

Pension Application for Jacob Dusler, Duesler, Dussler, Tuesler, Tussler

R.3165 (Widow: Mathalain or Mathlin)

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State of Ohio

Sandusky County SS.

On this 17 day of April 1855, personally appeared before me Jas. R. Francisco a Justice of the Peace in and for said County and State aforesaid, Mathlin Duesler aged 82 years a resident of Sandusky County in the State of Ohio, who being duly sworn according to law, declares that she is the widow of Jacob Dussler, deceas't who was a drummer in the company commanded by Captain Joseph House in the War of the Revolution. Declared by the United States on the 4th of July 1776. That he was drafted at Montgomery County in the State of New York, declarant further states that she must depend upon the Comptroller's Certificate as to the amount of time her said husband served as aforesaid.

She further states that she was married to the said Jacob Dussler in Montgomery County in the State of New York, on the third day of May 1790 by one Philip Krutz, a minister of the gospel and that her name before her said marriage was Mathlin Sitz. That her said husband died at Ontario County in the Town of Seneca in the State of New York on the 12th day of September A.D. 1828. And that she is now a widow.

She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the bounty land she may be entitled to under the act approved March 3d 1855. Wm. Dussler of Sandusky County Ohio, who is hereby authorized to prosecute this claim and to serve a warrant. (Signed with her mark) Mathlin Dussler.

State of Ohio

Seneca County SS.

On this Twenty Eighth day of May AD one thousand eight hundred and fifty one personally appeared before me William Toll one of the associate Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the County and State aforesaid Mathalain Dusler a resident of the township of Reed in said County of Seneca and State of Ohio aged seventy nine years on the twelfth day of August next who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July 7th 1838 entitled "An Act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows" that she is the widow of Jacob Dusler or Duesler who was a Drummer in the Militia, State Troops or Continental (of which she is not positively certain) of the State of New York during the Revolution and when he entered the service resided in the township of Minden in the county of Montgomery in the State of New York. That in the year 1779 he volunteered or enlisted into the company commanded by Captain Joseph House and which company was under the command of Col. Willett (1) and continued in service as a Drummer in said Captain House's Company (2) until the close of the War having served three years or more when he was honorably discharged, that while in service he was most of the time stationed with the rest of the company at Fort Plank a military station in said Montgomery County over near the Mohawk River in said State of New York That John & Marcus Dusler (3) two brothers of her said husband were privates in the same company with her said husband during said Revolutionary War under Captain Joseph House aforesaid. She further declares that she was married to the said Jacob Dusler or Duesler on the third day of May in the year seventeen hundred and ninety by the Rev. Philip Crutz a German Lutheran Minister in the township of Palatine in said County of Montgomery and state of New York and that

her name before her said marriage was Mathalain Sitz. That her husband the aforesaid Jacob Dusler or Duesler died on the twelfth day of September in the year eighteen hundred and twenty eight in the township of Seneca in the County of Ontario in the State of New York and that she has not intermarried but continues his widow and that she was not married to him prior to his entering the service the marriage too place previous to the first day of January seventeen hundred and ninety four viz. at the time above stated. She further declares that she has in her possession and which is herewith presented a portion of the family record of herself and said husband and which is in the handwriting of her husband the said Jacob Dusler which said family record Contains the date of the births of her & said Jacob Dusler's children with the except of their eldest child (the leaf on which it was written having been lost) said record was kept in the possession of said Jacob Dusler until his death since which time it has been kept in the possession of this declarant. She further declares that the particulars of the services of her husband the said Jacob Dusler she states from her own knowledge, she having been born & reared in said county of Montgomery and lived near to said Fort Plank during the time of her said husbands services as aforesaid and was personally acquainted with Captain Joseph House & his family. That she has never before made any application for a pension. (Signed with her mark)
Mathalain Dusler

Sworn to & subscribed before me the day & year as above written and I do further certify that the above declarant resides in the extreme portion of said County of Seneca and owing to her bodily infirmity is unable to appear before a court of Record and is a person entitled to credit. William Toll, Associate Judge of Seneca Common Pleas.

End Notes—R.3165—Jacob Dusler

1. It wasn't until 1781, when Lieutenant-Colonel commandant Marinus Willett commanded troops in the Mohawk Valley.
2. Captain Joseph House of Colonel Samuel Campbell's First Regiment of Tryon County Militia. "A Receipt of Cap Joseph House" dated "Canajohary District September 24th 1784" shows Jacob as a Drummer and certificate No. 11024, for £ . . 6 . . 9 . . 1 paid to him. FROM: Revolutionary War Rolls 1775-1783, Series M-246, Roll 72, folder 89, National Archives, Washington, D.C.
3. His brothers John & Marcus in their pension applications, (John) No. 16244 and (Marcus) No. S.10589 give detailed accounts of their service. Some of this service was under Captain Abraham Copeman and later under Captain Joseph House who replaced Copeman when he was appointed major. Jacob undoubtedly had some of the same service as his brothers did.