

Pension Application for Jeremiah Young

S.28958

State of New York

Albany County SS

On this 15th day of July A.D. 1833 personally appeared before me the undersigned a Judge of the County Courts of the County of Albany in the State aforesaid Jeremiah Young a resident of the town of Rensselaerville in the County of Albany in the State of New York aged 77 years on the 2d day of October last 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 7, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and deserved as herein stated.

He first entered the said service at the town of Sugerties [Saugerties] (then called Espous or Kingston) in the County of Ulster in the State of New York, in the month of May or June 1776 having been drafted and joined Capt DeWitt's Company and Colo Snyder's regiment of Militia and was marched under the command of Sergeant Peter Eigner to a place called Woodstock near the Catskill Mountain about 8 or 9 miles back from the Hudson's river and was there stationed and kept guard for the term of three months and was dismissed about the last of August or first of September 1776, and then returned home. He served at this time as a private soldier.

He again entered the said service in the month of September 1777 the militia having been called for, and marched to West Camp on the Hudsons river, and from there to Catskill where he staid a short time, then marched to Albany and there staid a short time then marched to Saratoga and was there engaged in putting up breastworks and fortifications and continued there untill after the surrender of Burgoyne in October 1777 and was then marched back to Albany and then down the river to Kingston, and was dismissed about the first of November 1777, having served at this time as a private soldier one month and two weeks. He belonged to Capt Snyders Company and Colo Snyder's regiment. He was marched to Saratoga, under the command of Lieut Backer who belonged to Capt Snyders Company.

He was again called into the said service about the middle or a little after of the month of November 1777 the militia having been called out and was marched in Capt. Snyders Company of Militia to a place called Rambought near NewBurgh and was there stationed and kept guard to prevent the depredations of the Indians and served as a private soldier one month, as was then dismissed and he returned home, thinks the whole regiment commanded by Colo Snyder was called out at this time and knows that the whole of the Capt Snyders Company were ordered out and marched to the place aforesaid under the command of Major Houghtailing—

He again entered the said service about the first of August 1778 having been drafted and joined Capt John DeWitts Company & Colo Snyders regiment and was immediately marched to a place called "Great Shandakin" a few miles back and west of of the mountains, called the "Blue Mountains" and was there stationed and did sentinel duty and kept guard to prevent incursions by the Indians untill about the first

od December 1778 and was then dismissed and he returned home. He served at this time as a Corporal, for the term of Four months.

He again entered the said service in the summer of 1779 having been classes and he went for his class and joined first Capt Osterouts Company and was changed and put under the command of Capt Tobias Myers Company and was marched to Woodstock and was there stationed and kept guard and served as a private soldier one month and was then dismissed and he returned home.

He again entered the said service, in the summer or towards the fall of the year 1780 and marched to Woodstock aforesaid under the command of Capt Hummil and was there stationed & kept guard one month Capt Hummel's Company was called a Company of Rangers—and he served as a private soldier.

He also served as a private soldier in Capt Hummils company in the summer at a place under the "Blue Mountains" selected to guard against the Indians about three miles forma Fort where the Militia were usually stationed, and there did Sentinel duty and kept guard.

He was again called out into the said service in the fall of the year 1781 and joined Capt Hummel's Company and was marched to and stationed at the place aforesaid and kept guard one month and was then dismissed and returned home.

He was in the actual service of the United States in the Revolutionary War and served at different periods in and embodied corps, as a private soldier nine months and two weeks and as a corporal four months and for such service he claims a pension.

He was also during the years aforesaid and at almost every season of the said years called out for short periods to serve in the militia besides the terms above enumerated, and served in the aggregate altogether more than he has above stated, but his recollection has become poor and he cannot possibly state the length of each and every time he was called into the said service he was so frequently called upon, with any kind of precision except as above stated, and must be satisfied with an allowance for only a small part of his services.

He was born in the 2d day of October A.D. 1755 at a place then called [Hiskdtown?] the town of Catskill in the County of Green in the State of New York.

He has a record of his age now in his house, and there is a record of his age on the records of the Dutch Church in the said town of Catskill where he was Baptized.

He resided at the time he was called into the said Service at the town of Saugerties aforesaid in the County of Ulster in the State of New York and continued to reside there untill in the Spring of the year 1782 and then removed across the Hudsons River to a place called Redhook [Red Hook] in the county of Dutchess where he resided one year, and then removed back to Saugerties where he lived three years, and then removed to his present place of residence in the said town of Rensselaerville where he has resided ever since and for the last 47 years.

He was called into the said service at the different periods as he has above stated.

He saw and knew Genl Gates, Colo Arnold, and others whose names he does not now recollect who were with the troops where he served, but he cannot recollect what continental or militia regiments he served with except the one he belonged to.

He never received a written discharge as it was uncommon for the militia to receive discharges in writing.

He is known to John Rider Esqr, Epenetus Spridg, Henry C. Burhans, Benjamin Paler, Uriah Young, Stephen Spridg, Abraham Feyer, Timothy R. Potter, James T. Gorman, Aaron Winne, Samuel Potter and others who reside in his present neighbourhood and who can testify to his character for veracity, and their belief of his services as a soldier of the revolution.

The religious part of the neighbourhood where he resides are very generally "Quakers" or "Friends" and there is no clergyman residing in his vicinity and he knows of no clergyman that he can procure to certify in his case.

He is verry [very] old and infirm, is troubled with the Rheumatism and has had his arm broke by the kick of a horse recently and is subject to a dizziness in his head which entirely disables him from travelling—He resides in the remote part of the town of Rensselaerville in the Southwest Corner of the County of Albany and 33 miles from the City of Albany and where the courts of record for the said county are held and is wholly unable to travel that distance to attend the court.

He has no documentary evidence of his services nor can he find or procure any other witnesses to prove his series other than the person who has made an affidavit hereto annexed, he was ascertained that the persons who well knew of all his services in the Revolutionary War are dead, and that any other witnesses than those he as obtained cannot be had or found.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever 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. (Signed) Jeremiah Young

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid before me. J. B. Moore, Judge of Albany County Courts.

Letter in folder dated December 6, 1929, written in response to an inquiry.

I advise you from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim, S.28958, it appears that Jeremiah Young was born October 2, 1755, in Kiskaton (now Catskill) Greene County, New York. His age was recorded in the Dutch Church of Catskill where he was baptized.

While residing in Saugerties, Ulster County, New York, he enlisted in May or June, 1776, and served in the years 1776, 1777, 1778, 1779, 1780 and 1781, in all nine months and two weeks as a private and four months as a corporal under Captains DeWitt, Snyder, John DeWitt, Osterhout, Tobias Myers and Hummil or Hummill, and Colonel Snyder in the New Yorks [sic] Troops and was at the surrender of Burgoyne.

In the spring of 1782, he moved from Saugerties to Redhook, Dutchess County, New York, where he lived for one year, then moved back to Saugerties and lived three

years, and then moved to Rensselaerville, Albany County, New York, where he resided when he was allowed pension on his application executed July 15, 1833.

He died February 18, 1851.

It is not stated that soldier was ever married.