

**Pension Application for Matthew Van Gilder or Van Guilder**

W.20103 (Widow: Ruth) Married August 1790. Matthew died 20 June 1824.

State of New York

Genesee County SS.

On this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April in the year 1818 before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the County of Genesee and State of New York personally appears Matthew Van Gilder aged sixty Six years resident in the said County of Genesee and 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 act of Congress entitled "An Pension Application for Joshua Van Fleet (Revolutionary War in NY to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary war". That the said Matthew Van Gilder enlisted in the Month of June in the year 1777 as a private in in [sic] the State of New York in the company commanded by Captain James Rosecrants in the second York Regiment Commanded by Colonel Lewis Debois of the New York line that he continued to serve in the said Corpse [Corps] on in the service of the United States until the seventh day of June in the year 1783 when he was discharged from service in West Point in the State of New York that he was in the battle of Fort Stanwix and the taking of Lord Cornwallis that he is in reduced circumstances and stand in need of assistance of his country for support and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services except his discharge herein to annexed. (Signed with his mark) Matthew VanGilder Witness, L F. Collins.

Sworn to and declares before me the day and year aforesaid. Ralph Parker, Judge.

Letter in folder dated August 24, 1912, written in response to an inquiry.

In response to your letter dated the 16<sup>th</sup> and received the 19<sup>th</sup> instant, you are advised that from the papers on file in this Bureau, it appears that Matthew Van Gilder, W. File No. 20,103, Rev War, enlisted in June, 1777, as Private in Captain James Rosecrantz' company, 2d New York regiment commanded by Colonels Louis Dubois and Philip Van Cortland, and was discharged June 7, 1783. He was in the battle of Stanwix and taking of Cornwallis. In 1820, he was about seventy years of age and a resident of Riga, Genesee County, New York.

He died June 20, 1824, in Chili, Monroe County, New York.

Richard Hallsted Sur. File No. 44,909, Rev. War, enlisted at Wilkes-Barre or Wyoming, Pennsylvania, in September, 1776, as Private in the Independent company commanded by Captains Robert Durkee and Simon Spalding of Colonel John Durkee's First Connecticut regiment, and was discharged November 25, 1781.

He was in the battles of Millstone, Boundbrook and Germantown.

Richard Hallsted, Ctf. No. 13,378, issued July 17, 1819, under the act of March 18, 1818, at the New York agency.

In 1820, he was fifty-nine years of age and a resident of Riga, Genesee County, New York.