

### Pension Application for Jacob Phillips

S11238

Pension granted \$80.00 per annum.  
State of New York  
Montgomery County SS.

On the nineteenth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two personally appeared in Open Court, before the court of Common Pleas of the County of Montgomery, not sitting, Jacob Phillips, a resident of the Town of Root in the County of Montgomery and State of New York aged Eighty two years on the twentieth day of March last past, 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. In the year 1776, he enlisted for nine months in the State Troops of New York, that he went from Johnstown to German Flatts and from thence to Fort Stan Wix [Stanwix], (1) under Captain Jacob Shaver (2), John House Lieutenant & Ensign John Dunn, that this company joined Col. Dayton (3) who came from New Jersey, that he went out on the first of March at this time and stayed until the first day of January following, when his time was out and he was verbally discharged. Your applicant says that he again in the year 1777 he enlisted in the State troops, of New York, and went from Johnstown to the City of Albany and from thence to Fort Miller, from thence to Fort Edward and was at Saratoga at the time Burgoyne surrendered he served under Captain John Clute (4), the other officers of the company he does not recollect that this company belonged to Col. Christopher Yates (5), Regiment of which Christopher P. Yates (6) was the major. He enlisted for nine months at this time and served the full term of nine months. That he went out in the first part of March and was discharge on the first of January, following, and received no written discharge. Your applicant says that he again in the year 1778 on the 1<sup>st</sup> of March went out and enlisted in the same manner as aforesaid for nine months and went from the place aforesaid to West Point, under Captain Simon DeGraff (7), Lieutenant Nicholas Schermerhorn the other officer's names of the company he does not recollect, belonging to the same regiment aforesaid. That he was discharged on the first of January, following, and was verbally discharged. Your applicant says that he again in the year 1780, enlisted in the Line of New York and went out on the first of March, and went from the place aforesaid to Currys Town and from thence to Fort Plain and different other places in Tryon County and went under Captain Garret Putman (8), Lieut. Tour Putman(9), the other company officers he does not recollect, that this company belonged to Col. Willets (10) regiment. That he served the full terms of nine months as this time and was discharged on the first of January and your applicant says that he served the next year another nine months in the same company and under the same officers, as last above mentioned and was in the Battle fought at Johnstown (11), on the Hall Farm. And your applicant says that he served in all four years during the Revolution and says he has no documentary evidence your applicant says that he was born in Johnstown, Tryon County, now Montgomery in the year 1750 on the 20<sup>th</sup> of March. That he resided since the revolution in Montgomery County State of New York.

He is acquainted with the following persons in his neighborhood who can testify as to his character for truth and veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the revolution to wit: Abraham Van Horn, Robert S. Leonardson.

Her hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity and declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of the agency of any State. (Signed with his mark) Jacob Phillips

Sworn and Subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open court. Geo. D. Ferguson, Clerk

Letter in the pension folder dated August 30, 1938

Reference is made to your letter in which you request the Revolutionary War record of Jacob Phillips or Philipse who was born in the year 1750 in Johnstown, New York and died in 1835, in Root New York.

The data furnished herein were obtained from papers on file in claim for pension, S.11238, based upon service of Jacob Phillips in the War of the Revolution. The name is not show "Philipse".

Jacob Phillips was born March 20, 1750, in Johnstown, Tryon County, (later Montgomery County) New York. The names of his parents were not given.

While a resident of Johnstown, New York Jacob Phillips enlisted March 1, 1776, served nine months as private in Captain Jacob Shaver's New York company. He enlisted March 1, 1777, served nine months in Captain John Clute's company in Colonel Christopher Yates' New York regiment and was at the taking of Burgoyne. He enlisted March 1, 1778, served nine months in Captain Simon DeGraff's company in Colonel Christopher Yates' regiment. He enlisted March 1, 1780, served nine months in Captain Gerrit Putman's company in Colonel Marinus Willett's regiment. He served in 1781, nine months in Captain Gerrit Putnam's company in Colonel Marinus Willett's regiment and was in a battle at Johnstown.

The soldier, Jacob Phillips, was living in 1832 in Root, Montgomery County, New York. He was allowed pension on his application executed September 19, 1832, then a resident of Root, New York.

He died February 19, 1835.

The papers on file in this claim contain no discernible data in regard to family.

End Notes—Jacob Phillips or Phillipse, etc. A.11238

1. Fort Stanwix was built in 1758 and named after General John Stanwix, renamed Fort Schuyler in 1776 after the American Major General Philip Schuyler. This fort stood in what is the present day City of Rome, Oneida County, N.Y. The fort was reconstructed and is a National Park and is open to the public.
2. Captain Jacob W. Seeber not Shaver, in Colonel Cornelius D. Wynkoops' Fourth New York Continental Regiment. The other company officers were: First Lieutenant Joseph House, Second Lieutenant John

Seeber and Ensign John Dunn. Jacob is shown on the muster roll as enlisting on March 14, 1776. Major General Philip Schuyler Papers, New York Public Library.

3. Elias Dayton, Colonel of the Third New Jersey Continental Regiment. Captain Seeber's Company assisted Colonel Dayton's Regiment in building a fort in the present day Village of Herkimer, Herkimer County, N.Y. The fort was named Fort Dayton in honor of Colonel Dayton.
4. Captain Clute's Company of Batteauxmen which were part of the Quartermaster Department.
5. This Christopher Yates was from Schenectady and was part of the Quartermaster Department.
6. Christopher Yates of the Palatine District, Tryon County. Yates was appointed Major on November 21, 1776 in the First New York Continental Regiment not in the Quartermaster Department. He remained with the regiment until about January 1, 1778 whereupon he resigned as Major of the First New York.
7. According to Captain DeGraff's muster roll Jacob enlisted on April 19, 1778. He was still with the company on September 1, 1778. Revolutionary War Rolls 1775-1783, Series M-246, Roll 122, folder 78, National Archives, Washington, D.C.
8. Jacob (listed as Jacobus which is James) is listed as a private in Captain Garret Putman's in Colonel John Harper's Regiment of New York State Levies in 1780. The regiment was authorized to be raised and the officers were appointed on May 11, 1780. Revolutionary War Rolls 1775-1783, Series M-246, Roll 74, folder 112, National Archives, Washington D.C.
9. Lieutenant Victor Putman. Lieutenant Putman was assigned to Captain Isaac Bogart's Company in Colonel Harper's Regiment.
10. Jacob is listed as a private in Captain Putman's Company in 1781 in Colonel Marinus Willett's Regiment of New York State Levies. Lieutenant Putman was in this company in 1781. Revolutionary War Rolls 1775-1783, Series M-246, folder 173, National Archives, Washington D.C.
11. The Battle of Johnstown was fought on October 25, 1781.