

## **Pension Application for John Bogart**

S.23547

State of New York  
County of Albany SS.

On the 24<sup>th</sup> day of December A.D. 1833 personally appeared in open court before the Justice's Court of the City of Albany, now sitting, (the same being a Court of Record) John Bogart, a resident of the City of Albany, aged seventy two years, 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 7, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States, and served as hereinafter stated.

In the year 1775 I was in the service as a private in the Company commanded by Captain Isaac Swits of the New York Militia—He commanded an escort of which I was one, to a number of British Officers and soldiers, prisoners, taken at St. John's in Canada, by General Montgomery.

We escorted them to Kingston, Ulster County & they were afterwards removed and escorted by other troops, to the interior of Pennsylvania—Our escort was composed of persons drafted from the different companies of Militia in the city of Albany, where I then resided—It was in the month of November when I performed this service—I was employed in this duty not less than fourteen days as a private in said company.

In the year 1776 I was employed as a hand a sailor on board of the Sloop Magdaline, then commanded by my father, Henry I. Bogart—We were in the service of the United States, and engaged in the transportation of Military stores from New York City to different places on the Hudson River, and acted under the direction as I understood & believe, of the Commander in Chief of the American Army—I was engaged in this service, as a private sailor, during nearly the whole of that season of navigation, and not less than three months. But towards the close of the said season, I was appointed master of said vessel in the place of my father.

In the year 777 I was employed in the service of the United States, as Captain of said Sloop called the Magdaline, in transporting troops from Fishkill to Albany, destined for the northern army—I acted under the order of Col. Morgan Lewis, then acting as Quarter Master General of the Northern Division of the American Army—And also in transporting provisions, wood, military stores &c. for the use of the Army—

In May of this year, I was ordered by General Schuyler to take charge of a Mrs. McIntosh then at Albany, (the wife of Capt. McIntosh of the British Army, then at New York) and to render her to the Head Quarter of Genl. McDougall at Peekskill—which service I performed—On my arrival at Peekskill I was ordered by Genl. McDougall to convey her to New York—which I did, under a flag of truce, furnished me by the General—I was badly treated by the Hessians at Fort Washington and politely escorted by a British Guard into New York to the head Quarters of Genl Howe—Having performed this duty, I returned to Peekskill—I was employed during this year as Captain of said Sloop & entitled as I believe, to the pay & emoluments of a Captain of Infantry, in transporting troops &c as above stated, not less than seven months.

In the year 1778 I was employed in the service of the United States as captain of said Sloop in transporting wood &c for the use of the army from different places on the Hudson River to Albany & I believe on said River according to instruction received by me from the Quarter Master's Department, then under the direction of Col. Morgan Lewis—said sloop was a fore and aft rigged vessel of about 75 tons burthen—

I was engaged in the transportation service this year, as above stated, not less than seven months—during which time I was entitled to pay & emoluments of a Captain of Infantry.

In the year 17779 I was also engaged in the service of the United States, as Captain of said Sloop, in the transportation service on the Hudson River, under the orders and direction of the Quarter Master's Department of which Col. Morgan Lewis was the head. I

was so employed the greater part of the season—but in the month of July of this year I was detached from the service for about thirty days on an expedition to Schoharie and that neighborhood, to aid in repelling the Indians, whilst on this tour of service I was under the command of Col. Lansing—and in the fall of the same year I was again detached from said transportation service on an expedition to Schoharie, for about five weeks—on this tour I was stationed in the Lower Fort under the command of Col. Lansing—I was engaged in the transportation service during this year, as Captain of said Sloop entitled as I believe to the pay & emoluments of a Captain of Infantry, not less than four months.

And in the two expeditions to Schoharie as above stated, not less than two months. In the latter part of the month of December in this year (1779) I was ordered by General Lewis to take charge of a French Priest who came with information from Camden and deliver him at the Head Quarters of General Washington, then [?] for Winter Quarters in New Jersey—I did accordingly take charge of said Priest at Albany and conveyed him to Head Quarters at (I think) Pompton—I then proceeded pursuant to orders, on business connected with the Quarter Masters Department to Philadelphia—

It was in January 1780 when I arrived there—I remained there six or eight days & then returned to Albany—I was engaged in this service not less than three weeks.

In the year 1780 in the early part of the season I was employed under the direction of the Quarter Master's Department as Captain of said Sloop in the transportation service in conveying wood, military stores &c for the use of the Army on the Hudson River—particularly for the [?] at West Point—I continued in this service from the commencement of the navigation season in March or April until the latter part of the month of July.

I served as captain of said sloop as above stated, from March or April to July, a period of not less than four months, and was entitled as I believe, to the pay & emoluments of a Captain of Infantry whilst so employed.

