

Pension Application for Jacob Hutchings or Hutchins

S.13479

State of New York

County Saratoga SS.

On this 4th day of September personally appeared in open Court before the Court of Common Pleas now sitting Jacob Hutchings a resident of the Town of Malta County of Saratoga and State [of] New York aged 78 years who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832.

Was born in 1754 27th February in Town Sinsing [Sing Sing] West Chester State of New York. Has a record of his age in his Bible. Was living in Town of Beekman Dutchess County New York when he entered the service and after the revolutionary war, moved to Halfmoon Saratoga Co. and from there moved to the Town of Malta Saratoga Co., where he now resides. Was a volunteer. I do not recollect the names of any Continental officers, but believe General Putman was one of the officers & not understand the distinction between the state & Continental Troops. Never received a discharge.

The persons in my own neighborhood with whom I am acquainted that can testify to my character for veracity and their belief of my services as a soldier are James Black, Ira Paye and prove by Thomas Halstead of 5 mos actual service & has no documentary proof and no other proof except the above name Thomas Halsted.

There is not Clergyman in the neighborhood with whom I am acquainted

About 1st of May 1776 was out upon duty under the command of Capt. Cornelius VanWyke marched to Pauldowntown to catch some Tories time of service 6 days.

In July 1776 was down toward Peekskill on duty under the command of Capt. VanWyke time of service 10 days.

August 1st 1776 entered the service and served 5 months officers Gen. Geo. Clinton Col. Jacobus Swartwort, Capt Cornelius VanWyke, 1 Lieut Nathaniel Smith, 2nd Lieut Henry Bailey, marched from Dutchess into West Chester County this term of service expired the last of December.

April 1777 under command of Capt. Morey marched below Peekskill time of an alarm time of service 12 days.

Sept. 1777 entered service for 1 month officers Lieut. Col. Benj Burcher, & Capt. Morey marched to Gullows Hill done duty on guard.

Immediately after the preceding term of service expired Fort Montgomery was burnt & I was in the service then at Fishkill 15 days.

1777b marched to Nine Partners thinks it was in June to Catch some Tories. Caught some and they were confined in the meeting house time of service 8 days.

In 1778 thinks it was in June out on duty at West Point and assisted in building the fort officers names not recollected—one month service in 1779 thinks it

was in June on duty 15 days it was called the Great Alarm officers. Geo. Clinton, Gen. Col. James Vandenberg & Capt. Moray.

1781 marched to Fort Plank officers Col. Wyndervelt, Capt. Henry Dodge, Lieut Peter VanClark Time of service 3 months.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

Sworn & Subscribed to the day & year aforesaid in open court. (Signed with his mark) Jacob Hutchings.

Thomas Palmer Clerk

Letter in folder dated March 11, 1937, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your letter in which you request the Revolutionary War record of Jacob Hutchins, who served as a private in the New York troops under Colonel Frederick Weissenfels.

The data which follow are obtained from the papers on file in Revolutionary War pension claim, S.13479, based upon the military service in that war of Jacob Hutchings, the only soldier of that name or similar spelling, who served with the New York troops, that is found on the Revolutionary War records of this office.

Jacob Hutchings was born February 27, 1754, in Westchester County, New York. The names of his parents are not shown.

While a resident of Beekman, Dutchess County, New York, Jacob Hutchings enlisted and served as a private with the New York troops as follows: from May 1, 1776, six days in Captain Cornelius VanWyck's Company: from July, 1776, ten days under same captain: from August 1, 1776, five months under the same Captain and Colonel Jacobus Swartwout: from April 1777, twelve days in Captain Morey's Company: from June, 1777, eight days, names of officers not given: from September, 1777, one month in Captain Morey's Company, Colonel Benjamin Burcher's (evidently meant for Birdsall's Regiment: at the time of the burning of Fort Montgomery, fifteen days, names of officers not given: from June, 1776, one month and assisted in building the fort at West Point, names of officers not given: from June, 1779, fifteen days in Captain Morey's Company, Colonel James Vandeburgh's Regiment: from sometime in 1781, three months in Captain Henry Dodge's Company, Colonel Wyndervelt's (evidently meant for Weissenfels' Regiment).

After the Revolution, Jacob Hutchings moved to Half Moon, Saratoga County, New York, then moved to Malta, same county and state, where he was living when he was allowed pension on his application executed September 4, 1832. He was born on the pension rolls as Jacob Hutchins.

There are no data as to family.