

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Peter Jones S8772
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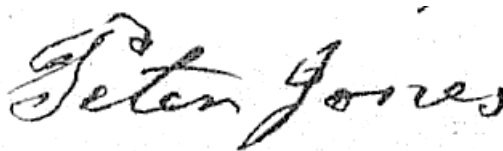
State of North Carolina, Warren County

On this 12th day of May 1818 Before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the Superior Courts of Law and Courts of Equity for the said State personally appeared Peter Jones aged Seventy years a resident County 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 and naval Service of the United States in the Revolutionary War". That he the said Peter Jones entered the Service of the United States in the Spring of the year 1776 in the character of first Lieutenant in the Company commanded by Captain John Jones in the County of Dinwiddie in the State of Virginia. That he continued to serve in said Company six months, that the said Company belonged to the sixth Virginia Regiment of the regular Army – That in the month of January 1777 in the State of Virginia he received a Commission as Captain of a Company in the 14th Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel William Davis [William Davies], that he Joined said Regiment the same Winter at the Northward at the Valley Forge whilst in winter quarters; that he was attached to that Regiment until July 1779 at which time he was ordered to the Southward in the character of Captain with his Company under the command of Col. Richard Parker of the regular Army, that he remained in the regular service till the capture of Charleston in the winter of 1779 [sic, May 1780], that his Company was captured there at that time, that he at that time was absent upon furlough through severe indisposition – that after he recovered from sickness he still held his Commission but was not afterwards in actual Service in the regular Army. But served in the Militia as Major in almost every detachment that was ordered out in the State of Virginia till the close of the war. And that his commission of Captain as aforesaid and has been when many years ago, as he had no idea it would be of any service to him afterwards. That he was in the battle of Monmouth [June 28, 1778], and at the Siege of Savannah [September 16 – October 18, 1779]. That he is in reduced circumstances & stands in need of the assistance of his Country for a support; that he has no other evidence of his services now in his power.

Sworn to, declared and Signed before me, the year and day aforesaid.

S/ Jn. Hall, J. J. C. L. E.

S/ Peter Jones



[p 27: On August 28, 1820 in Warren County North Carolina, the veteran filed the required schedule of his property. This document contained no additional descriptions of his military services. In this document he states that he has no white family but one daughter of age. I have elected not to transcribe

this document because it does not provide material or different information about the veteran and/or his circumstances from those described in the other documents which I have transcribed and are included herein.]

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State of North Carolina, Warren County

On this 26th day of May 1823, personally appeared in open court the same being a Court of record declared so by the laws of the State Peter Jones resident in said County aged seventy six years the first day of next July who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions by the acts of the 18th March 1818 and the first of May 1820 and the 1st of March 1823 that he the said Peter Jones took command as Lieutenant in a company commanded by Capt. John Jones this was in the fall of the year 1775, and in a Regiment commanded by Colo. Mordecai Buckner and on 1st January 1777 [sic, 1777], the said Peter Jones Took Command of a company as Captain under Col. William Davis and 1779 the said Peter Jones marched to the siege of Savannah under Col. Richard Parker and after the siege of Savannah the said Peter Jones returned to the siege of Corn Wallis [sic, Cornwallis] at York - Virginia - and there continued until the Surrender all his service was performed in line of the State of Virginia on the Continental establishment- And I do hereby solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th of March 1818 and that I have not since that time, by gift or sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby So to diminish it or to bring within the provisions of an Act of Congress entitles - an Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the united States in the revolutionary War passed or the 18th 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 hereunto annexed and by me subscribed. (To Wit) one Negro man by name of Ephraim one Bay mare & colt, three cows & two calves, one sow, six pigs and four shoats, 2 old pine tables, 4 chairs, one pot one skillet one earthen dish 3 plates 1/2 doz. cups & Saucers, 2 Pewter dishes 6 pewter plates, 1 Tin Coffee pot, 5 old knives & forks I have no land.

