

## **Pension Application for Henry Kittle**

S.10951

Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress of the 7<sup>th</sup> June 1832.

State of New York

Ulster County SS.

On the Eleventh day of September in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty two personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the County of Ulster aforesaid [aforesaid] now sitting and being a Court of Record came Henry Kittle a resident of the town of Wawarsing formerly Rochester in said County aged seventy five years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the of the Act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States in the Militia. His first campaign was in the City of New York he enlisted in the five months service under Captain John Hasbrouck, Colonel Hardenburgh was the acting Colonel in New York retreated from New York to Kings bridge then the British [British] took Fort Washington was taken, from thence went to White Plains General McDugal brigade had a skirmish with the British at White Plains this Deponent was not in the engagement but was near.

From White Plains went to Peekskill from thence crossed the Hudson and was verbally dismissed at Haverstraw. It was in the year 1776 according to the best recollection of this Deponent. This Deponent remained home but a short time when the Militia was called out into service. This Deponent acted as a substitute for his father in a company commanded by Captain Andres Bervier, Richard Brodhead Lieutenant who are both dead as this deponent is informed and believes that he went under said officers to a place then called Panamus [Paramus?] on the west side of the Hudson river thinks he was absent about one month when he was discharged verbally. The next winter enlisted in the [ten?] months service under Captain Benjamin Kortright and remained at Hackensack were [where] he was stationed during the whole of said town when he was verbally discharged then went to Fort Clinton and served three months in a class in the four months service under Captain John Hasbrouck does not recollect the name of the Lieutenant. Levi Paulding was Colonel and McCluck Lieutenant Colonel, then went under Captain Kortright as a substitute Mr. Glover was General and Graham Colonel went to Stillwater was at the taking of Burgoyne. Was in the Regiment that pursued him to Saratoga where he surrendered from thence went to Albany were [where] he was dismissed has not written discharge.

This deponent further saith that shortly after the above discharge he was in the service of the Militia Eight months and served out said time on the frontiers of Rochester (new Wawarsing) in the fort at Lochawark in said torn defending the country against the attack of the Indians he was then under the command of Captain Piercy does not recollect the names of his Lieutenant. Mr. Nottingham was an officer does not recollect his grade. The next season was engag'd for eight months as an

Indian Spye and served out said time John Hardenburgh was Captain Mr. Wysenvelt, Colonel Thomas, DeWitt Major, was exploring the country as a spy during said term of eight months went eight times from Rochester (now Wawarsing) to Delaware River to spie the Indians.

The next summer was a substitute in a class for eight months and served out said times and verbally discharged Levi DeWitt was Captain, Ostrander Lieutenant Albert Paulding Colonel and Elias VanBenschoten Major this service was rendered on the frontiers of Rochester (now Wawarsing) deponents father was killed by the Indians while he was defending his country and family—And this deponent further saith that in the month of August 1779 according to his recollection he was in a company as a substitute commanded by Captain Piercy Albert Pawling was Colonel. He left Rochester (now Wawarsing) at the times above stated to overtake Sullivan who was in pursuit of the Indians went to a place called (Oshwaga)on the Susquehannah River, where the Indians that Sullivan had left about three days previous.

They were then ordered to return to Marbletown from thence they went to Stony Point remained there a short time then proceeded to Pokeepsie in Dutchess County and was verbally discharged and was in the service in the last tour nine months, and this deponent saith that there is no record of his age in and Church Book or any family record to his knowledge that from information he was Born the seventh May 1757 the Book of the family that once contained the record was burnt with the house and its contents.

That he was born in the town of Rochester (now Wawarsing) has and did reside in said town at the commencement and before the Revolutionary War commenced, resided at said place when first called into service and is now a resident of said town.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever 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 and this deponent further states the Rev'd Mr. [Smith] a Clergyman in said Town as this deponent is informed and verily believes to be true it was in Skenectenady [Schenectady] and his affidavit could not proceed without trouble and inconvenience that the distance is not less than one hundred miles. (Signed with his mark) Henry Kittle

Sworn to and Subscribed the day and year aforesaid. A.D. Soper First Judge.