

Pension Application for John List

S.35523

State of Ohio

Pickaway County SS.

John List an inhabitant of the town of Circleville County of Pickaway & State of Ohio, being duly sworn according to the provisions of an act of the Congress of the United States approved by James Monroe President of the United States 18th March AD 1818 entitled "An Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" makes the following declaration (to wit), that he the said John was born at a place formerly called Livingston's manor, near the river Hudson in the State of New York.

That he the said John served as a substitute in the militia of New York and assisted in the capture of General Burgoyne and his army and soon after the said capture of the said General and his army, he this deponent enlisted as a private soldier into the company of Captain John Ten Broeck, in the first Regiment of infantry on Continental establishment in the New York line which regiment was commanded by G. VanSchaick – That this deponent enlisted for during the war, but cannot tell the day or months when he enlisted because he had been several months previous to his enlistment, in the army, nor can he at this length of time actually recollect, whether the army were in Albany (New York) or when he enlisted, or whether this deponent enlisted at the dwelling house of his said Captain who then resided in a place called Claverack on the river Hudson below Albany, as he was frequently with his captain who was a friend of his father's but this deponent distinctly states that from and after his said enlistment as aforesaid.

He this deponent continued to serve as a private soldier against the common enemy until he was honorably discharged at the conclusion of the revolutionary war, which took place at Snake Hill where the New England, New Jersey & New York troops lay in the spring of the year AD one thousand seven hundred & eighty three as he believes. That the troops were not all discharged at one time, but in the course of a few weeks. That his discharge and those of his regiment as he believes, contained a furlough on one side and a discharge on the other, until they should be called into service again. Which this deponent understood at the time and still believes it to be so, was done to prevent all mutiny and unpleasant consequences at the disbanding of the army who never had received any adequate compensation for their services—that soon after the conclusion of the said war this deponent removed from the State of New York to Pennsylvania and left his discharge with one Henry Platner who as deponent believes has been dead more than twenty years, and that deponent's discharge is no longer in existence and of course cannot be furnished to the Department of War.

That deponent served in the company & regiment aforesaid as a private soldier between two & three years—and he further adds that although New York raised in the forefront of the aforesaid war as many as five, or perhaps more Regiments for during the war, yet, by death &c they were reduced to only two regiments when deponent enlisted as aforesaid, one of said Regiments was then commanded by Goose (or some

surname) VanSchaick and the other was commanded by Col. Philip VanCourtlandt—and the said deponent further states under oath that my reason of his reduced circumstances In life, he is in need of assistance from his country for support—that deponent assisted in capturing Marquis Cornwallis and his army, was in many of the most trying scenes of that war and all the specie he ever received for his services was six French crowns at the head of Elk when the army was on its way to Yorktown;--

That he is old infirm & poor and that he cannot procure any other testimony but his own, on account of the great distance from the place where it might be procured together with his reduced circumstances, feeble health infirmities and years. He states that he was sixty six years of age on the twenty second day of March last past and further saith not. (Signed) John List.

William Seymour, one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in & for the county of Pickaway, State of Ohio. Subscribed and sworn May 20, 1818.