Pension Application for Jonathan Pendell

S.17013 State of New York County of Wayne SS.

On this first day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two, personally appeared in open Court, before the Judges of the court of Common Pleas of the said Court, before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the said County, now sitting Jonathan Pendell, a resident of the town of Sodus in the County of Wayne and State of New York, aged eighty three years and upwards, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of 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:

About the first of August, the day he does not recollect, in the year 1775, he enlisted under Lieut Thomas Lee of Paulding, into the New York State Troops (or Militia) at a place called Fredericksburgh or Paulding which he does not certainly know, as the two towns joined, and he lived near the line between them in the South part of Dutchess County State of New York for the term of five months and served the whole the said term under Captain Jacobus Rosecrantz of Fishkill Dutchess County aforesaid.

Does not recollect the name of the Colonel, but thinks the Lt. Cols name was VanCourtlandt of Albany State of New York—He was marched to the Barracks at Fort George, where he was kept two or three weeks, and was then sent to Fort Edward and employed in working on the Roads the greater part of the time. He was discharged in Albany by the Captain.

About the first of August, the day he does not recollect, in the year 1776, he enlisted at the same place where he first enlisted as above stated, into the State Troops of New York for five months, under William Pierce, Captain, thinks the Colonels name was Holmes, but is not certain Gabriel Manning was adjutant was marched to Kings Bridge and assisted in building Fort Independence. He & most of Capt. Pierce's Company went over to Long Island the next day after the Battle of Long Island and was with the Troops that retreated from there to New York during which time it was excessive rainy weather.

He was afterwards, marched to Kingsbridge again and then to White Plains—was at the latter place when the main battle was fought, the company in which he was standing in readiness, but was not called into the action soon after that action the enemy took fort Washington. He was sent across the River at New Windsor and then to a creek called Murdness, a little below New Windsor, where they sunk Chevaux-defreese's in the River to prevent the enemy's shipping from going up the River to prevent the enemy's shipping from going up the river—remained there until, his time was out, and while there the Hessians were taken prisoners at Trenton State of New Jersey and he was discharged at this place by the captain. On the 8th day of July in some year, which he does not recollect, he enlisted at the place where he first enlisted as before

stated, enlisted for one month and served the same fully out, under Capt. Hawlett or Hallett, or some similar name, in Col. Thomas Regiment—was marched to Bedford and employed in guarding the lines—was discharged by the Captain at Peekskill, during this months service Bedford was burned by the enemy.

In the latter part of the spring or in the fore part of the summer in some year, not now recollected, he enlisted at the same place where he first enlisted as herein before mentioned for the term of four months in the New York troops, under Capt. Thompson, whose given name is not now recollected by him, and well recollects that the Colonel's name was Wisenfelt. He served at Harverstraw and other places in guarding the lines and the inhabitants, between where the enemy and the Americans lay—about two or three weeks before the expiration of the four month in consequence of the sickness of his family he hired one John Reynolds, an Irish man, as a substitute and was discharged at Haverstraw the said John Pendels died more than fifteen years ago.

In the autumn of some year not now recollected by him he was called into service in the Militia on an alarm at a place where he first enlisted as herein before mentioned under Capt. William Pierce of Pawlingtown, and marched to Peekskill, and served for the term of three weeks and upwards as orderly sergeant—he started to go to Peekskill about the time the enemy burned some of the American Army barracks at that place.

In the Spring of some years, not now recollects by him, he volunteered on an alarm, to go to Danbury in Connecticut went to Ridgefield where he was put under a Captain whose name he does not nor recollect—he served one week or upwards—this was at the time the Continental Stores at Danbury were burned or destroyed by the enemy.

In the latter part of the summer in some year which he cannot now recollect, one half of the Militia were called out and he was among them at the same place where he first enlisted as herein before mentioned, and was marched to Fishkill—served six weeks under Capt. Wm. Pierce aforesaid, as QuarterMaster Sergeant, Jonathan Hunt was Quarter Master and a man by the name of Graham was Colonel – at the end of the six weeks the other half of the Militia came on and relieved the first half & he was discharged—He well recollects all the services herein stated, although he cannot recollect the years in which they were all performed—that during all the periods of service herein stated he served as a private, except the last term and the last service but two as before stated.

