

Pension Application for Samuel Pardy

W.5488 (Widow: Joanna)

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State of New York

County of Putnam SS.

On this thirteenth day of September in the year 1832 personally appeared before the Court of Common Pleas of the said county of Putnam Samuel Pardy a resident of the town of South East in the County of Putnam and State of New York aged seventy years in October last who being first duly sworn according to law on his oath makes the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated that in the month of March 1776 he enlisted for one year into a company commanded by Capt. Cornelius Steenrod in the regiment commanded by Alexander McDougall in the line of the State of New York, he enlisted in the town of Salem (now South Salem) in the County of Westchester & State of New York & served the period of said enlistment as follows to wit, that he was in and with the army under the immediate command of General Washington on York island when the British took possession of Long Island.

That he was marched with the army to White Plains and that he was engaged in the battle at White Plains. From thence he was marched to Peekskill to guard the stores collected for the army at that place and was while there in the month of December drafted on a secret service and taken into New Jersey where he was marched, counter marched & cross marched for thirteen days in succession for the purpose to concealing from the enemy and from the tories the real object of their destination (as it afterwards appeared to the declarant) which was the surprise & capture of the Hessian force at Trenton. That he was engaged in that expedition that he was one of the party who took up the bridge to prevent the escape of the Hessians and continued during the engagement to defend the passage.

That after this, say in January 1777, it was intimated that the army would go into winter quarters & the campaign being over he choose to return home and was accordingly discharged but had no written discharge.

That he again enlisted in said town of Salem about the first of April 1778 into a company commanded by Capt Richard Sackett in Col Morris Graham's Regiment for on hear, that he served in and about the lines in Westchester County untill the army put up for winter quarters which was about the first of January 1779 at which time he was discharged but that he had no written discharge.

That Thomas Wilson & William Rockwell of Ridgefield in Connecticut was knowing to some of the first part of the service being performed as may be seen by the affidavits herewith transmitted.

That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatsoever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

He further declares on his oath aforesaid in answer to the interrogatories propounded by the court that he was born in the town of Salem (Now South Salem) in the County of Westchester & state of New York and as he believe[s] in the year seventeen hundred & sixty one.

That he has no record of his age, he lived in said Salem untill about the close of the revolutionary war, then moved into North Salem, lived there about five years the remainder of the time he has lived in Southeast in said State of New York. That he considered the principal officer & commander in both cases was Genl Washington & that the service was performed as herein before stated that he never received a written discharge in either case. That the persons In his neighborhood who can testify as to his character for veracity & belief of services are Josiah F. Ellis & Ira White of said town Southeast. That as to part of the service the affidavits of Stephen Hullse will show as to his entering the service at one time.

That he has no other documentary evidence of his services & that he has no other evidence that he knows of but the affidavits hereunto annexed. (Signed) Samuel Pardy.

Sworn and subscribed in open court September 13th 1832. J. Morehouse, Clk