

Pension Application for Nathaniel Norton

S.43084

B.L.Wt.1584-300-Capt.

Issued Sept 17, 1792. No Papers.

Schedule.

State of New York

Herkimer County SS.

On this fourth day of October 1820 personally appeared in open court, the same being a court of record, for the County of Herkimer aforesaid to wit the Court of Common Pleas in and for said County of October Term one thousand eight hundred and twenty – Nathaniel Norton aged seventy seven years, resident in Norway of said County of Herkimer who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare, that he served in the revolutionary war as follows:--That he was appointed a Lieutenant in the 2d New York Regiment commanded by Capt. James Clinton on the 1st day of March 1776 in the New York Line on the Continental Establishment & served until 21st Nov. 1776 when he was appointed a first Lieutenant in the 4th Regiment New York line in the Continental Establishment under Col. Henry B. Livingston & served until the spring 1778 when he received promotion to a Captaincy in said Regiment & served as such, until the month of Nov 1780 he was then suffered to retire as a supernumery officer.

He was at the Battle of Monmoth and in several small skirmishes, he has no better evidence of his service than his commission forwarded to the War Department on his first application. He has not children under his protection & is in Indigent circumstances requiring the aid of his country in diverse contributions for his support. He has no trade or occupation and is unable to labor.

And I do solemnly swear & Declare that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th day of march 1818; and that I have not, since that time, by gift, sale, or in any manner, disposed of my property, or any part thereof, with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress, entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged In the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war." Passed on the 18 day of March 1818; and that I have not, nor has any person in trust for me, any property or securities, contracts or debts, due to me; nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed, and by me subscribed, to wit,

Real Estate he has none of any description. [?] income, personal estate, as follows only one cow \$3.00 an old Dirk \$5, one Bible & old books \$5, 2 old coats \$3, three pr pantaloons 24/\$9. 1 Hat 4 books shoes & stockings 40/\$5, 3 shirts \$3, Hankkt \$1, overcoat \$5. Amount \$31.50.

& that the original declaration is dated the sixth day of April one thousand eight hundred and eighteen & that his Pention [sic] certificate is No. 9427.

Sworn to and declares on the 4th day of October before me, David Holt. (Signed)
Nathaniel Norton

Letter in folder dated August 23, 1933, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your letter of August 17, in which you have furnished information of Nathaniel Norton, whose record you desire.

The Revolutionary war record of Nathaniel Norton is given below as found in the papers on file in his claim for pension, S.43084, based upon his service in that war.

Nathaniel Norton entered the service in the year 1775, date and place not stated, and served as Lieutenant in captain Daniel Griffing's company, Colonel James Clinton's New York regiment until January 1776; he was appointed March 1, 1776, Lieutenant in Captain Daniel Griffing's company, Colonel James Clinton's New York regiment until January 1776; he was appointed March 1, 1776, Lieutenant in Captain Daniel Griffing's company, Colonel James Clinton's New York regiment and served until November 21, 1776, at which time he was commissioned 1st Lieutenant, Captain Sackett's company, Colonel Henry B. Livingston's 4th New York regiment and served until the spring, 1778, he was commissioned April 23, 1778, Captain of the 4th New York regiment, was in the battle of Monmouth and in several skirmishes, and served until November, 1780, at which time he left the service as a supernumerary officers.

He was allowed pension on his application executed April 6, 1818, at which time he resided in Norway, Herkimer County, New York. In 1820, he gave his age as seventy-seven years, the date and place of his birth and names of his parents not shown.

The soldier died October 7, 1837.

In 1849, the soldier's widow, Nancy, was eighty-seven years of age; her maiden name, and the date of their marriage are not shown. Nathaniel Norton, Jr., the son of Nathaniel Norton, died in 1843, survived by a child, Helen Norton, who resided in Copenhagen, Lewis County, New York in 1854.