

Pension Application for Jacob Garlock

S.13119

State of New York
County of Herkimer

On the 13th day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two, personally appeared in open court, before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of said County now sitting Jacob Garlock a resident of the town of Warren in the County and State aforesaid, aged seventy one years on the sixteenth day of October Instant, 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 was called into Service as a Militia Man in the month of April 1778 [maybe?] year after his father was killed at Oriskany Battle in a company then commanded by Capt. Jacob Diefendorf (1), Lieut. George Countryman and Ensign Nicholas Bort in Colo. Clyde's regiment--that he was stationed in the town of Minden, County of Montgomery & State aforesaid, there kept on duty, on fatigue at building Fort Plank and out in Scouting parties on different occasions, until in November following when he was marched to Cherry Valley, the time it was destroyed by Brant (2) & his party, that they did not arrive there until after the place was destroyed, remained a while, buried the dead & then returned to Fort Plank, where he was left on duty and out in parties as before until the latter part of December following when he was permitted to leave the service, that he did during that the particulars of all which he cannot now State, and that he did, as he believes, at least six months actual duty in the Service of his Country.

That in the forepart of May 1779 he was again called into Service by his said Captain was stationed at Fort Plank where he was kept on duty a short time when he with about thirty nine men sent to Fort Dayton in the County of Herkimer, was then kept on duty about ten weeks under the Command of Capt. Myers & Colo. Bellinger (3), other officers not recollected, that they were then sent back to Fort Plank, where he was kept on duty & out in Scouting parties, & that he was sent back & fourth to those Forts & out in Scouting parties, almost until about the last of December following, when he was permitted to return home--that during that season he was occasionally allowed to go home for short periods, in all perhaps one month that he was out of the service and that he did as he believes during that season, more than five months actual duty in the Service of his Country.--

That about the first of June 1780 he was again called to Fort Plank by his said Captain, there kept on duty & sent out on Scouting parties until about the last of July, then marched with men under Gen Van Renselaer (4) to Fort Stanwix, about fifty miles up the Mohawk River, to guard the government boats & property to that place, was out on that Service about eight days, then returned to Fort Plank where he was again left on duty and out in parties as before until about the middle of October following when he with others marched against the enemy Commanded by Sir John Johnson then burning & destroying up the north side of the Mohawk River, that they marched across the River under Colo. Clyde (5), then Joined a body of troops under [crossed out--Colo. DuBois (6)] a body of Militia men under Gen. VanRenselaer & then pursued the enemy up the river Several Miles, where they overtook them. Commenced an engagement about dusk (7), fought some time when the enemy retreated up the river, that night crossed & moved westward, that they remained until morning then pursued them several miles. When the party in which he, the applicant, belonged with upwards of twenty prisoners taken were marched to Fort Plank where he again remained on duty with about the last of November following when he was again permitted to return home. And that he did as he believes, during that season a full five months, he thinks between five & six months duty in the Service of his Country--

That about the first of May 1781, he was again called into service by his said Captain, was stationed at Fort Plank, then kept on duty and out in Scouting parties at different times & in different directions as circumstances required until late in the fall of the year following when he marched with the men under Command of Colo. Willett (8) & Major Coopman (9), to Johnstown, the last of October or first of November , was engaged in the Johnstown battle (10) against troops, Indians & Tories under Command of Col. Butler (11) & Major Ross (12) that in a day or two or a few days he marched with men under Colo. Willett in pursuit of Butler & Ross to the West Canada Creek . When they were over taken, Butler (13) & several of his party killed he then returned to Fort Plank where he was kept on duty until about the first of December following. He lived in the Fort and his family as many others did. And that he did, as he believes, during that Season at least six months actual duty in the service of his Country.

That about the first of May 1782 he was again called to Fort Plank by his said Captain, then kept on duty and out in Scouting parties, as circumstances required, that some time in May, he thinks, the Indians came near to the Fort & killed & scalped his brother in law--& two or three others--that he with others pursued the Indians but did not overtake them, that he continued on duty at the Fort & out in parties until about the last of August, as he

believes, when he was dismissed. And that he did in that season, as he believes, at least two months actual duty in the service of his Country—

That he has no documentary evidence of his service and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure, who can testify to all his service.—

That he was born in the town of Palatine in the County of Montgomery & State aforesaid in the year 1761.

That he has a transcript of the record of his age now in his family & that the original record is, as he supposes, with his sister in the County of Cattaraugus, in the State aforesaid.

That he was living in the town of Minden, County of Montgomery & State aforesaid when called into Service where he lived during the war, that after the war he moved to the town of Cherry Valley in the County of Otsego, then to Minden aforesaid, thence to Frankfort in the County of Herkimer, then to Cherry Valley aforesaid, then to Columbia in Herkimer aforesaid, then to Warren where he has continued to live & now lives.

