

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Cotter Jones S34946 ¹

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State of Maryland Worcester County Sct.

I James B Robins an Associate Judge of the 4th Judicial District of the State of Maryland do hereby certify that on this twenty sixth Day of May in the year of our Lord 1819 appeared before me a certain Cotter Jones aged Sixty years of the said County and State a Soldier of the late Revolutionary War – who being by me first sworn on the holy Evangely of Almighty God doth make the following declaration in order to entitle him to the provision of the late Act of Congress Entitled An Act to provide for certain Persons engaged in the Land & Naval Service of the United States in the late Revolutionary War viz. That he the said Cotter Jones enlisted on or about April 1782 in the Company commanded by Capt. Richard Waters and served after being sent from Somerset County to Annapolis joined the 2nd Maryland Regiment commanded by Col. Davidson. That he served until the End of the Revolutionary War – That he was in several skirmishes, and in the Battle of Little York at the capture of Cornwallis [October 19, 1781] – That he is now in reduced and indigent circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support – And that he has no other Evidence than can be furnished from the Records at Annapolis of his service & Discharge.

Sworn before

S/ James B Robins, Associate Judge

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Auditor's Office, Annapolis, March 30th, 1820

I hereby certify, that it appears from the pay-rolls remaining in the Auditor's Office, that Cotter Jones private received from John Hamilton, agent of the Maryland line the sum of \$ __ for arrears of pay from the __ to the __. Also, the sum of \$48.80 for pay from the 1st of January 82 to the 1st of January 83 – and also the sum of \$43.30 from the 1st of January 83 to the 15th of November 83 – when his time expired

S/ Thos. Karney, A. G. S. Md.

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In the Records and proceedings of the County Court of Somerset in the State of Maryland is filed and contained as follows viz.

¹ BLWt2250-100

Schedule

State of Maryland Somerset County

On this 30th day of November 1820 personally appeared in Open Court being a Court of record having Civil and Criminal Jurisdiction to an unlimited extent for the said County of Somerset in the State of Maryland Cotter Jones aged 57 years resident in Somerset County in said district of Maryland who being 1st sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary War as follows – he enlisted in April 1781 under Capt. Richard Waters, Served in a Regiment commanded by Col. John Gunby and served till the year 1783 and was discharged from the 2nd Maryland Regiment by Capt. James Pendigrass [James Pendergrass?], was in the battle at little York and refers to the Original declaration made 26th May A.D. 1819 and his pension Certificate No. 16633 dated the 3rd day of April 1820. 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. That this deponent follows the Occupation of a laborer and by affliction is incapable to support himself, he has one old bed, five chairs, one pot, an oven, a skillet and some knives & forks and five bushels of Corn, a small quantity of work [?]², a wife & 4 children the name of his wife is Nancy aged 38 years very infirm & sickly his son Henry is aged 13 years, his son Francis is aged 11 years, his son James is aged 8 years.

S/ Cotter Jones, X his mark

[The court valued the property scheduled at a value of \$10]

[p 3: Receipt dated Princess Ann County March 19, 1839 acknowledging the receipt of a 100 acre land warrant in favor of Francis Jones & James Jones, the only heirs at law of Cotter Jones, signed by James Polk.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing May 26, 1819, for service as a private for 2 years in the Maryland Continental line