

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Matthew Jones R5728

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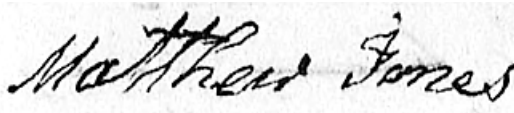
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State of North Carolina, Robeson County: Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions November Term 1837

Be it Remembered that this 27th day of November 1837 Matthew Jones of said County personally appeared in open Court and made oath to the following facts or declarations to entitle him to the benefit of a Pension under the Act of Congress passed the 7th of June 1832. That he is nearly Eighty-three years old being born the 9th day of December 1754 That he entered the service of the United States as a private soldier in the County of Cumberland State of North Carolina under Captain Israel Folsom [Israel Folsome] of that County and served a tour of five months that he was marched from Cumberland County through the counties of Sampson (then a part of Duplin County) and Bladen into New Hanover near to Moore's Creek for the purpose of joining Colonel Caswell's [Gen. Richard Caswell's] Regiment, that before our company arrived the fight [Battle of Moore's Creek Bridge, February 27, 1776]¹ had taken place at Moore's Creek bridge between Colonel Caswell's troops Colonel Lillington's [John Alexander Lillington's] troops and the Tories under Colonel McLeod [Lt. Col. Donald McLeod] who was killed in the Battle, that after the battle we were marched up Cape Fear River and engaged in the pursuit of the Tories until we were discharged. Isaac Atkins was the Lieutenant of the Company commanded by Captain Folsom, this service he believes was performed in the summer & fall of the year 1778. He next entered the service as a volunteer private soldier under Captain William Moore who was attached to Colonel Thomas Brown's Regiment and served six months during this service he was engaged against the Tories in the Counties of Bladen & Robeson in about the South Carolina line, John Willis was Lieutenant in Captain Moore's Company this service was performed in the Spring & Summer of 1780. He again entered the service as a volunteer private soldier under Captain Moore and served a Tour of five months in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Thomas Brown, this Service was performed in the counties of laden & Robeson and in South Carolina John Willis was Lieutenant during this service. He further declares that there are known of his Comrades now surviving by whom he can prove his services. That he does not recollect any other Officers who were in service with him that, owing to his age and infirmities and loss of memory he is unable to state with more distinctness his several tours.

S/ Matthew Jones



¹ http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_moores_creek.html

Sworn to and Subscribed in Open Court the day aforesaid
S/ Seth[?] Howell, Clk

[David Hartsfield, Samuel Britt and Henry Bullard gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 5: On November 25, 1852 in Robeson County North Carolina, Susannah Jones executed a power of attorney in which she identifies herself as the daughter of Matthew Jones, deceased, a revolutionary war soldier. She signed this document with her mark.]

p 20: Certificate from the North Carolina Comptroller of Public accounts listing payments made to someone named Matthew Jones for services in the revolutionary war as follows:

State of North Carolina
Comptroller's Office

I, William S. Clarke, Comptroller of Public accounts, in and for the State aforesaid do hereby certify that it appears of record in my Office among the payments made by said State to sundry persons for Military services in the Revolutionary War, as follows, to wit:

"Matthew Jones."

Book	No.	P.	lb.	£	s.	
				11	5	
"	A	"	11	"	4	
"	"	"	4	"	29	£ 57. 8. 0 Oct: 1780
"	"	"	"	29		£ 89. 17. 5 Aug 1783
"	"	"	14	"	56	£ 8. 14. 9 Hillsboro. District
"	G	"	3259	"		£ 151. 5. 1
"	"	"	1652	"		£ 18. 14. 4

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of Office this the 27th day February 1854.

Wm. S. Clarke, Compt'r.

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