

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Richard Jones S2654

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State of Kentucky Barren County

On this 25<sup>th</sup> day of August 1832 personally appeared before the Subscriber one of the Commonwealth's justices of the peace in & for the aforesaid County Richard Jones a resident citizen of said County who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by act of Congress passed the 7<sup>th</sup> of June 1832 providing for certain surviving officers & soldiers of the Army of the revolution, Saith that he is now upwards of eighty-seven years old that he was at the commencement of the revolution a citizen of Brunswick County Virginia, that he was three times drafted into the service, that one of the tours he has no recollection of neither the time the place where he went nor anything pertaining to the same – That in the year of the Battle of Guilford Courthouse [March 15, 1781] he was drafted in Brunswick County, marched across the Rhoneoak River [Roanoke River] and to Guilford Courthouse but did not arrive until after the Battle was fought – Saw some collection of Tories about Guilford, don't recollect the name of any of the officers nor any particular incidents – that occurred during the Campaign don't recollect how long he was out but thinks it was a long tour received a legal discharge which has long since been lost or left in the hands of some Friend now forgotten, he then removed from Brunswick County to Henry County Virginia was there drafted in Captain David Bartens Company in the latter part of spring or first of summer in the year 1781 was marched on through Richmond and to Williamsburg and was stationed there. Saw all General Washington there heard the cannon fire down at York recollects a firing of guns that took place between the guards, they were then paraded and stretched a line across the road from woods to woods directly a large body of French came up our line was opened and they marched through to the front then General Washington came up with a body of troops and also marched through to the Front recollects no officers but his Captain David Barten and General Washington, was discharged the latter part of September he thinks a week or 2 before the Surrender of York by Corn Wallace [Cornwallis, October 19, 1781] – received a legal discharge which he thinks he afterwards gave to his Captain David Barten, that he marched from Williamsburg home to Henry County being very sick and without a cent of money – don't recollect what length of time all his services amounted to – was in no engagement removed from Virginia in 1806 or 1807 to Warren County Kentucky & from Warren to Allen County – & from Alan to Barren County where I have lived for the last 10 or 11 years – he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and further declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the United States or agency of any State.

Sworn to & subscribed before me the day and year first above written.  
S/ Wm B. Cook, JP  
S/ Richard Jones, X his mark  
[Ralph Petty, a clergyman, Abner Barten & Absalom Poulson gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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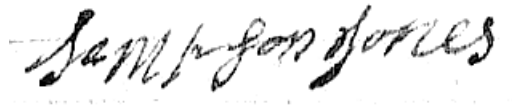
On this 12<sup>th</sup> day of April 1833 personally appeared before the Subscriber one of the Commonwealth's justices of the peace in & for the County of aforesaid Richard Jones and made oath to the following statements in addition to the statements contained in his first declaration dated the 25<sup>th</sup> of August 1832 – that he served in the war of the Revolution three militia Tours amounting in all to eight months or more, that he has no documentary evidence of his services and knows of no person by whom he can prove his Services except his son Sampson Jones who was young at the time but old enough to have some recollection of his services & further that he has now procured or found a record of his age, that he was born the 9<sup>th</sup> of May 1745, the record is in his own possession, that by reason of old age & consequent loss of memory he cannot swear to the extent of the time he thinks he served but has said as above eight months which Services was rendered in the capacity of a private Soldier.

& further that he was born on the Rappahannock River Essex County Virginia.

S/ Richard Jones, X his mark

This day Sampson Jones personally appeared before the subscriber an acting justice of the peace in & for the County of barren & State of Kentucky and made oath he remembers of his father Richard Jones being twice called into the service in the war of the Revolution, one when living in Brunswick County Virginia and one when living in Henry County Virginia and that he is now going on 62 years of age.

S/ Sampson Jones

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Sampson Jones'.

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$26.66 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 8 months in the Virginia militia.]