

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Cadwallader Jones BLWt2308

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A. Copy

Dr. The United States in account with Cadwallader Jones Captain in the late 3rd Regiment Light Dragoons Cr.

For Commutation of 5 years full pay in lieu of half pay during life, pursuant to Act of Congress of the 22nd March 1783 & the certificate of General Mucklenberg [Peter Muhlenberg] here with 60 months at \$50 per month \$3000

By balanced to be certified on interest from the 23rd of March 1783 3000

Sir – Captain Jones stands charged in the books of the pay office with \$4000 received of the paymaster General in November 1778 & the further sum of \$9069 in June 1779 for and on account of pay of the Regiment, the first sum of \$4000 I find was deducted from the abstract of pay of the Regiment in 1779. Captain Jones asserts the latter sum was actually paid to the Regiment for the purposes for which it was drawn, but, Sir, I have no evidence of the fact and therefore beg leave to submit the propriety of admitting this sum to his credit on his qualification. I cannot procure any evidence from the records of the War Office that Captain Jones was actually deranged on the 1st January 1781, it appears by the accounts of the State of Virginia that Captain Jones was allowed his pay for the year 1781 this probably was an oversight on the part of the State unless he was considered in Service by his Acting as D Q M D A D Camp [? Deputy quarter master and aide the camp] – there Being No arrangement of the Virginia line between the 1st January 1781 and the 1st January 1783. I have taken the certificate of General Mucklenberg as my Guide and have founded they claim their own.

The Auditor of the Treasury

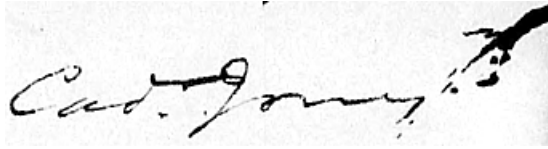
S/ J. Howell

April 20, 1792

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My father Cadwallader Jones served during the revolutionary War in the Virginia line – he was a Captain in Bland's [Theodoric Bland's] or Baylor's [George Baylor's] Regiment, I think of Cavalry – & at one time was aid de camp to General Lafayette – He received some lands in Ohio for his services probably 3 or 4000 acres which I suppose was granted by the State of Virginia or rather given by that state, though the grants issued from the United States whether he ever received any land from the United States or a donation I know not for certain, this I think he did not – the question I wish answered is whether he is entitled to land from the United States or not? August 29th, 1839

S/ Cadr Jones Jr



I am advised by our agent that the Governor of Virginia is [several indecipherable words] admitted one claim for about 1300 acres for my father services as aid to General Lafayette.
S/ C.J.

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State of South Carolina, Richland District

We, F. J. Pride & Lucy P. Green heirs at law of Captain Cadwallader Jones do, upon oath, testify and declare, to the best of my knowledge and belief, that the said Cadwallader Jones did entered the service in 17__, for the term of __ and served as a Captain in the Regiment No. three of dragoons under the command of Colonel Baylor, of the Virginia line; and that he continued in the service aforesaid until the close of the war.

We further declare that we have never received a warrant for the bounty land promised to the said Cadwallader Jones on the part of the United States; nor do I believe that he ever received it, or transferred his claim to it in any manner whatsoever: therefore

S/ Fredk L. G. Pride [Frederick L. J. Pride]

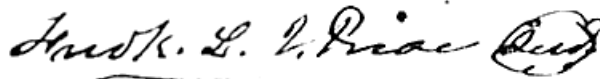
S/ Lucy P. Green

Know all men by these presents, We F. L. J. Pride & Lucy Green aforesaid, do hereby constitute and appoint our brother Cadwallader Jones to be our true and lawful attorney, for And in our name to demand and receive from the Secretary of War of the United States, a warrant warrants for the quantity of land due to us as aforesaid; and our said attorney is hereby fully authorized and empowered to constitute and appoint one or more substitutes or attorneys under him, for the special purposes above expressed.

S/ Fredk L. J. Pride

S/ Lucy P. Green

THAT THEY ARE OR MORE SUBSTITUTES OR ATTORNEYS.



