

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Jones<sup>1</sup> R5693

Catharine Jones

f75VA

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State of Virginia Orange County: Sc.

On this 29<sup>th</sup> day of August 1832 personally appeared in Open Court before the County Court of Orange County now sitting, James Jones, a resident of said County and State aforesaid aged seventy-three years last April, 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<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he first entered the service under James Hawkins who was a Captain of the Virginia Militia – he served under him upwards of one month having been called out for a tour of three months & his services were at Albemarle Barracks guarding the prisoners; he remained there until the Company to which he belonged returned. He recollects Colonel Francis Taylor, Colonel Bland in command there.

After this he served another tour of three months under Captain Richard Graves of Virginia Militia. He does not recollect the day of the month or year he entered the service or left it. In this second service he remembers the names of the following Officers with whom he was in service – Colonel Oliver Towles, General George Weedon, Captain Miller who went at the same time with a company from the upper end of Orange upon this last tour he served at the siege of York several months; that he resided in the County of Orange at the time of entering the service as above stated – and has continued to reside in said County ever since – that he was not engaged in any battles though there were engagements while he was at York in which a part of the Army were engaged – Colonel Mercer of the Grenadiers and a part of the French Cavalry were in the fight and passed by where he was stationed. He recollects the names of Major Cary and also of Major Campbell of the light infantry, General Weedon also was there and two French Generals whose names he does not recollect. He saw General Lafayette there but we were on the Gloucester side and Lafayette was on the York side. That Philemon Richards<sup>2</sup> and Ambrose Richards<sup>3</sup> can testify to his services – he further states that he has no record of his age. He never received any discharge but were merely dismissed after the tour of duty was over. He states that the following persons in his neighborhood know him and he has no doubt will testify as to his veracity – Philemon Richards, Ambrose Jones, Elijah Jones, Colonel Thomas Row, Major Grasty and in deed his neighbors generally can testify as to his character for veracity and their belief of

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<sup>1</sup> BLWt33534-160-55

<sup>2</sup> [Philemon Richards S5996](#)

<sup>3</sup> [Ambrose Richards S5999](#)

his services but most of them or not present.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid  
signed "James Jones"

We Philemon Richards and Elijah Jones residing in the County of Orange hereby certify that we are well acquainted with James Jones who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration – that we believe him to be 73 years of age – that he is reputed and believed in the neighborhood where he resides to have been a soldier of the Revolution and that we know him to have so served.

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid  
S/ Philemon Richards  
S/ Elijah Jones

State of Virginia County of orange

On this 20<sup>th</sup> day of May in the year 1853 personally appeared [paper damaged and text illegible] undersigned a justice of the Peace in and for the said County Catharine Jones resident of [paper damaged and text illegible] County of Orange State of Virginia who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the provisions of the Acts of Congress approved June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832 that she is the widow of the late James Jones & her deceased husband James Jones was a soldier in the war of the Revolution and who served in the \_\_\_ forces of the State of \_\_\_ and in manner herein after set forth and described viz.: that he first entered the Revolutionary services on or about the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_ 1776 in Captain \_\_\_ in Colonel \_\_\_

Further declares that she Catharine Jones was married to said James Jones on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of September in the year 1785 that her husband the aforesaid James Jones died on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of February 1841 and that she has remained a widow ever since that period. A register of family marriages deaths & births of her family is here with annexed marked A. as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereunto annexed.

S/ Catharine Jones, X her mark

[p 9: family register]

James Jones and Caty Robison was married the 15 day of September 1785

and their son Thomas Jones was born on tuesday the 4 day of July 1786

and their daughter Bethsey Jones was born on wensday the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July 1788

and their son James Jones was born on Monday the 10 day of January 1791

And their son Fiealden Jones was born on fryday the 30 day of November 1792

and their son John Jones was born on the 16 day of October on thursday 1794

And their Daughter Lucey Jones was born on February 14<sup>th</sup> day on Monday night 1797

and their son Israel Jones was born in December 4<sup>th</sup> day on Tuesday morning 1798

and their daughter Caty Jones was born on Monday the 18 of January 1801

And their daughter Zillah Jones was born Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> day of January 1803

Richards Jones was born February 16<sup>th</sup> on Saturday Morning 1805

Also Jones was born the 9<sup>th</sup> day of July 1807 on wensday Evening and deceased on Sunday evening 26<sup>th</sup> of June 1808

Churchwell Jones was born Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> of April 1809

Milly Jones was born June 17 [several illegible words] [looks like 1812 but very faint]

David was born on Sunday night 4<sup>th</sup> day of October 1816

[The veteran's widow was allowed her bounty land entitlement under the 1855 act for the application she filed March 21, 1855 at aged 87 when she was still a resident of Orange County Virginia. In May 1853 the names of the surviving children of the soldier and his wife were given as: James, Elizabeth Forkner, Fielding, John, Lucy Mason, Israel, Catharine Mason, \_\_[paper torn] Johnston, Richard, Churchwell, and Milley Mason