

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Brereton Jones W20193

Martha Diana Jones

f29NC

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State of North Carolina, Granville County

On the 25th day of April A.D. 1844, personally appeared before me Francis C. Cozort one of the Justices of the peace in and for the said County, Mrs. Martha D. Jones, a resident of the County & State aforesaid, aged eighty-three years, who being duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July 4th 1836 -- that she is the widow of Brereton Jones, who was a private soldier in the Revolutionary War, & entered the service when a citizen of Granville County North Carolina, (and that she is not able to give any further particulars specified in rule number four). She further declares that she was married to the said Brereton Jones on the 28th day of October AD 1779, as appears from the family Record; -- She further declares that the said Brereton Jones served in the said war before and after their marriage. -- She further declares that the said Brereton Jones died in the County of Granville on the 17th day of December A.D. 1810, and that she has never married since that period, as will more fully appear from the proof hereunto annexed.

Sworn to & subscribed before me the day & year above written  
the word "three" first written over and the 4th line

S/ Martha D. Jones, X her mark

S/ James C. Cozort, JP

[p 6: family record:]

“Brereton Jones & Marthew Dianna Bressie now his wife was married the 28th day of October 1779

Brereton Jones was born July 12th day 1755

Martheu Dianna Jones his wife was born July 12 day 1761

Elizabeth Jones Daughter to the above B: M: was born July 23<sup>rd</sup> day 1780

Williard Jones was born october 18<sup>th</sup> day 1782

Bressie Jones was born January 26<sup>th</sup> day 1785

Barnet Jones was born August 28<sup>th</sup> day 1787

Mark Jones was born December 17<sup>th</sup> day 1789

Mary Ann Jones was born June 3<sup>rd</sup> day 1793

William Jones was born Aprill 10<sup>th</sup> day 1795

Ann Jones was born December 24<sup>th</sup> day 1797

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Ephraim Bressie was Born 25 of March 1804 September 27<sup>th</sup> 1825

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[p 8: Thomas B. Littlejohn, a storekeeper, stated he was familiar with Brereton Jones' handwriting and that the above record is in that handwriting.]

[p 28: Judith Jackson, widow of Samuel Jackson, gave an affidavit dated April 26, 1844, in Granville County, that Brereton Jones and her late husband served one tour together, she believes under Capt. John Henderson in the year 1781. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]

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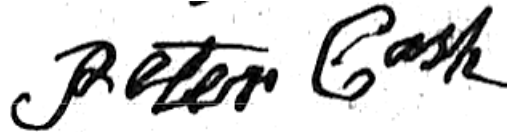
State of North Carolina, Granville County, May 1<sup>st</sup> day 1844

Personally appeared Before me E. Hector a Justice of the peace in & for said County,

Peter Cash<sup>1</sup> a resident of said County aged ninety years who being duly sworn deposeseth & saith that in the time of the revolution war he was acquainted with Brereton Jones who was a soldier in revolution war, and to the best of his Recollection held some office, that he served one tour of three months with said Jones in the cavalry under Captain John Henderson, this tour was after the gilford [sic, Guilford] Battle [Guilford Court House, March 15, 1781], he further saith that he was well acquainted with said Jones after the war until his death that he died in the County of Granville and that he has every right to believe & does believe that Martha D. Jones who has made the foregoing declaration is the widow of the said Brereton Jones but further this affiant saith not.

S/ E. Hector, JP

S/ Peter Cash



[p 13: Copy of a marriage bond dated October 11, 1779, issued in Granville County, NC by Brereton Jones and William Palmer to secure the marriage of Jones to "Martha Dianna Brisse."]

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State of North Carolina Person County

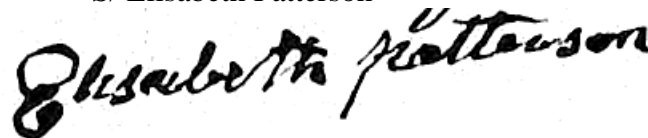
This day came personally before me Robert Jones one of the acting Justices of the peace for said County Elizabeth Patterson aged Eighty Six years and made oath in due form of law that she was a citizen of Granville County and was living in the family and in the house of the father of Breinton Jones [sic] when he the said Breinton Jones entered an eighteen months tour in the revolutionary war and that she was still living in said family when he the said Breinton returned after his term of service expired and that he then married Martha Dianna Bracy in a short time afterwards.

Sworn to and subscribed this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May 1844

Witness

S/ Robert Jones, JP

S/ Elisabeth Patterson



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State of North Carolina, Granville County

On this 25th day of September 1844 Personally appeared before me James Gooch one of the acting Justices of the Peace in and for said County aforesaid, James Terry,<sup>2</sup> a Soldier of the Revolutionary war and made oath in due form of law, to the following affidavit, that he was well acquainted with Brereton Jones a Soldier of the Revolutionary war &, that he served with the said Brereton Jones one tour under Colonel Philip Taylor, and under Captain Solomon Walker, and that we marched, from Hillsboro to Salisbury, and thence to Rocky River and Stationed at

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<sup>1</sup> [Peter Cash S8142](#)

<sup>2</sup> [James Terry R10464](#)

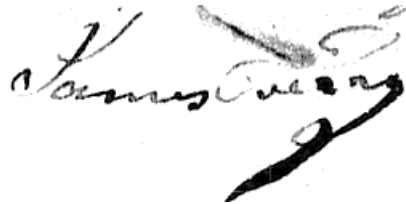
Pifers Mill [Phifer's Mill? or Pipers Mill?],<sup>3</sup> and thence near South Carolina, and that the said Brereton Jones lived and died in Granville County and that Martha D. Jones now applying for a pension is the widow of said Brereton Jones. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year first herein written.

Test

S/ James Gooch, JP

James Terry

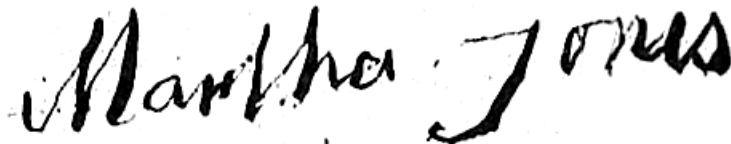
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[p 11: Elizabeth Patterson of Person County, NC gave an affidavit dated October 11, 1844, that she is the sister of Brereton Jones, that "her brother the said Brereton Jones and herself were residing with their father at the time her said brother of Brereton enlisted for an 18 months tour whether in the cavalry or foot service she is unable to state that she well recollects his going off from home in the service and remaining the full period of time for which he engaged that she still resided with her father when her brother of Brereton Jones returned home from the service and can distinctly remember all the events and circumstances connected with his going off and returning home; that on his return he intermarried with Martha Bracy who is his widow now and apply for a pension and that she is the identical person with whom her brother the said Brereton Jones intermarried on his return from this first tour of duty and this deponent has given an affidavit previous to this one in which she was not examined in the particulars relative to the things touching the previous given affidavit."

S/ Elizabeth Patterson, X her mark]

[p 27: A letter dated November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1844 sent from Oxford North Carolina from Martha Jones to J L Edwards, Commissioner of Pensions, directing that if her application is allowed the warrant [sic, certificate] for same should be sent to her "at this place." This document purports to be signed by the widow as follows



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[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$50 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for her husband service as a private for 15 months in the North Carolina Light Dragoons.]

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*Pipers Mill*