In the latter part of the month of July I was detached from the transportation service (but my vessel was still continued in the same, under the command of the [meate?]) on an expedition up the Mohawk River, under the command of Col. Wemple—I was in the engagement which took place in the month of August between the American troops under Col. Wemple being a detachment of about ninety men, aided by the neighboring Militia, and the Indians under Brandt. I acted in this expedition as an Ensign, and was engaged on this tour, not less than four weeks.

On my return I resumed the command of said Sloop, and continued in the transportation service, under the orders of the Quarter Master's Department, as before until the month of October following—I was engaged in the transportation service as last above stated, and entitled, as I believe to the pay and emoluments of a Captain of Infantry, from about the last of August to about the first of October—a period of not less than one month.

In the said month of October I went with a large detachment of Militia, from Albany up the Mohawk River, to the County of Montgomery, under the command of General Robert Van Rensselaer and was in an engagement between the American troops under his command, and the British and Indians, under the command of Sir John Johnson—Whilst on this tour, I was situated at Fort Plain & Stone Arabia—I served on this tour as an Ensign in Captain Abraham Yates' Company of Militia not less than four weeks.

In the year 1781 I was again engaged in the transportation service as Captain of said Sloop, under the orders of the Quarter Master's Department and entitled, as I believe to the pay and emoluments of a Captain of Infantry during a part of the season of navigation—not less than three months.

Also in the same year I was on an expedition under the command of Col. Cuyler up the Mohawk River, and was **stationed at Fort Plain and Fort Plank and several other places in the County of Montgomery**—It was in the fall—I served as an Ensign in this tour, not less than two months.

In the winter of 1781-82 I was with Col. Willett on the expedition to Oswego as a Volunteer—I was on this tour not less than two weeks.

In the year 1782 I was still employed ad Captain of said Sloop in the transportation service, under the orders of the Quarter Master's Department—I served in this capacity the which of the navigation season, not less than seven months, and was entitled, as I believe, to the pay and emoluments of a Captain of Infantry—For all which services I claim a pension.

I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity, except the present and declare that my name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. (Signed) John Bogart.

Sworn & Subscribed in open court this 24<sup>th</sup> day of December 1833. J. G. Wasson, Clk.

Response to an inquiry dated January 27, 1939.

Reference is made to your letter in which you request the Revolutionary War record of John Bogart of Albany, New York.

The data which follow were obtained from papers in pension claim, S.23547, based upon the service of John Bogart in the War of the Revolution.

The date and place of birth of John Bogart were not stated. He was the son of Henry I. Bogart, the name of his mother is not shown.

The said Henry I. Bogart was appointed sometime in October 1776, by Colonel Morgan Lewis, to be his assistant in the Quartermaster Department of the Northern Division, and continued as such as long as Colonel Lewis was in that department.

While a resident of Albany, New York, John Bogart, served in November 1775, about fourteen days as private in Captain Isaac Swits' New York company, as an escort to British officers and privates taken prisoners at St. Johns, Canada. He served in the fall of 1776, about three months on the sloop "Magdaline" commanded by his father, Henry I. Bogart; this vessel was engaged in transporting military stores from New York City to various places on the Hudson River; near the close of this service, John Bogart was appointed by Colonel Morgan Lewis, to the command of the sloop "Magdaline", in place of his father, Henry I. Bogart. John Bogart continued to serve as captain of this sloop, which was attached to the Transport Service in the Quartermaster Department, under Colonel Morgan Lewis—seven months in 1777; in 1778, seven month; in 1779, four months, and in July 1779, was detached and went under Colonel Lansing to Schoharie to repel the Indians, and in the fall of 1779, about six weeks in another expedition to Schoharie, under Colonel Lansing; in 1780, five months as captain of the sloop, and in July, went under Colonel Wemple, as ensign, up the Mohawk River and was in an engagement with the Indians, and went as ensign in Captain Abraham Yates' company, was in an engagement against the Indians under Sir John Johnson; in 1781, three months as captain of the sloop; and in the fall of 1781 and in 1782, two weeks under Colonel Cuyler, two months in an expedition up the Mohawk River; in the winter of 1781 and 1782, two weeks under Colonel Willett in an expedition to Oswego; and in 1782, seven months as captain of the sloop.

John Bogart was allowed pension on his application executed December 24, 1833, at which time he was aged seventy-two years, and a resident of Albany, New York.

The papers on file in this claim contain no discernible data in regard to family, other than the reference to his father, Henry I. Bogart, as given herein.

Note. On February 10, 1834, the pension certificate was issued, \$480.00 per annum. Commenced March 4, 1831, Act of June 7, 1832, New York Agency.