

Pension Application for Samuel Sly

S.23421. Sergeant, Captain Black, Col. Malcolm.

State of New York

County of Orange SS.

On the 18th day of April in the year 1818, before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the County of Orange, personally appears Samuel Sly aged sixty two years resident in the town of New Windsor in said County, who being by me first duly sworn according to said oath on his oath make the following declaration –in order to obtain the provisions made by the late 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” –That he the said Samuel Sly enlisted about the first of June in the year 1775 in a company commanded by Capt. John Nicholson in Col. James Clinton’s Regiment of the New York line—at New Windsor in the County of Ulster (then) to serve six months. That he served during the six months for which he enlisted in the said company and regiment—and was discharged at Albany in the State of New York—That about the first of June following he enlisted in a company commanded by Capt. William Faulkener in a Regiment commanded by Col. Humphrey of the New York Line—in General Scotts Brigade for six months – which time he served and was discharged at New Windsor aforesaid—That on the 12th day of April in the year 1777 he enlisted in a company commanded by Capt. James Black in a Regiment of the New York Line commanded by Col. William Malcom for three years, at Fort Montgomery. That he served in this Regiment and Company until the spring of the year 1779 when he was transferred to a Regiment of the New Jersey line commanded by Col. Oliver Spencer to a company commanded by Capt. William Bull.

That he served in this Regiment a part of the time in Capt. Bull’s company and a part of the time in a company commanded by Lieutenant John Orr, until the 12th day of April in the year 1780 when he was discharged at Mendham in New Jersey. His discharge was honorable and signed by Col. Spencer— That while in service he was in the army that captured St. John’s and Montreal under General Montgomery—was with the American Army on its retreat from Long Island across York Island—That he was with General Sullivan’s troops on his western expedition against the Indians—and in the Battle of Newtown under General Sullivan—and that he is now in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support; and that he served during three years above mentioned as a Serjeant. (Signed) Sam’l Sly

Sworn and declared before me the 18 day of April 1818. John Blake one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of Orange County.