

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to Lewellin Jones VAS1302

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[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

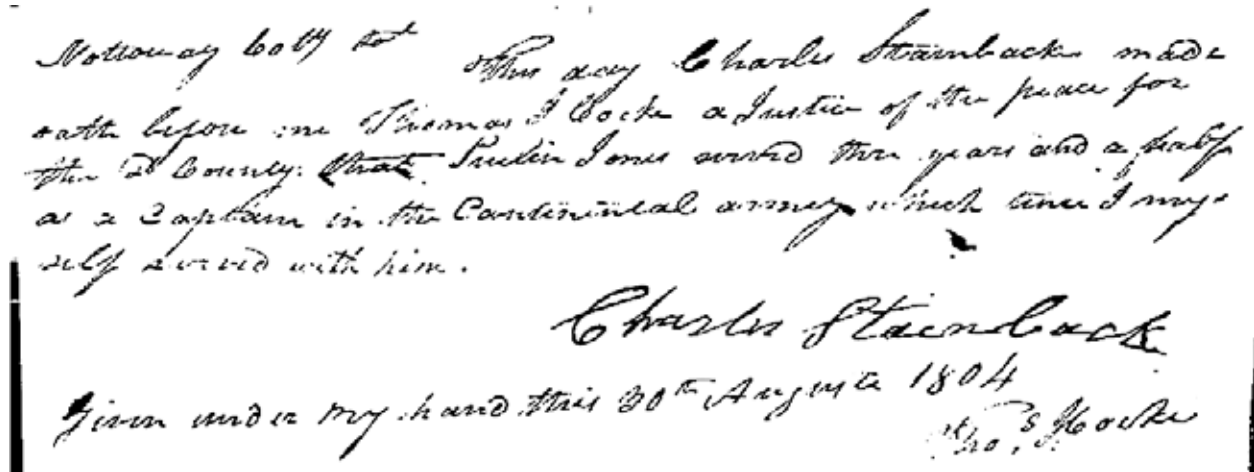
Nottoway County Sct.

This day Charles Stainback made oath before me Thomas J Cocke a Justice of the Peace for the said County that Leulin Jones served three years and a half as a Captain in the Continental Army which time I myself served with him.

S/ Charles Stainback¹

given under my hand this 30th of August 1804

S/ Thos. J. Cocke



I do hereby Certify that I was well acquainted with Lewelling Jones, a Captain of Cavalry in the 1st Regiment; & knew him as such for more than three years in the Army: and I do further Certify that I ever understood & believed that he discharged his duty as a good & brave Officer. – Given under my hand this 2nd day of July 1804

S/ Buller Claiborne:² who was

¹ This affidavit appears to be the only record evidence of the service of a veteran by the name of Charles Stainback or any similarly spelled name.

² Again, this affidavit appears to be the only record evidence of the service of a veteran by the name of Buller Claiborne or any similarly spelled name. Gwathmey has the following entry regarding Buller Claiborne:

Captain in the second Virginia Regiment

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 good & brave Officer -- Given under my hand this 2nd
 Day of July 1804.

Buller Claiborne: who was
 Capt. in the second Virginia
 Regiment.

I do hereby Certify that Lewellin Jones was the Senior Captain in the first Regiment of Horse raised in Virginia on Continental establishment in the year 1776 – Major Bland [Theodorick Bland] then Commandant; and that he stayed in that service until the latter part of the year 1779 or early in the year 1780, and had the character of a brave and faithful officer in the cause of North American

June 30th 1804

S/ Ro: Lawson [Robert Lawson]³

I was Colo. of the 4th Virginia Regiment

S/ Ro: Lawson

June 30th 1804. R.O. LAWTON
 I was Col^o of the 4th Virginia Regiment.
 R.O. LAWTON

Claiborne, Buller, 1st Lieut. 2 CL Oct. 24, 1775; Captain Jan. 31, 1776; served to July 1777; served subsequently as Brigade Major and Aide-de-Camp to General Lincoln in 1779 and 1780. Awarded 5,333 acres.

