

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Jones W7923

Sarah Jones

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Virginia Stafford County: SS

On the 13<sup>th</sup> day of October 1838 Sarah Jones a resident of said County aged seventy-eight years personally appeared before me, a Justice of the peace in the County aforesaid and being first 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 7<sup>th</sup> 1838, entitled "An Act granting half pay and pensions to certain Widows" That she is the widow of George Jones who was a private of Infantry in the Army of the revolution, that he enlisted in King George County Virginia in a company commanded by Captain Wallace [possibly Andrew Wallace of the Virginia Regiment under the command of Colonel Abraham Buford which on May 29, 1780 was defeated by British forces under the command of Lieutenant Colonel Banastre Tarleton at the battle of the Waxhaws] in the year 1778 for three years, as she always understood from said Jones her husband, and marched to the South and reached Charleston South Carolina shortly after the Capitulation of the American Army at that place; after serving out his term of three years she states that, she understood from her said husband, that he became the substitute of James Crop in Stafford County Virginia and was at the Siege of York in 1781 and marched with the British prisoners to Winchester Virginia; and that she never heard him speak of any other service during the War of the Revolution. She further declares that she was married to the said George Jones on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of February 1784 by the Reverend John Koons in the County of Shenandoah Virginia; that her husband the aforesaid George Jones died on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of October 1812; that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first day of January 1794, viz. at the time above stated.

S/ Sarah Jones, X her mark

State of Virginia Fauquier County

This day personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace for the County aforesaid James G Watson a Respectable Witness now in his 65<sup>th</sup> year of age and made oath before me that he was for many years during the lifetime of George Jones acquainted with him as also with his wife Sarah Jones to the present day, that this Affiant further says that his the said affiant's father was a private soldier during the whole or much greater part of the Revolutionary War and that he often heard his said Father say that the said George Jones was a Regular Soldier during said War or that he served 3 years in said War as a Regular Soldier. Given under my hand and seal this 18<sup>th</sup> April 1839

S/ William Skinker, JP

State of Virginia Culpeper County to wit

On this 17 day of October 1838 personally appeared before me a justice of the peace in and for the said County John Hall in 78<sup>th</sup> year of his age and doth declare upon oath to the following facts, that he was well acquainted with George Jones Deceased of Stafford County who was a soldier in the American Revolution that he marched with the said George Jones Deceased from Fredericksburg Virginia to Winchester to guard some British prisoners.

S/ John Hall

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Hall". The script is cursive and elegant, with a large initial "J" and a long, sweeping tail on the "l".

[p 5: certificate given by the clerk of the Shenandoah Virginia court saying that among the records in his office is one reflecting that on February 25, 1784 John Koons returned the names of George Jones and Sarah Williams on the list of marriages.]

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1836, for her husband service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia service.]