

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Godfrey Settlemyer S46343
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For the purpose of obtaining the benefits of the act entitled "An act for the relief of certain surviving Officers and Soldiers of the Army of the Revolution," approved on the 15th of May, 1828, I Godfrey Settlemyer of Somerhill township in the County of Cambria in the State of Pennsylvania do hereby declare, that I enlisted in the Continental Line of the Army of the Revolution, for and during the war, and continued in its service until its termination; at which period, I was a private in Captain [blank] Company, in the Second Regiment, of the Pennsylvania Line. And, I also declare, that I afterwards received certificates for the reward of eighty dollars; to which I was entitled under a resolve of Congress, passed the 15th of May, 1778.

And I further declare, that I was not, on the fifteenth day of May, 1828, on the Pension List of the United States.

Witness my hand, this twenty first day of April in the year 1830

Godfrey hisXmark Settlemyer

Note. The most convenient Branch Bank of the U.S. is at Pittsburgh

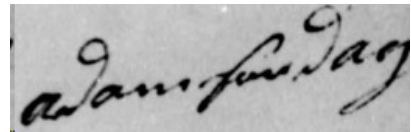
The most convenient Post Office is at Ebensburgh.

I Chauncey Forward do hereby certify that I have known Godfrey Settlemyer for about ten years past personally. He is reputed to be an honest and poor man & to have been in the Revolutionary War. I have had correspondence respecting his claim upon the United States with Moses Canan Esq a man of high standing as any in Cambria county. As to the identity of Godfrey Settlemyer and to the fact of his having served his country in the Revolution I do not entertain a doubt. C. Forward

To whom this may come

State of Pennsylvania Centre County Ss. [1 March 1829]

Personally came before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the Court of Common pleas in and for said County Adam Sunday [pension application W26495] of the Township of Gregg in said County, and on his Solemn according to Law Oath depose and say that a certain Godfrey Settlemyer of Sommerfield Township in Cambria County in said State enlisted along with the said deponant about in the month of August in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty one for the Term of eighteen months, that they both enlisted in the Company of Captain Jacob Bower [W3212] and was afterward joined or attached to Captain Seely's Company in the Second Regiment under General Anthony Wayn [sic: Anthony Wayne], and that the said Settlemyer served out the full term of eighteen months the Term for which he was enlisted



Western District of Pennsylvania

Cambria County Ss.

On the twenty ninth day of march AD one thousand eight hundred & thirty, Personally appeared in open Court of Common pleas of Cambria County in said district (being a court of Record proceeding according to the course of the Common Law with a Jurisdiction unlimited in point of amount, having a seal and keeping a Record of their proceeding) Godfrey Settlemyer aged seventy seven years who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration to obtain the provision made by the acts of Congress of the 18th of march 1818 and the first of may 1820. That he the said Godfrey Settlemyer enlisted for the term of eighteen months in the Company commanded by Capt Jacob Bower

and was afterwards joined or attached to Captain Seely's company in the second Regiment under General Anthony Wayne – that he marched to South Carolina and about the Expiration of his term returned to Lancaster in Pennsylvania where he Enlisted for during the war, and served out the term of his Enlistment and received a discharge at Philadelphia which discharge has since been destroyed by fire. That he has no evidence now in his power of his said services except the deposition of Adam Sondag herewith exhibited and the deposition of William Livingston also herewith exhibited. And in pursuance of the act of the 1st may 1820 I Godfrey Settlemyer do swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled “an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War” passed on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed.

Schedule of Property necessary Cloathing and bedding excepted. Two mares, two cows & calves, one year old Bull, one year old Heifer, three sheep, one Kitchen dresser, one tin plate stove and pipe Four hogs, one plough, one sugar kettle one cross cut saw one six plate stove. I am by Occupation a labourer or Farmer but in consequence of old age and debility I am now unable to work I do not own any Land but I have settled on a tract and can not pay for it. I have four sons and three daughters. I live with my son George and two of my Daughters. My son George works the ground for the support of my family.

Godfrey hisXmark Settlemyer