³ [Robert Lawson VAS850](#)

Nottoway County to wit

This day John Evans made oath before me Thomas J Cocke a Justice of the Peace for the said County that Lewelling Jones served three years and a half as a Captain in the Continental Army which time I myself served with him.⁴

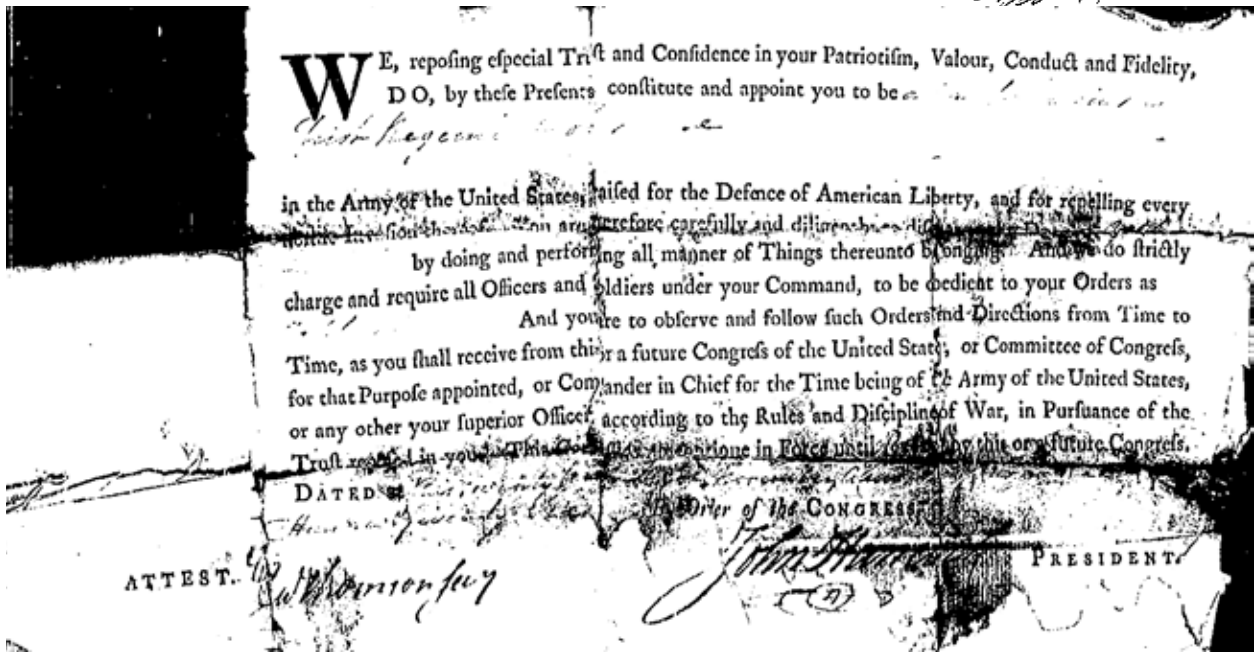
S/ John Evans

given under my hand this 29th of August 1804

S/ Thos. J. Cocke

Witness my hand & seal

*This day John Evans came before me
Thomas J. Cocke a Justice of the Peace for the said
County and made oath that Lewelling Jones served three
years and a half months as a Captain in the
Continental Army which time I myself served
with him
given under my hand this 29th August 1804
Thos J. Cocke*



[From Digital Library of Virginia] Dinwiddie County Legislative Petitions

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Delegates of the Commonwealth of Virginia
The Petition of John Verrel of the County of Dinwiddie humbly Represents. That he is the Legal Representative or Agent of Lewellin Jones of the County of Oglethorpe in the State of Georgia,

⁴ Although there are two other veterans named John Evans who were pensioned by the federal government for services rendered during the revolution, neither of them appear to be this affiant. This affidavit may be the only record evidence of his service.

