

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Jones R5717

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State of Georgia, Columbia County

On this the fourth day of December, 1855, personally came before me Stephen Drane a Judge of the Inferior Court for and in said County in State, Mrs. Martha Jones, formerly, Martha Dixon of Richmond County NC who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath say, that, she knew well and long John Jones, the father of Elizabeth Cliatt of this County & State, and his wife Francis Jones [sic, Frances Jones], and, the said Jones John [sic] died in the year 1842, on the fourth of January; and, I further declare and say I saw buried in this County & State, I assisted in laying out, and, I also declare, that, I know Mrs. Elizabeth Cliatt to be the only living child of the said John Jones, and his late wife Frances Jones, both of whom are dead.

I, also, declare and say, that, the said John Jones to the best of my knowledge, and believe, was a real soldier of the Revolutionary war, and, I am probably the only living person in this Country, who knew John Jones, and, who can identify him, as her father, & that, I know to be correct as I knew both the old people, know the day of their day [sic, death?], saw one buried, and, having no record of it, as no member of the family could put it down. The said John Jones entered the war, as I ever heard in SC & fought hard during the struggle in 1776 to 1783. This is all I knew of it.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year above.

S/ Martha Jones, X her mark

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State of Georgia, Columbia County

On this the Fourth day of December 1855 personally appeared before me Stephen Drane a Judge of the Inferior Court, a Court of Record, for and in the County and State aforesaid Mrs. Elizabeth Cliatt, a resident of the County of Columbia, in State, aged Fifty Nine, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of Act of Congress, passed June 7th, 1832, for services rendered in the War of the Revolution by her deceased Father, the late John Jones, who entered the war in the State of South Carolina, and served from 1776 to 1783, under Captain (not recollected), and Colonel \_\_, and fought as herein stated, as near as the declarant can testify; at Eutaw Springs [Battle of Eutaw Springs, September 8, 1781] in 17\_\_ and at Orangeburg in 17\_\_ and at Charleston

And she hereby declares, that, if John Jones her said father, ever drew a Pension, she is not aware of it, but she thinks he once attempted it, and failed from some informality, on account

of a property schedule law of 1820, And she further declares, she is the identical and only living child of her Father, the late John Jones, who fought and served as stated, and, who died on the fourth day of [indecipherable word, looks like "Dem"],<sup>1</sup> 1842, in the County of Columbia, as will appear by prove hereunto annexed. And she hereby relinquishes every claim whatever, in the name and title of her said Father, to any Pension or Annuity whatever, except the present, and she declares, his name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State, that she is aware of, and, if it is she hereby relinquishes this application.

Sworn to, and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Elizabeth Cliatt, X her mark

[Henry Ramsay and R. W. Jones gave the standard supporting affidavit.]