received from Governor Clinton an appointment of Captain in the New York State Regiment commanded by Lieut. Col. Albert Pawling and on the 20th day of October 1779 the appointment was sanctioned by the council of Appointments, and he received his commission bearing date of that day with rank from the April preceding the continued doing duty in that regiment from the month of April 1779 until about the month of January 1780 according to the best of deponents recollection he having no papers to refer to his commissions and documents relating to his services being lost or destroyed. (Signed) Bort. Hunter

Sworn this 23 day of October 1832 before me, R. Riker, Recorder of the City of New York.

Letter in folder dated march 24, 1936, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your letter in which you request the Revolutionary War record of Robert Hunter, who served in the New York Troops.

You are furnished herein the history of Robert Hunter, the data for which were obtained from the papers on file in Revolutionary War pension claim, S.13513, based upon the military service of that soldier in said war. The above noted Robert Hunter is the only soldier of that name who served from New York, that is found on the Revolutionary War records of this office.

The date and place of birth and the names of the parents of Robert Hunter are not shown.

In October, 1775, Robert Hunter entered on board the brig "Andrea Doria", Captain Biddle, and served as sergeant of marines until in April, 1776. He was in a severe engagement with the British frigate, "Glasgow". In September 1777, he was appointed ensign in Colonel William Malcolm's Regiment and served in that capacity

until June, 1778, when he was appointed lieutenant in the same regiment and served until April 1779; he was in the battles of Hackensack and Monmouth. In April, 1779, he was appointed captain in Colonel Albert Pawling's New York Regiment and served until January, 1780. He was also Assistant Commissary of Issues under Udey Hay in the Quartermaster Department and did occasional duty until the close of the Revolution. His place of residence at the time he entered the service was not shown.

He was allowed pension on his application executed July 18, 1832, while a resident of New York City.

He died in New York City May 7 or May 8, 1835.