formally an Inhabitant of the State of Virginia, as will satisfactorily appear by Reference to the annexed Letter of attorney. That at an Early Period of the late Revolutionary War, the said Lewellin Jones entered into the service of his Country and was appointed by the State of Virginia to the Command of the 4th Company in the 1st Virginia Regiment of Light Dragoons and continued to serve in that Station for three years: That by the Existing Laws of this Commonwealth he was entitled to the full Pay and Emoluments of a Capt. of Dragoons as well as to a due Proportion of the Lands allotted for the Reward of those who rendered Military Services to their Country: Among whom none stood higher for Activity and Zeal in the Cause of Liberty than him who is Represented by your Petitioner. Your Petitioner knows too well the Justice, Liberality and Magnanimity of his Country men, for a moment to believe, that, whilst we are enjoying all the blessings of Liberty and free Government, The Representatives of the People will withhold the reward of Valor and Patriotism from the war worn Veteran by whose Toils and whose Blood, that Liberty was obtained: At a Period too, when the heart of every lover of his Country is glowing with Enthusiasm for the Recollection of the Imperishable Glory with which the Sons of Columbia have emblazoned his name (Virginians not the least among those Heroes). The mind naturally secures to the Recollection of those who by their Examples led the way to this Glory & taught an Admiring world that the forces of Freedom are always successful when [one or more indecipherable words] in the Defense of their beloved Country and the Rights of Man.

Various Causes combined to prevent Capt. Jones for many years from receiving the reward for his Services so amply provided by his Grateful Country: The principle of which was his Removal to the State of Georgia, a measure thought necessary by him as the best means at that Time of Repairing a Fortune injured if not entirely ruined by the Sacrifices which he had made in his Country's arduous Struggle for Independence. Since that Period however the full Allowance of his Bounty Lands, has, through the Medium of your Petitioner, then made at the Land Office as will also appear by the Annexed Certificates: In order to Procure this Bounty all the necessary Vouchers (then in the Possession of your Petitioner) were Exhibited; among them the original Commission of Capt. Jones, and as your Petitioner thinks were lodged by him with the Executive Department: the Commission however cannot now be found in the Archives of that Honorable Body nor has your Petitioner been able since to find it. It is with Satisfaction that your Petitioner observes, that the Legislature of Virginia on the 9th of February 1814 passed a Law requiring the Auditor to settle the Accounts of the Late Major Harrison, and to pay to his Representatives the full amount which should be found due to him for his Revolutionary Services, and Evidence that Republics are grateful and that the Meritorious Sons of Freedom never go without their Reward. Your Petitioner asked in the Name of Capt. Jones for the same Measure of Justice and confidently believes that he will not ask in vain and your Petitioner as in Duty bound will ever Pray &c

S/ John Verrel
Attorney in Fact for Lewellin Jones

[Reverse]

John Verrell's Petition
December 19th, 1817
Referred to Claims
Reasonable

December 23rd
Reported
Bill drawn

[Another file]

[same petition by Verrell as transcribed above, but with the following endorsed on the Reverse thereof:

John Verrell's Petition
December the 26th 1818
Referred to Claims
Reasonable
January 4th 1819
Reported January 5th
Bill drawn
January 22nd
Reasonable December 20th

The representative or representatives of Lewelling Jones is or are entitled to the proportion of land allowed a Capt. of the Continental line for 3 years service.

Council Chamber
September 8th 1804
John Gaurranty

S/ Sam. Coleman

Virginia Land Office, to wit

I William G Pendleton, Register of the said Land Office, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a certificate from the Executive department of this State on file in this office, and that it appears by the books of this Office that, on the 8th day of September 1804, for warrants for 4000 acres of land, viz. one warrant No. 5063 for 2000 acres, one No. 5064 for 500 acres, one No. 5065 for 400 acres, & one No. 5066 for 1100 acres, issued from this office, upon said certificate to "the Representative of Lewellin Jones" and directed to the principal Surveyor of the Lands set apart for the Officers & Soldiers of the Commonwealth of Virginia. Given under my hand and seal of office this 19th day of December 1816

S/ Wm G. Pendleton, Reg.

[Power of attorney given by it Lewelling Jones in Oglethorpe Georgia on April 6, 1804 in powering John Verrell as his attorney to petition the House of Representatives of the United States for such money as is due him for his service in the revolution.]

I do hereby Certify that I was acquainted with Lewelling Jones (of Amelia) and know that he commanded a Troop of horse, as Capt. in the old Revolutionary War, between Great Britain & America: That I saw the said Jones frequently to the northward, performing the said duties of a Capt.: and those duties were performed in or about the year 1777, 78 & upwards and I am not certain; but I saw him and doing duty before the above stated periods.

S/ John Crawford

John Crawford