## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Francis Jones S36653
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District of North Carolina

On this Thirtieth day of May 1818, before me the Subscriber, one of the Judges of the United States for the District aforesaid, personally appeared Francis Jones, aged between fifty & sixty years resident in the County of Wake in said District, who being by me first duly sworn, according to law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by 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 Revolutionary War:" That sometime in the latter part of the revolutionary war, he the said Francis Jones, volunteered for eighteen months as a private soldier, under Captain Elijah Moore, until he joined head quarters, & was then put under Captain Sharp [Anthony Sharpe], of the 10th Regiment, in the North Carolina line, on the Continental establishment and the Revolutionary war, against the common enemy; that he continued to serve in said Corps, until the end of the war, which was a service of twelve months, & then obtained a furlough in Chatham County North Carolina & was never called on for service afterwards, which furlough he has lost -- that he was in no battle in the regular Army; but was in Gates defeat [Battle of Camden, August 15-16, 1780] as a Militia man and that he is in reduced circumstances, & stands in need of the assistance of his country for support.

Sworn to & declared before me, the day & year aforesaid.

S/ H. Potter, DJUSNC

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State of North Carolina, Secretary's Office 30th May 1818

I William Hill Secretary of State in and for the State aforesaid, do hereby certify, that Francis Jones appears to have enlisted on the \_\_ day of \_\_ 1782 as a private Soldier for eighteen months in Captain Sharp 's Company of the 10th Regiment of the Continental line of said State.

Given under my hand the date above S/Wm Hill

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District of North Carolina

Thomas Dicken<sup>1</sup> oath states that he has long been well acquainted with Francis Jones the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> THIS MAY BE THE MAN IDENTIFIED AS <u>Thomas Dickens S41509</u>, who claimed service under Capt. Bacot in Archibald Lytle's Regiment in the NC line.

within applicant for a pension; and knows that he served in the 10th Regiment of the North Carolina line, on the Continental establishment, in the war of the revolution, against the common enemy, but what length of time he served, deponent does not know.

Sworn to before me the 30th May 1818

S/ Thomas Dicken, X his mark

S/ H. Potter, DJUSNC

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State of North Carolina, Caswell County

On this 12th day of January 1821, personally appeared in open Court of the County Court of Pleas & quarter Sessions of the County & State aforesaid, which said Court is a Court of Record, by the laws of said State, & the powers and extension of its Jurisdiction: Francis Jones, aged between sixty-five & seventy years, resident in the said County of Caswell, in the State aforesaid, who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth on his Oath, declare that he served in the Revolutionary War, as follows: In the 10th The Regiment of North Carolina on Continental establishment commanded by Colonel Archibald Litle [Lytle], company Commanded by Henry Sharp that he enlisted for eighteen months, immediately before the Conclusion of the war, & served of that time, about twelve months: that he was not as a regular soldier in any battle, but was a militia man at Gates defeat: that he has received a pension Certificate, which entitles him to draw from 30th of May 1818 & that he has as well as he [several indecipherable words] last: that his Certificate is Numbered 5442.

And I the said Francis Jones, do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or other wise 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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

A Schedule of the property of Francis Jones

2 sow & 7 pigs	\$10
2 pots, one skillet & frying pan	7
2 axes & one [indecipherable]	4
One old Bed	10
Has owing to him about	18
And owes about \$150	\$49

The deponent further declares, that by occupation, he is a ditcher, & has with him the following children, John about 14 years old, Betsy 9 years old; Nathaniel 7 years old--& the wife of deponent about 51 years old.

S/ Francis Jones, X his mark

[On March 7, 1839 in Wayne County, Indiana, Jones filed for a transfer of his pension payments to that place as he had moved there as his children have removed from North Carolina to Indiana. He signed this document with his mark.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing May 30, 1818, for service as a

private in the North Carolina Continental line.]