

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Jones¹ W3020

Elizabeth Jones

f43VA

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For the purpose of Obtaining the Benefit of an Act for the Relief [of] Certain Surviving Officers & Soldiers of the Army of the Revolution on the 15th of May 1828 I Thomas Jones of the County of Shelby and State of Kentucky do hereby declare that I enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution for and during the War and continued in service until its termination at which time I was a private in Captain __ Gun' [perhaps Capt. James Gunn's] Troop of Horse in the first Regiment of Virginia Light Horse commanded by Colonel White [Anthony Walton White] and I also declare that I afterwards received a discharge as Certificate for the reward of Eighty Dollars to which I was entitled to under a Resolve of Congress passed the 15th of May 1778 and I further declare that I was not on the 15th day of March 1828 on the Pension list of the United States.

S/ Thomas Jones, X his mark

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Revolutionary Claims
Treasury Department,
August 23rd, 1828

Thomas Jones of __ in the County of Shelby in the State of Kentucky has applied to the Secretary of the Treasury for the benefits of the act, entitled "An act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Revolution," approved the 15th of May, 1828. He states that he enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution, for and during the war, and continued until its termination, at which period he was a private in Captain Green 's Troop ~~company~~, in the Colonel White's regiment of ~~the~~ Light horse, Virginia line; and that he received a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars, provided by the resolve of the 15th of May, 1778; and further, that he was not on the 15th of May, 1828, on the pension list of the United States, and that he has received as a pensioner since the 3rd of March, 1826, nothing

The Third Auditor is requested to report how far the several statements are corroborated by the records in his Office.

By order of the Secretary
S/ F. A. Dickins

¹ BLWt1648-100 and BLWt228-60-55

Treasury Department,
Third Auditor's Office,
27th August 1828

~~It appears by the records of this office, that a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars has been issued to ___ in the ___~~

~~It further appears that ___ is not now on the pension list of any agency, and has not been so since the 3rd March 1826 — at the rate of ___ dollars per month.~~

There is a man now on the Pension Roll of Kentucky by the name of Thomas Jones but according to the papers on which his Pension was granted, he enlisted only for 3 years in Colonel Stephen's Regiment of the Virginia line, and was discharged in 1779.

S/ Peter Hagner, Aud.

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I Thomas Jones aged seventy years do upon oath testify and declare that I enlisted in the year 1779 or '80 for the period of during the war in the company commanded by Captain James Gunn in the Regiment of the Virginia line of Cavalry of the Army of the United States and faithfully served to the close of the said war at which time I was a Private of Light Dragoons Regiment of the said Virginia line. I further declare that I have never received a warrant from the United States for the bounty land due me for my services as aforesaid nor have I ever transferred or signed away my right to the same.

Therefore know all men by these presents that I Thomas Jones as aforesaid do hereby constitute and appoint Henry Northrup my true and lawful attorney for me and in my name and form my use to ask & demand and receive from the Secretary of War of the United States a warrant for the bounty land due me for my services as aforesaid and my said attorney is hereby authorized and empowered to do and perform all things necessary to be done in and about the business and to constitute and appoint one or more substitutes or attorneys under him for the special purposes above named. In the same to revoke [?] at will.

In witness whereof I have set my hand and seal this 11th day of February 1830

S/ Thomas Jones, X his mark

[p 16: On September 14, 1838 in Shelby County Kentucky, Elizabeth Jones, 70, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Thomas Jones who was a Dragoon in the Virginia line; that she married him in December 1787 in Prince William County Virginia; that her husband died October 3, 1833; that she has no record of her marriage; but she has a record of the births of her children which he believes are accurately set down which record shows that her eldest son was born in April 1789. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 18: On September 14, 1838 in Shelby County Kentucky, Peggy Davis, 68, gave testimony that she is the sister of Elizabeth Jones, the widow of Thomas Jones; that she formerly lived in Prince William County Virginia; that her sister was married to Thomas Jones in said County to the best of her recollection in the year 1787. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]

[p 26: On May 13, 1848 in Shelby County Kentucky, Elizabeth Jones, 91, filed for the renewal of her pension benefit as the widow of Thomas Jones, a Dragoon in the Virginia Continental line in White's Dragoons.]

[p 13: On June 20, 1855 in Shelby County Kentucky, Elizabeth Jones, Ninety Six, filed for her

bounty land entitlement as the widow of Thomas Jones, formerly a private in the dragoons under the command of Captain Gunn of the Virginia line; that she has been inscribed as a pensioner under the 1848 act. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 5: family record:

James Jones was born 2nd April 1789

Richard Jones was born the 11th October 1790

John Wheeler Jones was born 6th November 1793

[first name illegible] Jones was born 29th May 1797

[paper damaged and first name illegible but ends in the letter "a"] Jones was born the 30th May 1799

William Jones was born the 17 of June 1804

[paper damaged and first name illegible] Jones was born 11 of August 1806

Henry Jones was born 21 of July 1810]

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$100 per annum commencing March 4th, 1836, for her husband service as a private of dragoons in the Virginia Continental line for 2 years.]