

Pension Application for Amos Wheat

S.11756

State of New York

Orange County SS

On the twenty first day of August 1832 personally appeared before me Horace W. Elliot a Judge of Orange Common Pleas for Orange Courts the said Court being a court of record Amos Wheat a resident of the Town of Calhoun in the County of Orange and State of New York aged seventy four years 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 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated, that he first enlisted as a Corporal as a minute man at Deerpark in Orange County and State aforesaid, where he then lived and hath ever since lived in Capt Dennisons Company in Col McGlaughlans Regiment the Christian names of the Col or Captain he cannot recollect it was the first year of the war and the company was marched to Peenpack in Orange County and from thence to Nipanoch in Ulster County to protect the frontiers against the Indians, he served the six months out and then returned home, h was soon after called out in the same company of militia and was marched to Peenpack to Guard Ezekiel Gumaas house which was then a [?] and the inhabitants against the Indians he was appointed a sergeant and stayed about three months and returned and was soon after ordered our [?] in the same Regiment in [?] Benjamin Vail was Lieutenant and was marched to Hackensack New Jersey and stayed four months and then returned home and was immediately called to Fort Clinton in Orange County and stayed about four months as was taken sick and the Col. Gave him a furlow home, where he stayed several months and was again called out and went to Snake Hill in Orange County and stayed about two months, which was immediately after Fort Montgomery was taken by the British, he was again called out and marched to [Mamleacus?] in Ulster County in Capt John Burnets Company stayed eight or nine months on the frontiers against the Indians his whole services were twenty seven or twenty eight months, all in the Militia as above stated, he has no written or [?] evidence of his veracity and knows of only two men now living by whom he can prove any part of the same Hezekiah Woodward and Christian Roats both of Orange County he was born at Poughkeepsie in Dutchess County in the year 1758.

He has a record of his age in his Bible in his possession he hereby relinquishes every claim 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, he says he is unable to attend the court in person by reason of bodily infirmity he is subject to sudden ill turns the last eight or nine months of his service he was a [?] for one Tuthill but cannot tell his first name. (Signed) Amos Wheat.

Sworn & subscribed the 21 Augt 1832 before me. H. W. Elliott.

Letter dated April 9, 1940, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your request for the Revolutionary War record of Amos Wheat of Orange County, New York.

The data which follow were obtained from papers on file in claim for pension, S.11756, based upon service of Amos Wheat in the War of the Revolution.

Amos Wheat was born in the year 1758, in Poughkeepsie, Dutchess County, New York. The names of his parents were not given.

While a resident of Orange County, New York, Amos Wheat enlisted in 1776, served six months as corporal in Captain Dennison's Company, Colonel McGlaughlin's New York regiment, and marched to Ulster County to protect the frontiers from the Indians; served shortly afterwards, three months as sergeant in same company; and four months as sergeant in Captain Benjamin Vail's New York Company, and four months as sergeant in McGlaughlin's regiment; two months, "which was soon after Fort Montgomery was taken by the British", officers not stated; served in 1779, nine months as private in Captain John Burnet's company, Colonel Pawling's New York regiment, on the frontier against the Indians.

He was allowed pension on his application executed August 24, 1832, at which time he was a resident of "Calhouon", Orange County, New York.

The papers on file in this claim contain no discernible data in regard to the family of the soldier, Amos Wheat.