That he has no documentary evidence to prove his services herein before mentioned or any of them and that he knows of no person, whose testimony he can procure, who can testify to his said services or any of them.

To the Interrogatories required by the Regulations of the War Department to be propounded by the court to him, he the said Jonathan Pendell answers as follows—To Wit:

To the first interrogatory he answers that he was born in the town of Bolton in the county of Hartford in the State of Connecticut in the year 1749—on the 9th June.

To the second interrogatory he answers, that he has no record of his age, to his knowledge.

To the third interrogatory, he answers, that when he was called into service he lived in Fredericksburgh or Paulding, Dutchess County State of New York, but in which of them he cannot positively state, as they joined each other and he lived near the line between them.

Since the revolutionary war, he has lived in the town of Saratoga and County of Saratoga in the State of New York in the town of Pompey, Onondaga County same state, and in the town of Sodus County of Wayne in the same state now lives in the latter town.

To the fourth interrogatory, he answers, that he was called into service by enlisting the four first terms, volunteered the two next terms and was called out the last term—all as herein before stated.

To the fifth interrogatory, he answers that Major Logan was in command at Long Island in 1776 when he was there—General Parson commanded at White Plains—he believes they were both officers in the regular army, but is not certain—Col. Swartwout's Regiment of Militia was at Kingsbridge and White Plains in 1776 when he served—these are all the recollects—the particulars of his services are herein before stated.

To the sixth interrogatory he answers, that he never received any written discharge from service at any of the times he served.

To the seventh interrogatory he answers: that he never received any written discharge from service at any of the times he served.

To the Seventh interrogatory he answers, and states the names of the following periods, to whom his is known in his present neighborhood, and who can testify to his character for veracity, and there before of his services as a soldier of the Revolution. Viz: Doct Anson Andrews, William Dailey, Job Chase, Gabriel Rogers, Jacob Gridley, Daniel Paul, Abel Pease and Mathew Pullen.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever 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. (Signed with his mark) Jonathan Pendell

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open court. John S. Cuyler, Clerk

Letter in folder dated February 5, 1937, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your letter of recent date, in which you request the record of Jonathan Pendell, who served in the Revolutionary War from Dutchess County, New York.

You are furnished herein the record of the only soldier named Jonathan Pendell, under any spelling, found in the Revolutionary War records of this office. The data therein were obtained from pension claim, S. 17013, based upon his service in the Revolutionary War.

Jonathan Pendell was born July 9, 1749, in Bolton, Hartford County, Connecticut. The names of his parents are not given.

While residing in Paulding, Dutchess County, New York, Jonathan Pendell enlisted about August 1, 1775, and served five months as private in Captain Jacobus Rosekrans' company, Lieutenant Colonel VanCortlandt's New York regiment. enlisted about August 1, 1776, and served five months as private in Captain William Pierces' Company, Colonel Holmes' New York regiment, assisted in building Fort Independence, was in the retreat following the battle of Long Island, and at White Plains during the battle being held there in readiness to take part but was not called He volunteered in April, 1777, when Danbury, into action in that engagement. Connecticut, was burned and served "one week and upwards" as private, names of officers not stated. He enlisted in October, 1777, and served three weeks as orderly sergeant in Captain William Pierce's New York company. He volunteered July 8, 1779, marched to Bedford, New York, land served one month guarding the lines there as private in captain Hallett's company, Colonel Thomas' New York regiment. He enlisted in the spring or summer, year not stated, and served about three months one or two weeks as private in Captain Thompsons' company, Colonel Weisenfels' New York regiment, engaged in guarding the lines at Harvestraw and other places. He enlisted in the latter part of summer, year not given, and served six weeks as quartermaster sergeant in Captain William Pierce's company, Colonel Graham's New York regiment.

After the Revolution, the soldier resided in Saratoga, Saratoga County, Pompey in Onondaga County, then in Sodus in Wayne County, all in the State of New York.

Jonathan Pendell was allowed pension on his application executed October 1, 1832, at which time he was a resident of Sodus, New York, where he was still living in 1834.

The soldier married in 1770, place not stated, Mary _____, who was a little over fifteen years of age at the time of their marriage. The date and place of her birth and names of parents or maiden name are not shown.

No reference was made in the claim to children.