

Pension Application for Isaiah Mead

R.7075

Declaration. In order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress of the 7th of June 1832.

State of New York

Seneca County SS

On this seventh day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty four personally appeared in open court in the Court of Common Pleas in & for said County of Seneca, Isaiah Mead a resident of the town of Junius in said county aged seventy seven years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he enlisted in the militia of the state of New York in the fore part of the years one thousand eight hundred and seventy six at what was then called the "Nine Partners" in Dutchess County and State of New York; that he enlisted for nine months in Captain Brinton Paynes Company in a regiment which was according to Deponents best recollection commanded by Colonel Morris Graham, that he was marched first to New York—

And when the American Army evacuated that city he was stationed at first at Mamaroneck on Long Island Sound to guard the stores, that a party of British drove them off and the company was marched to White Plains, that he was at White Plains when the battle at that place was fought, that at the expiration of his said term of service he was honorably dismissed.

And this deponent further saith that afterwards and in the latter part of the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy seven this deponent again enlisted in the militia of said state for six months into a company commanded by Captain Benjamin Waters, that the said Company was attached to a regiment commanded as deponent believes by Colonel Humphrey, that his company was stationed at and near the White Plains during the whole term, no battle occurred that he remembers during this term of service, that he continued to serve during the whole period of his enlistment when he was again dismissed.

And this deponent further saith that afterwards and in the year one thousand seven hundred & seventy eight he again enlisted into the militia of the State of New York for six months. Deponent cannot state what time in the year he enlisted, but thinks it was the latter part of the summer or in the fall of that year. Deponent cannot state without certainly the name of his Colonel. The company was commanded as he thinks by Captain William Mead and he

has an impression that his Colonels name was Southerland, but cannot be positive.

Of this however he is positive that he served three terms of duty in the militia of New York during the revolutionary war and he is also positive that he served at each time until the end of his term & was honorably dismissed each time.

His memory is considerably impaired by age and its consequent diseases and he has no documentary evidence by which to refresh his recollection and he cannot be more particular than he has been in the above declaration and he does not know of any proof other than the affidavits of Asher Ford Patience Mead and Moses Harris whose affidavits are hereto annexed deponent.

Deponent well knew all the said person & has no doubt of the general accuracy of their statements. Although he is very confident that the term of service spoken of by said Harris as being only four months was six months.

Deponent has always had it on his mind that it was Six months and he yet believes it was for that term.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state.

Deponent was born in the year 1757 in the state of New York. He has no record of his age in his bible which is not at his house.

When called into service he lived in Dutchess County & State of New York. Since the revolutionary war he has lived in Washington County, State of New York until the last years he has lived in Junius, Seneca County where he now lives.

In each term of duty he enlisted.

He cannot state the names of regular officers except General Washington.

He well remembers having been under the command of General Clinton at the time Esopus was burned in the year 1777 and about that time the Corps, to which deponent was attached crossed the North River.

He is acquainted with Joseph Merrit a Clergyman and Henry Faucher of his neighbourhood who can testify to his character for veracity. (Sighed) Isaiah Mead

Sworn and Subscribed in open Court this (7) day of October in the year 1834. Seba Murphy Clk