

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

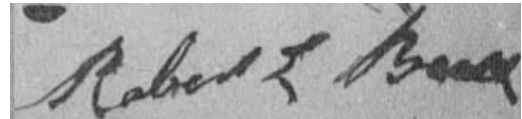
Pension Application of Thomas Jones W26797 Elizabeth Jones MD
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Washington County }
Dist of Columbia } SS

on this 20 day of Augst. 1839 personally appeared before me William Cranch chief Judge of the said district Mrs Elizabeth Jones late widow of Thomas Jones a Resident of Washington county and District aforesaid aged 87 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 entitled; an act granting half pay and pension to certain widows; that she is the widow of Thomas Jones who was a revolutionary soldier who was drafted for nine months in the company of Capt'n. Harris and when at Annapolis he was transfered into Capt'n. David Lynns [David Lynn, pension application W9151] company who marched him as she understood to Yorktown Virginia where he performed his tower, and that after his return home he enlisted for 3 years and was gone the full time [sic: see endnote], and thinks he served under Capt'n. John Coats Jones [sic: John Courts Jones], and has frequently herd her Husband name a Capt'n [Horatio] Clagett among the officers. She further declares that she was married to the said Jones before the revolutionary war by Parson Reed of Montgomery County Maryland, and that the marriage took place on the farm of Stephen Adams in said county, but that she does not recollect the year that she never had any children, and that her Husband Thomas Jones has been dead about fifteen years, since which she has and still remains a widow. Sworn and subscribed, on the day and year above written before me
Elizabeth herXmark Jones

Washington County }
District of Columbia } S.S.

This day personally appe[ared] before me John D Clark a Justice of the peace for the county aforesaid Robert L. Beall who after being duly sworn deposed and said that he was drafted in the service of the Revolution, and that at the same time Thomas Jones of Montgomery county was drafted for Nine Months in the company of Capt Harris, and sent to George Town [Georgetown], where we were placed under William Murdock the county Liutenant, from thence to Annapolis, where we were placed in captain David Lynns company who marched Thomas Jones to York Town in Virginia, where he performed his Tour and at which time the said Jones was a married Man and the Husband of Elizabeth Jones the present applicant for pension. I was at that time and am yet acquainted with Mrs. Jones the Legality of whose marriage was not then nor has it since been doubted, Mr. Jones has been dead more than 12 years and his widow remained a widow ever since. – Signed this 10th day of October 1838.



[The following two certificates do not necessarily apply to the above Thomas Jones.]

Land Office, Annapolis, 24th June, 1842

Sir [James L. Edwards, Commissioner of Pensions], In reply to the enclosed letter of Mr. Dickins, I have to state, That there are upon the Muster rolls of the Revolution in this office, some five or six Thomas Jones's – the only one of that name, that appears by the rolls to have enlisted in Captain Beall's [William Dent Beall's] Company, enlisted as a private, on the 24th day of April, 1777, for during the War, and on the 16th day of August 1780, deserted [see endnote], – Capt'n. Beall, commanded a company in the 6th Maryland Regiment, and from the word paid not being marked in said roll in the margin of Remarks,

opposite the name of Thomas Jones, I am inclined to suppose, that he did not return to the Army and was not paid. – upon the muster rolls, the word paid is marked in red ink opposite the name of every soldier that appears to have been regularly discharged.

I am very respectfully/ Yr. Ob't. S't./ G. G. Brewer

Land Office, Annapolis,/ October 3rd 1842.

I hereby Certify, That by “an alphabetical List of discharged Soldiers of the two Battalions of Militia raised to serve nine months in the Continental Army in the year 1781.” That the name of Thomas Jones, appears upon said List, to have been discharged on the 30th of November 1781, and received £10.0.0.

George G. Brewer/ Reg'r. Land Off. W. S. Md.

Washington City }
County of Washington } ss

This day personally appeared before me Jno. L. Smith, a Justice of the peace in and for the City and County aforesaid William Willis of Montgomery County Maryland aged 87 whose oath is entitled to full credit, and after being duly sworn according to law, deposeth and saith that he was well acquainted with Thomas and Elizabeth Jones of Montgomery County Maryland before and after marriage, that the said Jones lived with Captain Aaron Harris; and that Elizabeth, whose maiden name was Jones, and the present applicant, lived with John Watson at the cross roads; and that after their marriage which took place before the Revolutionary war commenced, the said Jones took up some vacant land adjoining the land of John Thrasher where he lived at the time he enlisted under Capt'n. John Coats Jones for three years. Time of Enlistment in 1781 or '82, and from some arrangement in equalizing the Regiments the said Jones was transferred from the 7 Reg't which was commanded by Smallwood [perhaps referring to Gen. William Smallwood] to the third Reg't where he continued until discharged

Sworn to the 25th day of February in the year of our Lord 1845. Jno. L. Smith, J.P.

NOTES:

Jones's service at Yorktown would have been during the siege, 28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781. Since the Revolutionary War officially ended in November 1783, he could not have served after the siege for three years.

16 Aug 1780 was the date of the Battle of Camden SC, where Maryland troops were killed, captured, or dispersed.