

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Alexander Jones S34939

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War Department

I certify that in conformity with the act of Congress of the 25th of April 1808, entitled "An Act concerning Invalid Pensioners" Alexander Jones was placed on the Pension List of the United States [paper damaged and part of the text is missing] Maryland Agency [paper damaged and part of the text is missing] rate of \$3.33 cents per month.

Given at the War Office of the United States this 4th day of September 1811

N. B. This Certificate is granted him move of one formerly issued to said Alexander Jones which declares to be lost.

S/ W. Eustis

Prince Georges County State of Maryland

This is to certify that Alexander Jones a revolutionary Soldier and now a citizen of Prince Georges County and State aforesaid personally appeared before me one of the act associate Judges of the first Judicial District of Maryland composed of the Counties of St. Mary's, Charles and Prince Georges and made oath that he enlisted in the Army about the year 1779 as well as he recollects in the company commanded by Captain Thomas Ewell, which was afterwards commanded by a Captain Evan [last name written over and illegible] the said company was attached to the first Regiment of the Virginia line commanded by Colonel Gibson [perhaps John Gibson] and afterwards by Colonel Beaufort [Abraham Buford] – that after the defeat at Guilford Court House [March 15, 1781] the Regiment was turned over to the command of Colonel Hawes [Samuel Hawes] who commanded him until the end of the War – that his enlistment was to serve during the war which he faithfully complied with and executed. That he served principally in the Southern Army under General Green [Nathanael Greene]. That he was severely wounded; is now advanced in years with a family dependent on his labor & exertions; and is in reduced circumstances and stands greatly in need of his government's assistance.

Sworn to the 8 day of March 1818

S/ John Rousby Plater

The said Alexander Jones states that he is now in the receipt of a pension of \$64 per annum which he hereby releases from and after the time at which he shall be inscribed on the pension list under the act passed at the present Session of the calendars of the United States – March 8th, 1818

S/ Alexander Jones, X his mark

Test

S/ J. R. Plater

Prince George's County Maryland SS

On this ___ day of ___ 1820, personally appeared in open court being a court of record, proceeding according to the course of common law and having jurisdiction unlimited in amount for the said County of Prince George's & state of Maryland Alexander Jones aged sixty years resident near Bladensburg in said County who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows: in the first Virginia Regiment which was commanded by Colonel Haws [sic] in the company of Thomas Ewell as a private for three years & four months, part of which time deponent was in the hospital, & when this deponent first enlisted he enlisted for the war. That he was in the battles of Camden [probably the second battle of Camden, Hobkirk Hill, April 25, 1781], Guilford Court [March 15, 1781], and where he was wounded, that he has received a pension which commenced on the 25th March 1818 as per Certificate dated 11th April 1818 & was inscribed on the pension list roll of the Maryland agency. The No. of certificate is obliterated, and I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed Schedule of all my property

2 milk cows, 2 calves, & 2 yearlings, 2 horses, 2 pigs, 1 cart & gear, 2 saddles, 1 bridle, 3 hogs, 3 axes, 1 manure fork, 2 plows, 1 Bureau, 2 cupboards & 1 small table, 2 spinning wheels, 1 linen wheel, 4 old chairs, 15 plates & dishes, 1 iron pot, 1 Dutch oven & frying pan, 8 milk pots & pans, 1 gun, 1 pair fire tongs & shovel – no real or mixed property – I follow the occupation of farming on a piece of land I rent of Colonel Deakins – am sickly old & feeble – have a wife & seven children living my wife is named Mary aged about 40 years – my children are John about 21 years old – William about 19 years old – Lucy about 14 years old – Nancy about 10 years old, Mary about 8 years old, Henry about 5 years old born deformed in his foot & Charles going 3 years old.

S/ Alexander Jones, X his mark

[Attested September 12, 1820]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing March 25, 1818, for service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]