S/ Peter Jones

That since the exhibition of my first schedule the following changes have been made in my property. The above schedule contains the same as my first except some little changes in the stock by me & deaths. Changes in my property since my first schedule conveyed to William Hicks in Trust for the benefit of Henry Fitts the 8th March 1822 The above mentioned Negro man Ephraim the mare & Colt & four head of Cattle to secure a debt due to him for the sum of one hundred dollars which debt is still due and now much larger than it was then and contracted with said Henry for absolute necessarys to live upon (to wit) Corn, wheat sugar and coffee & Cash to buy meat & other necessarys of merchandise to support upon.

The said Peter Jones farther states that his occupation is that of a planter that from his advanced age & infirmities he is unable to labour in the field. that he has three in family, himself one daughter by the name of -Sintha- Jones and the Negro man Ephraim. That his daughter Sintha is about 24 years old and Negro Ephraim about 36 years, my daughter might by very hard labour support herself but this would be with difficulty. The Negro is able to support himself but cannot make a sufficiency to pay rent & support me.

Sworn to in open Court

S/ Peter Jones

S/ C. Drake, C.W.C.C.

The Court values the property contained in the annexed schedule as follows, to wit:

1 Negroe man Ephraim	\$350
1 Bay mare & Colt	50
3 Cows & 2 Calves	35

1 Sow, 6 pigs & 4 shoats	10
2 old pine tables	.50
4 Com. Chairs	1.00
1 pot 50¢--1 skillet 25¢ 1 E. dish 25¢	1.00
3 Plates 12 ½¢ 1/2doz. Cups & saucers .25¢	.37 ½
1 Tin Coffee pot 25¢--5 old k & forks 25¢	.50
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	\$439.37 ½

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State of North Carolina, Warren County February Court 1824

On this 24th day of February 1824 personally appeared in open court, being a court of record, expressly made so by the laws of No. Carolina for the county of Warren aforesaid, Peter Jones aged seventy seven years, who being first sworn according to law, doth, on his Oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the acts of Congress, of the 18th March 1818, and the 1st May 1820. That he the said Peter Jones entered the revolutionary War as Lieutenant in the fall of the year 1775 in the State of Virginia, in the company commanded by Colonel Mordecai Buckner in the line of the State of Virginia on the continental establishment; and that he continued to serve in said corps as Lieutenant, until 1777, at which time he took command as captain in a regiment commanded by Colonel William Davis, and that he continued his command under Col. Davis until the battle of Monmouth; after which time, he marched and a detachment commanded by Col. Richard Parker to the siege of Savannah, and that he continued in the said Revolutionary Service until the surrender of Cornwallis at the Siege of Little York. When he was discharged at Little York in the State of Virginia.- That he was in the Battles of Monmouth and at the siege of Savannah, and that he has no other evidence, now is his power of his said services, except his own Oath.-And in pursuance of the act of the 1st of May- 1820, I do solemnly swear, that I Was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March, One thousand eight hundred and eighteen, and that I have not, since that time, by Gift, sale or in any manner, disposed of my property, or any part thereof, with in- tent thereby to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress entitled "An act to provide for certain persons in the land and naval services of the United States, in the revolutionary War" passed on the 18th day of March one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, and that I have not, nor has any person 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 Viz. one mare and colt, two cows and calves, two Sows and twelve Small Pigs, One pine table, four split bottom chairs, one earthen Dish, two earthen plates two pewter Dishes, one half Dozen pewter plates, Three Pewter basons, one tin coffee Pot, one half Dozen cups and Saucers.

Property valued by the court.