That he was called into service at the different times & in the manner above mentioned.

That he cannot State the names of regular officers—with the troops where he served; Continental or Militia regiments, or general circumstances of his service, other than as the same is by him above Stated—

The he never received a written discharge from the Service.

That John Clapsattle and Arabel Bronson are the names of persons to whom his is known in his present neighborhood, and who can testify as to his character for veracity, and their belief of his Services as a Soldier of the revolution—

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 by his mark) Jacob Garlock

Sworn & Subscribed, the day and year aforesaid.

Reply to letter of inquiry, dated January 22, 1935.

Reference is made to your letter in which you request the record of Jacob Garlock, born in 1761 in Palatine, New York, who served in the Revolutionary War and War of 1812.

The record of Jacob Garlock is given herein as found in the papers on file in his claim for pension, S.11319, based upon his Revolutionary War service.

Jacob Garlock was born October 16, 1761, in Palatine, Montgomery County, New York. His father, name not given was killed in the battle of Oriskany, the name of his mother is not shown.

While a resident of Minden, Montgomery County, New York, he enlisted in April 1778, and served at different times in each succeeding year through 1783, amounting in all to about ten months, as private under Captains Jacob Dievendorf (14) and Myers, Colonels Clyde, Bellinger, Klock and Willet in the New York troops during the period of his service, he was engaged at different fort in New York state, was in the battle of Johnstown in October 1781, and was at Fort Plank in May 1782 when the Indians scalped and killed his brother-in-law, Frederick Young, and others.

It is not shown that Jacob Garlock rendered service in the War of 1812.

After the war, the soldier moved to Cherry Valley, Otsego County, New York, then to Minden, then to Frankfort, Herkimer County, then back to Cherry Valley, after that to Columbia, also Herkimer County, and from there to Warren, Herkimer County, New York.

He was allowed pension on his application executed October 12, 1832, at which time he resided in Warren, New York. Jacob Garlock, the soldier, made no reference to wife or children; he referred, whoever, in 1832, to his sister in Cattaraugus County, New York, but did not state her name.

[A hand written note at the bottom of the letter says, "There is a Jacob Garlock of Minden, NY in 1812 flat file."]

End Notes—S.13119—Jacob Garlock

1. Jacob Dieffendorf was appointed first lieutenant on August 26, 1775 in Captain Henry Dieffendorff's (Jacob's brother) Fifth Company in Colonel Nicholas Herkimer's First Regiment of Tryon County Militia. Henry and Jacob's father Sergeant Charles Garlock were killed at the Battle of Oriskany on August 6, 1777. Jacob was the appointed the Captain of the Fifth Company and he was commissioned on March 4, 1780. The other company officers commissioned on that date were: First Lieutenant George Countryman, Second Lieutenant Nicholas Bardt or Bard, Bort, etc., and Ensign Richard Elwood.
2. Cherry Valley was burned on November 11, 1778 by forces under the command of Captains Walter Butler and Joseph Brant.
3. Peter Bellinger was the Colonel of the Fourth Regiment of Tryon County Militia. A Capt. Myers did not serve in Colonel Bellinger's Regiment. A Jacob Meyer was a Second Lieutenant in captain Frederick Getman's Company in Colonel Bellinger's Regiment.
4. Brigadier General Robert VanRensselaer of the Second Brigade of the Albany County Militia.
5. Samuel Clyde was commissioned Lieutenant Colonel on June 25, 1778 in the First regiment of Tryon County Militia.

6. Lewis DuBois was appointed colonel on July 1, 1780 of a regiment of New York State Levies.
7. The Battle of Klocksfield was fought on October 19, 1780.
8. Marinus Willett was appointed Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant of a regiment of New York State Levies on April 27, 1781.
9. Abraham Copman was commissioned major on October 19, 1779 in the First Regiment of Tryon County Militia.
10. The Battle of Johnstown was fought on October 25, 1781.
11. Captain Walter Butler not his father John Butler who was the Lieutenant-Colonel of Butler's Rangers.
12. Major John Ross commanded the British forces at Johnstown.
13. The Skirmish at West Canada Creek was fought on October 30, 1781.
14. On Captain Dieffendorf's certificate list dated Montgomery County, Canajohary 25th September 1784, Jacob had two certificates to be paid as follows: No. 10747 £ 4 . . 14 . . 2 and No. 10817 £ 10 . . 2 . . 8.
FROM: Revolutionary War Rolls 1775-1783, Series M-246, Roll 72, folder 89, National Archives, Washington, D.C.