



Loyalists of Chaleur Bay



McKenzie, Lawrence of Skenesborough, Tryon Co., mason.

Memorial sworn New Carlisle, Bay of Chaleur, 13 March 1786. He joined the Army as a volunteer in July 1777 and served in Maj. James Roger's Rangers.

Claim for 110 acres on lease forever; a house, etc.

Evidences: Deposition 14 March 1786 New Carlisle by Andrew Coulter that he has heard that the claimant before the war erected buildings for Maj. Skeene but he never saw him until after the war had started; last summer he read in an American newspaper that the claimant's property was being sold, and he knew of none other of that name in Skenesborough.

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A NEW CLAIM

232. Evidence on the Claim of Lawr. McKenzie, late of Skeensborough, N. York Province.

[Quebec,]
[31st July,]
[1787.]

Says he was at Machick in 1783 & could not send his Claim home.

He is a native of Ireland & has been in America 35 years & was 14 years settled at Skeensborough.

Says he never joined the rebels at any time but joined Gen. Burgoyne in 1777. He returned to Canada and enlisted in Major Rogers' Rangers until the end of the War.

He now resides at New Carlisle.

110 acres of Land Lease forever from Major Skeens, had cleared 10 acres. A small House. Values at £40 H. Cury.

Stock--Furniture, Utensils & Crop, all taken by the rebels.

Wits. Andr. Philip Skeens, Sworn:

Remembers Claimt. before the War. He was a Tradesman & an old settler in Skeensborough. Believes that he was uniformly Loyal.

He held a lease forever, on condition of paying a shilling pr. acre & a fine of £10 pr. cwt. on a sale. His demand may be reasonable. Men in that situation had a little stock and he was out of debt. Believes that his property was lost to him.

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