

Pension Application for Cornelius Waldron

W.16459 (Widow: Catharine) They married December 12, 1790. Cornelius died July 5, 1813. Catharine died September 24, 1839.

State of New York

County of Rensselaer SS

On the twent[y] Sixth day of October-Eighteen hundred and forty two. Personally appeared before me the undersigned Justice of the Peace of the town of Lansinburgh [Lansingburg?] in the County of Rensselaer Peter Waldron a resident of the town of Waterford in the County of Saratoga aged 75 years. Who being first duly sworn according to law, Testifies and says that he well remember of his brother Cornelius Waldron often being out on duty in the Revolutionary War, but by lapse of time cannot bring to mind all the different time when he entered or left the service but can well remember that in the General alarm in the year 1777 that my Farther [Father] and Brother the said Cornelius was called out on duty and took their line of march from the town of Scaticook aforesaid, according to my best recollection the last of June or first of July under Capt Walter W. Groesbeck in Colonel Knickerbockers Regiment of Militia for the north.

That after their return I often herd [heard] them tell of their being at Lake George at the time of the Surrender of Ticonderoga. I often after their return home, which was after the surrender of Burgoyne herd them rehears over many circumstances that took place on their retreat to Stillwater. To wit, that near Fort Ann they had a Skirmish with the British at the time Col. Vanrensselaer got wounded. That my brother Cornelius was with him. I often heard them tell that after the Engagement was over. My Father looked about for Cornelius and saw nothing of him, and that as he stooped down to a brook to drink the first he saw was my brother Cornelius between his legs to get to the water. I often heard them tell that while at the siege of Burgoyne that they took a Flay of Truce and Blindfolded him and took him to head quarters. I being younger than my brother I was always left at home to take care of the family. (Signed) Peter Waldron

Subscribed and sworn the day and year above written Andrew Follet, Justice of the peace.