

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Richard Jones R1554

Sarah Butler¹

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State of Tennessee, Jackson County: SS

On this 23 day of April 1853 personally appeared before the undersigned a Justice of the Peace in Justice of the County Court of said County (which is a Court of Record) Sarah Butler a Resident of said County aged Eighty-nine years who being duly sworn according to law on her oath makes the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Provisions made by the Act of Congress passed on the 29th July 1848 granting Pensions to certain Widows

That She is the widow of Robert Butler and was formerly the widow of Richard Jones the Identical Richard Jones who was a Regular Soldier in the Revolution in the North Carolina line that he Enlisted sometime in the Spring 1776 for a tour of two and a half or three years, She thinks in a Company Commanded by Captain Turner [Jacob Turner] in the 2nd or 3rd Regiment of North Carolina Regular Troops that he continued in Service in said Company for about two years & six or more months as she has always understood from her said Husband and was discharged from said Service sometime in the fall or winter 1778 but the particular Battles or Country through which he marched affiant does not now Recollect but she does Recollect having heard her Husband say in his lifetime that he was Entitled to Land bounty but by some means, he never received it She further declares that She was married to the said Richard Jones in Sumner County State of Tennessee on the 24 day of March 1797 by James Douglass a Justice of the Peace that previous to her Marriage to the said Richard Jones her name was Sarah Campbell that her Husband the said Richard Jones Died in Wilkerson [sic, Wilkinson] County State of Mississippi on the 15th day of April 1805 after which time She Remained his widow till on the 31 day of February 1811 when she again Intermarried to Robert Butler in Wilkerson [sic Wilkinson] County State of Mississippi that her Husband Robert Butler Died in __ County State of Mississippi on the __ day of __ 1817 that since his death she has not again Intermarried but still Remains his widow She further Declares that She was not Married to the said Richard Jones previous to the expiration of his last Tour of Service but she was Married previous to 1800 at the time above Stated that She has no documentary or Record Evidence and Support of her claim the Family Record kept by her Husband having long since been Destroyed & nor does She know of anyone living by whom she can prove said Service but thinks she can prove or Marriage to said Richard Jones by Mrs. Campbell whose Evidence she will try to procure that the Reason she has not heretofore applied for a Pension is that she was of opinion till Recently that she was Excluded in Consequence of her second Marriage

¹ former widow

Sworn to & subscribed on the day and year above written before me.
S/ E. C. Crowell, JP

S/ Sarah Butler, X her mark

[p 9: copy of marriage bond dated March 23, 1797, given by Richard Jones and John Campbell, for the marriage of Jones to Sarah Campbell, given in Sumner County, Tenn.]

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North Carolina, Office of Secretary of State

I, William Hill, Secretary of State, in and for the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify, that it appears from the muster-rolls of the Continental line of this State, in the Revolutionary War, that Richard Jones, a private Soldier in Captain Turner's Company of the third Regiment, entered the service on the 15th of April 1776 for the term of two and a half years, and was discharged in October 1778.

Given under my hand this 29th day of July 1853.

S/ W. Hill, Secretary of State

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Office of Secretary of State Raleigh October 5th 1853

Sir

The name of Richard Jones appears on the muster Rolls of the Continental line of this State as a private in Captain Turner's company of the 3rd Regiment, and it further appears that a land warrant was issued to Richard Jones for 640 acres of land. The name of Richard Jones appears but once on the rolls.

Very respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

S/ W. Hill

L. P. Waldo

Commissioner of Pensions, Washington City DC

[facts in file: Sarah Butler died sometime in 1854; file does not contain any information about any children of either the claimant or the veteran.]