

Pension Application for Benjamin Van Ette or Van Etten

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State of New York

County of Schenectady SS

On this Seventeenth Day of April 1818, before me the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in & for the County of Schenectady, personally appears Benjamin Van Ette, lagged Sixty years, resident in the City & County of Schenectady & State of New York, who being by me first duly sworn, according to Law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late law 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 Benjamin Van Ette enlisted sometime in the month of February in the year 1776, in the then Town of Schenectady and State of New York, for the term of nine months, in the company commanded by Captain Garret S. Veeder of the Regiment of New York State Troops commanded by Colonel Wynkoop; that he continued to serve in the said corps, or in the service of the United States, untill the month of March in the Year 1777, when he was discharged from service, (having remained in service between Three & four months after the term for which he had enlisted expired) in the then town of Schenectady and State of New York. That he was not during this time of service in any battles, but was afterwards (having been drafted into service), in the battle of Saratoga, at the time General Burgoyne surrendered.

And that he is in reduced circumstances in life and stands in need of assistance from his country for support. That he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services, of his said services, except that hereunto annexed, having lost his discharge. (Signed with his mark) Benjamin VanEtten

Sworn to & Declared before me 17th day & year above written. John Yates, one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Schenectady.