

## **Pension Application for John Reins**

S.43909

State of New York, SS.

To the Hon. Richard Riker. Recorder of the City of New-York, and one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas, called the Mayor's Court of the City of New-York, which is a Court of Record of the State of New York.

The Declaration under Oath of John; Reins formerly a Seargeant engaged in the Service of the United States during the Revolutionary War, now a Citizen of the United States and resident of the City and County of New-York respectfully sheweth,

THAT the said John Reins enlisted sometime in the north of August 1780 in 2d Regt New York artillery under the command of Col. John Lamb Deponant also saith that he was at the Battles of Brandywine and Germantown and was taken Prisoner at the Battle of Germantown and sent to Philadelphia where he remained nine months, when he was transported to New York where he was exchanged at Elizabeth town after deponant's exchange he joined the Regt again Deponant proceeded to West Point where Deponant received an honourable Discharge from under the hands of Genl Washington in the year 1783. Deponent also saith that he lost his discharge some years since.

And the declaration further sheweth, that the said John Reins is not a citizen of the United States, resides in the city of New-York, and is, by reason of his reduced circumstances in life, in need of assistance from his country for support.

Therefore the said John Reins conceives himself entitled to the benefit of the Act of the Congress of the United States, entitled, "An Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land and Naval Service of the United States in the Revolutionary War," approved 18<sup>th</sup> March, 1818, and requests your Honor will examine into the truth of the matter aforesaid, certify and transmit the testimony in the case, and the proceedings had thereon, to the Honorable the Secretary of the Department of War, to the end that such relief may be had in the premises, as is by law in such case made and provided. And in support of the facts above set forth, the said John Reins refers to the affidavit of Charles VanDyck herein to annexed. (Signed) John Reins

City and County of New-York, ss, John Reins of the City and County of New-York, being duly sworn, saith, that the matters by him set forth in the foregoing Declaration, are in all respects just and true. (Signed) John Reins

Sworn, before me, this first day of April 2828, R. Riker. Recorder of the City of New York.