One mare and Colt	\$40
2 Cows & Calves	16
2Sows & Pigs	8
all the property	5 \$69 valuation

And that his occupation is that of a planter, his ability to pursue it, is a very Slender one, scarcely able to cut wood to make his own fires, and that he has an only daughter living with him, about the age of twenty one or two years; and that she is not more than able to support herself; and that since the time of rendering the former schedule his Negro Man has been sold under a deed in trust which then covered him, for the sum of Three hundred and ten dollars, which sun has been applied in payment of the following debts which I was owing, viz.- Henry Fitts the sum of Two hundred and four Dollars secured by deed in trust and open acct. Thomas Power by Judgment and Execution for the sum of Thirty seven Dollars and Seventy nine cents, - Henry Foot on Judgement and Execution, for the sum of Eleven Dollars & five cents.- William Hicks for cost as a constable, the sum of two dollars.- Elizabeth Mylam

for bacon and corn Eight Dollars.- James Colclough for Black Smith's -account- work nine dollars & forty eight cents, making in the aggregate the sum of--\$272.32.- leaving a balance of - \$37.68 due me.-
Sworn to and declared, on the 24th day of February 1824.

S/ Peter Jones

[p 12: On February 27, 1837 in Warren County North Carolina, Mrs. Cinthia P. Haws, 45, filed a claim under the 1836 act stating that she is the only child of the late Peter Jones, a revolutionary war pensioner; that her father died in Warren County North Carolina February 10, 1833 leaving no widow but one child, herself. Signed "Cynthia P. Hawes, X her mark." Her claim would have been rejected because there was no provision under any of the pension acts for grown children of military veterans or their widows.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per month commencing May 12, 1818, for service as a Captain in the Virginia Continental line. That pension was suspended and he was pensioned under the 1832 act at the rate of 400 \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831.]

[From [pension records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

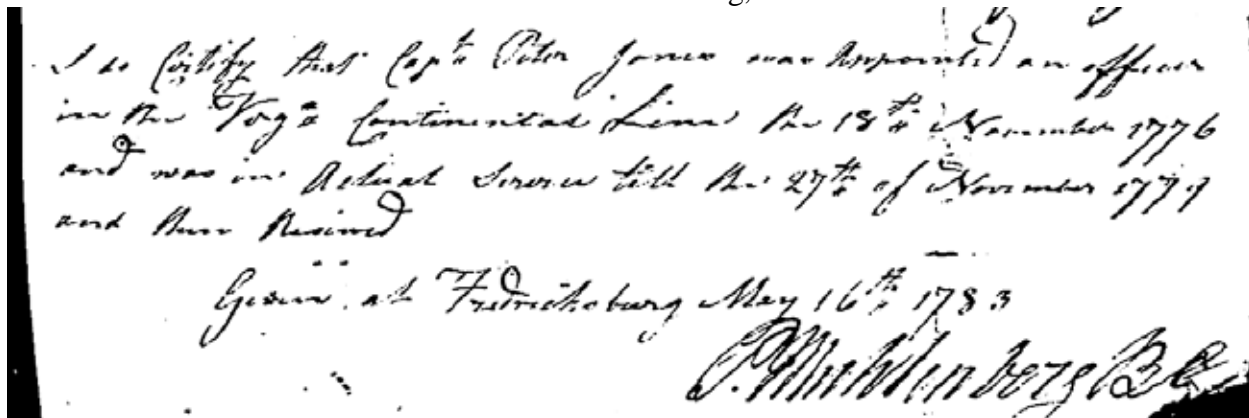
I certify that Captain Peter Jones was appointed an officer in the Virginia Continental line in November 1776 and continued in the service as such until November 1779 when he resigned being a few days more than 3 years in service.

S/ William Davies, Colonel

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I do Certify that Captain Peter Jones was appointed an officer in the Virginia Continental line the 18th of November 1776 and was in Actual service till the 27th of November 1779 and then resigned.
Given at Fredericksburg May 16th 1783

S/ Peter Muhlenberg, BG



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Given at Fredericksburg May 16th 1783
P. Muhlenberg BG*

October the 14th, 1783

Pleas to deliver to Joseph Jones a Certificate for my Land as an officer in the Virginia Continental line.

S/ Peter Jones

Thomas Meriwether

Oct. 16th 1783.

Please to deliver to Joseph Jones a Certificate for my Service
as an officer in the Virginia Continental Line.

Peter Jones

Thomas Meriwether