

Pension Application for Ensign Mitchell

R.7271

Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of an act of Congress passed June 7th AD 1832.

The State of Ohio

Madison County SS.

On this 29th day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred thirty two personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas now sitting Ensign Mitchell a resident of the township of Pike in the County of Madison and State of Ohio aged seventy eight years how being first duly sworn on his oath makes the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th AD 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States and served under the following named officers Genl Skyler, [Schuyler] Colonel VanScoit [VanSchaick], Lieutenat Col. Gansvorth [Gansevoort], Company officers Captain Mills who died shortly after he entered the service, First Lieutenant Parsons, Second Lieutenant Molton, Ensign Hate, (Christian names not recollected).

That he entered the services in the month of October in the year seventeen hundred and seventy five by voluntary enlistment for the term of nine months or [nine year?] (That from age & infirmity he cannot distinctly recollect). That he served one term only. That he left the service at the expiration of time, that at the time he entered the service he resided within three miles of Skeensborough landing now called White Hall in the County of Washington and State of New York. That he resided at Skeenesborough landing from the time he entered the service untill the ensuing winter when the troops were marched from thence on the ice to Ticonderoga. That they were there stationed until the following spring, form thence they were marched to Lake George and there remained to the expiration of the time for which he entered the service.

That he obtained a discharge signed by Genl Skyler. That his discharge together with his entire stack of property was destroyed by fire at the towns of Kingsborough by the Indians and Tories.

That he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure (other than what he has obtained) who can testify to his services, all which is herewith subscribed.

1st Interrogatory—that he was born at a place called old [?Field] on the Connecticut River in the year seventeen hundred and fifty nine.

2nd Interrogatory. That he has no record of his age.

3d Interrogatory. That he resided when he entered the service within three miles of White Hall then called Skeensborough Landing in the State of New York. That since the Revolutionary War he lived five years at WhiteHall, from thence he removed to a place called Essex in the State of Vermont, that he resided there about five years – From thence he removed to a place called New Galloway in the State of New York resided there six or seven years. From thence to Lower Cameron? County in the State

of Pennsylvania, lived there six or seven years, from thence to the state of Ohio has lived in various places in said state—that he resided eight or ten years in the County of Champaign in said state—now resides in Madison County in said state where he has lived about eight years.

4th Interogatory—That he entered the service by voluntarily enrollment.

5th Interogory-That he can make no further statement than he has made in the body of his declaration to which he refers.

6th Interogatory-That he did receive a discharge from the service given and signed by Genl Skyler that the same was destroyed by fire at Kingsborough.

7th Interogator—That he is known to the following persons in the neighbourhood where he now resides. James H. Spain, [?] Hon. Henry Wormer, robert Hume, Michael Rosbury, Col. Philip Lewis, Fletcher W. Prott, Melving Neal, Henry Neal, E. Owen, John A. Davis, John Wood, Leve Paterick, M. G. Paterick, Col. John Moore, Genl N. Bond.

And this applicant herby every claim whatsoever 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.

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open court. (Signed with his mark) Ensign Mitchell. John Moore Clerk

Letter in folder dated July 15, 1938, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your letter in which you request information in regard to Ensign Mitchel who served in the Revolutionary War in Captain Mills' company, Colonel VanSchaick's New York regiment, died in Ohio.

The data furnished herein were obtained from papers on file in pension claim, R.7271, based on the service of Ensign Mitchell (Mitchell) in the Revolutionary War.

Ensign Mitchel was born 1759 at Old Deerfield on the Connecticut River. The names of his parents were not stated.

During the Revolutionary War Ensign Mitchel resided about three miles from Skeensborough Landing, New York. After the Revolution he moved to Essex, Vermont, where he lived five or seven years, lthen to the State of Pennsylvania, there six or seven years, thence to Ohio ;and lived in various places, eight or ten years in Champaign County.

Ensign Mitchel applied for pension September 29, 1832, at which time he was a resident of Pike Township, Madison County, Ohio, and alleged that he enlisted sometime in October, 1775, and served about nine months in Captain Mills' company in Colonel VanSchaick's New York Regiment.

The claim for pension was not allowed as proof of six months' service, as required by the pension law, was not furnished.

Claudius Mitchall and Newman Mitchell stated in 1859 in Madison County, Ohio, that they were hears [heirs] at law of the soldier, Ensign Mitchel or Mitchall. The degree of relationship to the soldier or to each other was not stated, nor was the date of death of the soldier shown.

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