

## **Pension Application for Tunis Tallman**

S.23017 Lt & Ensign  
State of New York  
Rockland County SS.

On this twenty seventh day of November in the year A.D. 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the court of Common Pleas, now sitting, Tunis Tallman, a resident of the town of Clarkstown, in the County of Rockland, aged eighty four years, the seventh day of October 1832, 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. That he held an Ensign Commission prior to the Revolutionary war and after war was declared he received an ensign's commission, signed by Nath'n Woodhull, President of the Provincial Congress in a company commanded by Capt. Smith in a Regiment commanded by Col'n Graham, and in the summer of the year 1776 the British ships of war came up the Hudson River, the said company was ordered out on actual duty, to guard along the west shoar [shore] of the Hudson river, in which capacity he served until the spring of the year 1778, when Captain Bell having received orders to enlist a Company of men for nine months[s] to go off on duty where they should from time to time received orders and he having received a commission signed by Governor Clinton appointing him first Lieut't in said company, having enlisted the complement of men, about the first of April 1778, they formed and first guarded along the Hudson River a short time, they then crossed the river and marched to White Plains where we lay sometime near the Continental troops then they received orders and recrossed the river and encamped at the New Bridge near Hackensack, where we lay until the British Army came here and we retreated to Paramus, where we lay some time and then we marched to Tappentown where [where] we lay until the first of January 1779 when the men were discharged and he returned home, soon after his arrival at home the aforesaid Capt again took the command of his company of Militia, they were ordered to guard along the river and to scout through the now county of Rckland and the county of Bergen in the State of New Jersey as the enemy [enemy] was frequently landing from the shipping and the British army the Refugees and hors [horse] thieves was almost continually marching through [through] the country of Bergen and now Rockland plundering the inhabitants of every thing that was of any value and there was but little force to oppose them except the Militia we had to pursue them from place to place, and after when we had routed one set, we heard of an other in other places and had to march where [where] they was, which kept us going from one place to an other that we cold be at home but a little while at a time and in that manner he served until the closose [close] of the war. The time that he was actually out on duty putting [putting] all the time together hie is now unable correctly to state, but feels confident that it exceeds two years.

That his commissions after he ceased to command a Company, he thought was of no use to him and through negligence are gone, which was all the documentary

evidence he had of his services, and all the positive proof he now can offer is som [some] of the men who served under him in the war. That he has from his ifancy [infancy] at his present residence in the town of Clarktown aforesaid.

That 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) Tunis Tallman.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open court. David Pye,  
Clerk