Pension Application for Henry Deck

S.8314 (Widow: Hannah)

Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

State of New York Herkimer County SS.

On this Eleventh day of October one thousand eight hundred and thirty two personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the County of Herkimer, now sitting Hannah Deck the widow and relict of Henry Deck dec'd late of the town of Stark in the County of Herkimer, and State of New York—aged fifty nine years, who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on her oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

That this deponent married the said Henry Deck dec'd on the twenty ninth day of July 1792 at the town of Canajoharrie in the present County of Montgomery in the State of New York, that she continued to live and reside with the said Henry Deck dec'd from the time of her marriage aforesaid, until the twentieth day of September 1832, when he departed this life at the town of Stark in the County of Herkimer aforesaid—leaving the deponent his widow, and leaving also nine children.

And this deponent further says, that she was informed by the said Henry Deck dec'd in his life time, and this deponent has frequently heard him talk of the same, that he was a soldier in the revolutionary war, that he enlisted in the Regiment commanded by Col. Marinus Willett (1) that he served about two years and three months—and that he was also a minute man and in the militia service and that she believes the said Henry Deck never drew a pension in his life time and that he was not on the pension list roll of the agency of any state—that the said Henry Deck also informed her that he was out with Genl. Sullivan when he went through the western part of the State of New York. (Signed with her mark) Hannah Dick

Sworn in open court Oct 11th 1832. Julius C. Nelson, Clerk

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On the eleventh day of October 1832, personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the County of Herkimer now sitting John Lepper of the Town of Minden Montgomery County State of New York who being duly sworn deposes and saith that he has been personally acquainted with Henry Deck in the war of the Revolution and ever since that and this deponent & Henry Deck enlisted at Fort Plank then Tryon County now County of Montgomery Town of Minden under Capt. Davis (2) in the service of the United States in the war of the revolution some time early in the spring of the year 1779 this deponent and said Henry Deck enlisted into the aforesaid service for the term of nine months by the aforesaid Capt. Davis and was put in the regiment commanded by Colonel Frederick Wisenfeldt he this deponent further saith that he and said Henry Deck left Fort Plank early in the spring and proceeded on our march under the command of Capt. Davis and Colonel Wisenfeldt in the western parts of the State of New York we proceeded on till we arrived at Otsego at a place now called Cooperstown there was holden about three weeks was imployed in throwing a dam across the crick at the foot of the lake in order the dam said lake to procure water to assist us in carring our boats down the Susquehannah river we proceeded down the river with a great number of boats or more three days after we let the water go we then consisted of several regiments and was commanded by General Clinton (3) this deponent further saith that after arriving at Tioga Point where we were joined by General Sullivan thence we proceeded to Newtown (4) thence thru the western parts of the State of New York thence back to Wioming, Eastown in Pennsylvania thence to New Jersey place called Morristown there this deponent and said Henry Deck received our discharge said Deck was discharged by Colonel Wisenfeldt as this deponent thinks, but further saith that he this deponent and said Henry Deck left Fort Plank early in the spring of 1779 together and remained together in one mess thru the western parts of the State of New York, Pennsylvania and New Jersey and was present when he received his discharge in Morristown some time in the winter of 1780 this ended his term of enlistment of Nine months thence he proceeded home and further saith not. (Signed with his mark) John Lepper

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- 1. Henry enlisted May 22, 1781 in Captain Lawrence Gros' company in Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant Marinus Willett's Regiment of New York State Levies. He was discharged on December 31, 1781. FROM: Revolutionary War Rolls 1775-1783, Series N-246, Roll 78, Folder 173, National Archives, Washington, D.C. In April of 1782, Henry enlisted in Captain Abner French's Company in Colonel Willett's Regiment. In November, Captain French retired from the service and Lieutenant Jellis A. Fonda was appointed captain in his place. Henry was discharged on December 31, 1782.
- 2. Henry enlisted as a private in Captain John Davis' Company which was the Second Company in Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant Frederick Weisenfel's Fourth New York Continental Regiment. He was

- discharged on January 1, 1780. FROM: Revolutionary War Rolls 1775-1783, Series M-246, Roll 70, Folder 49, National Archives, Washington, D.C.
- 3. Brigadier General James Clinton joined forces with Major General John Sullivan and together they destroyed Iroquois Villages in the western part of New York.
- 4. Newtown now present day Elmira, New York was the only battle of this campaign was fought the battle took place on August 29, 1779.