

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Jones S4453

f20VA

Transcribed by Will Graves

1/20/14

[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. The word 'illegible' or 'indecipherable' appearing in brackets indicates that at the time I made the transcription, I was unable to decipher the word or phrase in question. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading skills fail to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8th of June 1786." Please call material errors or omissions to my attention.]

[Note: words in italics only show what on the HeritageQuest.com version of this application]

State of Ohio Jackson County SS

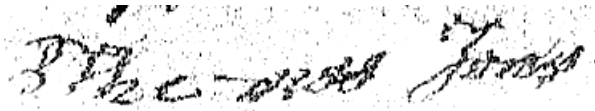
On this 19th day of September A.D. 1832 personally appeared before the Judges of the Court of common Pleas of Jackson County, Ohio, Thomas Jones, a resident of Madison Township in the County of Jackson & State of Ohio aged eighty-two years next March who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he joined the Army of the United States and entered its service under the following named officers and served as herein stated: That is to say: that sometime during the Revolutionary War, the year, by reason of his age and loss of memory he is unable to state, and when he resided in Charlotte County Virginia he was drafted into the militia service for a tour of three months, & into the company commanded by Captain Thomas Williams, & Lieutenant William Marshall, who were under the command of Colonel Thomas Reed [Thomas Read, Reade, Reid]. That he marched from Charlotte County Virginia to Gates defeat in North Carolina [sic South Carolina, Battle of Camden August 15 – 16, 1780], where he served during the term aforesaid and was dismissed at Hillsborough in North Carolina.

That some considerable time after he returned home, he thinks some years, though as to time he is not certain for the reason aforesaid he enlisted, at Charlotte County Virginia where he still resided in the Company commanded he thinks (but of this he is not positive) by one Captain Sandford. That his Company was under the command of Major Edmund Read a neighbor of his at that time, who is long since deceased. That the period for which he enlisted he thinks was 5 years. That immediately *after the enlistment aforesaid he was sent by Major Read in company with a brother in law* of his to Botetourt County to bring down to Prince Edward County eight or ten enlisted soldiers which service he performed. That he was afterwards for some days engaged by the direction of the Major in collecting several horses that had strayed but belonged to the Light Horse – said Major's Regiment being a Light Horse Regiment. That under this enlistment he served six months when he was discharged, by writing, under the hand of Major Read (which has since lost by time or accident) at Charlotte Court House. That the aforesaid Major was at the time he was discharged well acquainted with the condition of his family, and knew that it was large, consisting of a wife and eight or nine children; that he was in indigent circumstances, and that they required his personal attention and care, which he thinks was the reason of his being discharged as aforesaid.

That afterwards and when he was residing in Halifax County Virginia, he was drafted as a soldier for a tour of 6 months, into the company commanded by Captain Parham Booker, under whom he marched to the lower part of said County, where he and he hired a substitute and returned home. That in the year 1784 & when he was about to move to Petersburg Virginia the aforesaid Major Read gave him a recommendation which is here with forwarded to the Department of War. That he has no documentary Evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service. That he was born in South Carolina in 1751; That he formerly had the record of his age in his Bible, taken from his father's Bible, both of which have been long since worn out – That he resided in Campbell County Virginia for thirty odd years, since the Revolution: That in 1819 he moved to Ohio and has lived for about five years past in Jackson County Ohio where he now lives.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a Pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of the Agency of any State.

S/ Thomas Jones

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Thomas Jones", is written over a light, textured background.

[Theophilus Blake, a clergyman, and Samuel Redabough gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[To a letter in the file dated August 4, 1847 sent from Bryan Williams County Ohio contains the statement that the veteran died February 28, 1838 in Williams County of Ohio at which time 2 years of arrearages had accrued on his pension.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 9 months in the Virginia militia.]