

### **Pension Application for John C. Van Sice, Van Sites, Van Size**

S.42572

For the purpose of obtaining the benefits of an act entitled "An act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Army of the Revolution approved on the 15 day May 1828.

I John C. Vansice of the Town of Masonville in the County of Delaware in the State of New York do hereby declare that I was a soldier in the continental line of the Army of the Revolution, and that I entered as such in the month of July 1776 at Albany under Capt. Aaron Austin (1) in Col. Peter Gansevoort's Regiment, and that I served as such enlisted soldier until the end of the war, and was Duly discharged at Fort Washington. (2)

That at the time of my discharge I was attached to the Company of Capt. Sise (3) or Cise in the Regiment of Col. VanSchaick. (Signed) John C. VanSice.

Masonville 21 July 1828.

End Notes—S.42572—John C. Van Sice

1. John Enlisted as a private for during war on December 31, 1776 in Captain Aaron Aarson's Fifth Company in Colonel Gansevoort's Third New York Continental Regiment. John Deserted on February 21, 1780 and rejoined the regiment in April of 1780. FROM: Revolutionary War Rolls 1775-1783, Series M-246, Roll 69, folder 41, National Archives, Washington, D.C. While serving in the Third New York, John would have been in the Siege of Fort Schuyler [Fort Stanwix] in August of 1777 and in the Battle of Newtown on August 29, 1779, during the Sullivan-Clinton Campaign against the Indian Villages in western New York State in 1779.
2. This is an error as Fort Washington was in New York City. The Continental Army in New York State were encamped in June of 1783 at New Windsor near Newburgh, New York. John would have been discharged there in June.
3. On January 1, 1781, the First and Third New York Regiments were consolidated into a New First New York but remained under the command of Colonel Goose VanSchaick who was the senior colonel and Gansevoort retired from the Continental service. Since John had enlisted for during war, he was transferred along with Captain George Sytez into the First New York. John would have been in the Yorktown, Virginia, Campaign from September 28 to October 19, 1781. FROM: Revolutionary War Rolls 1775-1783, Series M-246, Roll 66, folder 14, National Archives, Washington, D.C. John's pension application was only 29 pp including the cover sheet and provided little information on his service. John on July 8, 1790 was awarded Lot 56 containing 600 acres in Township 23 which is Dryden. FROM: The Balloting Book and Other Documents Relating to Military Bounty lands, In The State of New York, Albany, 1825, Packard & Van Benthuysen, p. 34.