Attest: S/ Jos A. Black [Attested December 4, 1839 in Columbia South Carolina]

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Haw River, NC 30th of August 1839

Sir

At the request of Colonel Cadwalader Jones of Hillsboro I enclose his memorandum to you for the purpose of ascertaining if there is not bounty land due the heirs of his Deceased father Colonel Cadwalader Jones of the Virginia Line.

The Colonel informs me that some years ago, his father's heirs obtained lands in the State of Ohio, but he is under the impression it was a gratuity from the State of Virginia, and not from the United States, and that that bounty was as Captain in Baylor's Regiment. Subsequently his

father was appointed aide-de-camp to Marquis De La Fayette and was his aide in 1781 at the taking of Little York.

Has Cadwalader Jones of the Virginia Line received any grant of lands from the Federal Government for his Services as Captain in Baylor's Regiment?

Any for his Services as aide-de-camp to General Lafayette?

If he has not, is any due his heirs?

Be so good as to cause examination to be made & write me the result of the examination

I remain Sir,

Very respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

S/ James A. Craig

Wm Gordon, Esqr.

Bounty Land office

Washington City

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State of North Carolina

At a Court held for Orange County November Term 1839 Satisfactory evidence was adduced in Court to prove that Frederick L. J. Pride of Chester District South Carolina, Lucy P. Green of Columbia South Carolina & Cadwallader Jones of Orange County North Carolina are the children of and sole heirs at law in fee to Cadwallader Jones late a Captain in the Regiment No. 3 of the Virginia Line –

I, John Tayler, Clerk of the County Court do certify that the above evidence is taken from the records in my office.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto affixed my official Seal this 22nd day of December 1839.

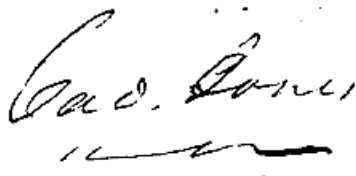
S/ J. Tayler, C.C.

[p 9: Power of attorney dated January 18, 1843 executed by Cadwallader Jones in Orange County North Carolina whereby he empowered his attorney Kenneth Rayner to pursue a claim for land warrant do the heirs of his father Captain Cadwallader Jones of Virginia Continental line.]

[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)] 3-page file under "Cad. Jones"

I do certify that I served three years successively as a Captain in Baylor's Regt. L. Dragoons [Light Dragoons]

S/ Cad. Jones

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Cad. Jones", with a horizontal flourish underneath.

[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)] 38-page file under "Cadwallder Jones"

To the Executive of Virginia

The undersigned begs leave most respectfully to make the following statement to your Honorable body. That in August 1835, he as attorney for the heirs of Major Cadwallader Jones of the Revolutionary Army presented their claim for Land bounty, as set forth in the note written by the undersigned, and which he begs leave again to refer to. That the claim was by the executive referred to the Commissioner on revolutionary claims, whose report, showing that the claim ought to be allowed as a Major for 6 years & nearly 3 months, is also particularly referred to, as also the Certificate of the Auditor, showing the services of Major C. Jones as a Major from the "1st January to 31st December 1781", & that he actually received the pay as such in his settlement. The undersigned begs the favor, that the Continental Register & the Continental Account books may be examined, in which it will be seen by the most authentic records on these subjects that in point of fact C. Jones was a Major of Cavalry and so it knowledge to be, & is settled with, & so paid at the time of his settlement – of the truth of these statements, the Records of your own state officers furnishes the most abundant proofs, if not the most irrefragable evidences of his rights to all the emoluments & pay of a Major.

