

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Jones S13542

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State of Alabama, Morgan County: Orphants [sic] Court Special Term

On this fourteenth day of December in the year 1832 personally appeared in open Court before the Charles McPeters [? could be W Peters] the Judge of said Court now sitting John Jones a resident of said County of Morgan State of Alabama of seventy-three years of age who being first sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress as June 7th 1832 That he entered the Service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated to wit -- He entered the Regular service under Capt. Robert Raford [Robert Raiford] Lieut. William Lewis and Ensign Joel Lewis in January 1779 -- in the State of North Carolina and he resided in Guilford County in said State when he entered the service. Henry Dixon was Major and Archibald Leitle [Archibald Lytle] was Col. and Joined General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln] at Purrysburg Old field on the Savannah River sometime in January of the same year and marched to Augusta in Georgia and on to near brier Creek and crossed into South Carolina and from there to Bacons bridge and from there to Ashley Hill and from there to Stono ferry in South Carolina and had an engagement there with the British which battle was about the twenty first day of June 1779 [sic, Battle of Stono ferry, June 20, 1779]<sup>1</sup> -- and from a jar of a Cannon Ball he was disabled and remained as an invalid at Stono ferry a short time and then marched to Bacons bridge and remained there a short time and marched to Moncks Corner -- and thence went as a guard to guard Tory prisoners under the Command of Col. Archibald Lytle -- and Capt. William Lytle to Salisbury and there he was discharged the nineteenth day of August 1779 and received a discharge from Col. Archibald Lytle -- which has been lost for some years -- he served in the militia service in 1777 about the first January under the Command of Lieut. James Campbell Capt. Robert Bell and Col. John Pasley [John Paisley] he served until in spring about the first of April was marched to Camden and remained there until discharged he received a discharge signed by Capt. Robert Bell -- He entered the militia service again about the last of February in 1780 and served a three months Tower [Tour] under the Command of Capt. William Bethel Lieut. Richard Vaunham [Richard Vaughan?] and Ensign Robert Nelson and General Richard Caswell and Col. Bluford [Buford?] was in the regular service who was with us at Moncks Corner and was marched from Guilford County to near Moncks Corner and returned back to Camden when we separated from the Regulars -- and were marched back home before discharged & in the fall of the same year I was again in the service of the Militia under Capt.

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<sup>1</sup> [http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution\\_stono\\_ferry.html](http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_stono_ferry.html)

William Pierce and Col. John Paisley and served about 6 weeks and was discharged -- he states he has no documentary evidence of his service and he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify as to his service I hereby relinquish every Claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declare that my name is not on the pension Roll of the Agency of any State

Questions propounded by the Court and answers

1<sup>st</sup> Where and in what year were you born?

A: I was born in Orange County North Carolina in the year 1759 the 29<sup>th</sup> [could be 27<sup>th</sup>] day of May

2<sup>nd</sup> Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

A: I have none

3<sup>rd</sup> Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

A: I lived in Guilford County North Carolina when I entered the service I lived in the same place until 1801 when I moved to Sumner County Tennessee and resided in that County about 3 years when I moved to Wilson County in same state and lived there several years and moved in Marion County Alabama lived 2 years and moved back to Wilson County and there lived about 2 years and from there to Waine [Wayne] County in the same state and from there to the County of Morgan State of Alabama where I have lived about 3 years & where I now live

The 4th question I have answered

I have stated the names of the Regular officers as far as I can recollect

As to the 6th question propounded I have answered

7 question states I am known to Joseph Hunter and Samuel Hunter of my neighborhood and who can testify as to my character for veracity and good behavior and that I am generally reputed and believed to be a soldier of the Revolutionary War.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ M. M. MacKenzie, Clk

S/ John James, J his mark

[Joseph Hunter and Samuel Hunter gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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An Amended Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress of the 7<sup>th</sup> of June 1832

State of Alabama, Morgan County: SS

On this 8<sup>th</sup> day of June 18[last 2 digits missing, acknowledged in 1833] Personally appeared in open Court before the Orphans [sic] Court of Morgan County now sitting John Jones a resident of said County of Morgan and State of Alabama who being first sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following amendment to his original Declaration filed in this court on the fourteenth day of December 1832 and of which this is prayed to be made part as to the first Tour of duty described in his original Declaration as one served in the Regular Service of the United States he states that his attorney in penning down his original declaration erred in stating the time of entry the Regular Service it should be stated that he entered the service of the United States at this tower on the fifth of May 1778 instead of 1779 as stated and served until the 19th day of August 1779 making his Term of service one year and three months and thirteen days in the second tour mentioned in his declaration he entered the service on the first of January 1777 and served three months and no more -- there is no living witness by whom he can prove his

service this applicant will state that he has not lived in the County of Morgan State of Alabama more than three years and that no Clergyman resides in his neighborhood who can testify for him this applicant will state that he could procure a clergyman to depose for him in Tennessee but it would be attended with great Expense this applicant will state that the witnesses who have signed his original Declaration were well acquainted with him in Tennessee and are rather respectable men and now resides in his immediate neighborhood and that he hopes their testimony will be sufficient.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ M. M. MacKenzie, Clk CC

S/ John Jones, J his mark

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State of North Carolina, Secretary of State's Office

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State aforesaid, do certify that it appears from the musterrolls of the Continental line of this State in the revolutionary war, that John Jones a private in Capt. Raiford's Company of the 10<sup>th</sup> Regiment, enlisted the 27<sup>th</sup> day of May 1778 for the War, that he was "mustered February 1779" and that nothing more is said of him on said rolls.

Given under my hand this 12<sup>th</sup> day of August 1833

S/ Wm Hill

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The Second Amendment to and Original Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress of the 7<sup>th</sup> of June 1832

State of Alabama, Morgan County: SS Orphans Court and said County on the 11th day of October 1833

Personally appeared in open Court before the Judge of said Court John Jones a resident of said County of Morgan who had heretofore filed his original Declaration in this Court and his amended Declaration and files this his second amendment who after being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following amendment (to wit) That as to the manner of his quitting the Service he has before stated that he was discharged by Col. Archibald Lytle and received a discharge which has been long since lost that the Circumstance of his discharge was this that this affiant believed he had entered the service for nine months that he had been kept over that time a great time, that while under the command of Capt. Raiford at Moncks Corner there was some Tory Prisoners brought there from Charleston that had been taken in Georgia and the affiant was there stationed at Moncks Corner and was detached from Capt. Raiford's Company to guard said Prisoners from Moncks Corner to Salisbury under the Command of Capt. William Lytle and this affiant being of opinion that he had entered the Continental service for a term of months and not for during the War he was discharged as was stated in his original Declaration by Col. Archibald Lytle who gave his discharge this affiant states that if the terms of the enlistment were for during the war it was unknown to him, he states he was informed and believes that all the balance of Capt. Raiford's Company was discharged immediately after this affiant left Moncks Corner which shows that this affiant was not mistaken as to the term of his enlistment

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ M. M. MacKenzie, Clk

S/ John Jones, J his mark

[p 13: On September 15, 1836, Mary Jones filed a statement in Morgan County, Alabama, stating that she is the widow of John Jones; she included a copy of his pension certificate showing him to be entitled to \$61.44/ annum; signed with her mark.]

[Certificate No. 22447; veteran died September 3, 1836.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$61.44 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private in both the North Carolina Continental line and in the militia for a total of 18 months and 13 days.]