The undersigned in candor acknowledges that the circumstances of the receipt of Land Bounty & Commutation pay as a Captain are circumstances which would seem to require some explanation. At this distant period the undersigned confesses his inability satisfactorily to make the explanations. At the period of settlement, just after the war closed, the paid to which both officers & soldiers were entitled was esteemed of so little value, that the cases are most abundant of officers having settled & received a great deal less than they were entitled to; and the presidents of officers having received land bounty for a grade below that in which they really were entitled to receive and who have since asked for the additional (as in this case) land bounty & have received it, are very numerous – [indecipherable word] (see Peter Hagners letter, last sentence) the circumstance of C. Jones being "deranged on the first of [indecipherable word], 1783" and not as an officer serving to the end of the war – may have had some influence in the reception of commutation pay only as a Captain – These are matters I cannot account for nor do I believe this can, or will, defeat the unequivocal fact that beyond doubt by your own Records, that C. Jones served as a Major & ought to have been paid as such, & all now to receive as such, – an affidavit of a revolutionary officer and a gentleman – known personally to some of your Honorable body (Mr. Ro. Bolling of Petersburg) is herewith filed in proof that C. Jones was a commissioned officer as a Major. The Revolution, and who says "he never knew the matter doubted." The undersigned confidently asks on the half of the Heirs of Major Jones, that they may be allowed the bounty land due to a Major for 6 years & 3 months, instead of a Captain's pay for that period – The undersigned most respectfully suggest in conclusion, whether the act recorded fact that C. Jones was a, recognize, and having served, and been paid as such can or ought to be rebutted by (so as to defeat this application) by the receipts heretofore as a Captain, but whether his receipts heretofore are not fairly referral to some reasons or causes which ought not to weigh against the proofs now shown to exist. The undersigned most respectfully asked and early consideration of this case.

February 7th, 1837

S/ John G Mosby, attorney for the
Heirs of Major C. Jones

Robert Bolling of the Town aforesaid says that he was living in the Town of Petersburg in the year 1779 long previous thereto that in that year he was the Commander of a Troop of Horse in the volunteer State service. That he then well knew Cadwallader Jones of [several indecipherably faint words] County who in 1779 commanded a Troop of horse in Colonel Baylor's Regiment – that in 1780 & in 1781 the said Cadwallader Jones & also Churchill Jones were officers in the same Regiment and were called Majors & both acted as Majors, as this affiant believes: this affiant knows that Cadwallader Jones was called Major in 1780 & in 1781, and that he was in the service the same part of the Country during those years he is very positive but he does not know in what particular part of the Country he served during those years. That after the peace, he returned & settled in Petersburg where he remained some time & was always called & considered as Major Jones. This affiant has every reason to believe that the said Cadwallader Jones was a commissioned Major in the Army in the years aforesaid & he has never heard this matter doubted. Given under my hand this 7th January 1837

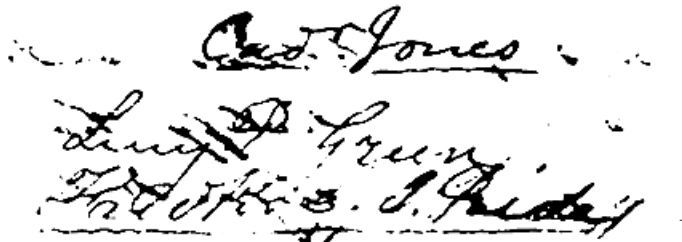
S/ Robert Bolling¹



[pp 7-9: Is the report of the commissioner on land applications, John H Smith, but the nincompoop who copied the images of this report chose to do so by not only splitting the image but posting part of them sideways.]

[Note: Almost all the documents in this file all posted either in split image fashion or the image is of such poor quality that it cannot be read. This is again a clear indictment of the incompetents of the folks who copied the documents for posting online. It is extremely frustrating that such valuable documents should be rendered useless as posted online. Just my opinion. Will Graves]

[pp 27-28: appears to be the actual petition by the alleged heirs of the veteran. Their names appear to be Cadwallader Jones, Lucy P. Green and Frederick L. J. Pride.



[p 29: split image]

This is to Certify, That it appears from a List in this Office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia Continental Line, during the Revolutionary War, as settled their Accounts, and received Certificates for the balance of their Full Pay, according to an Act of Assembly, passed the November Session 1781, that a Certificate issued on the 6 day of October 1783, in the name of Cad. Jones, as a Major of Cavalry for £810.6.9, which Certificate appears to have been

¹ [Robert Bolling S6689](#)

delivered to William Randolph and was given for services prior to the 1st January 1782.
To wit, Pay as Captain of Cav. from 6 February 1777 to 31 December 1780 and as Major from 1st
January to 31st December 1781

Given under my hand, at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this
6th day of August 1837.

S/Adam Smith, first clerk
Acting Auditor

[From [rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia](#)] 3-page file containing argument by attorney for the heirs to receive land bounty based on service as a Major instead of service as a Captain—same as set forth above.]