

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Richard Jones W9081

Rebecca Jones

f54SC

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State of South Carolina, Edgefield District

On the first day of November 1832 Personally appeared in Open Court before me Richard Gantt now sitting, Richard Jones, a resident of the District & State aforesaid, between seventy & 75 years of age & being first duly sworn as the Law directs doth on his said oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the Act of Congress passed the 7th June 1832.

The applicant states that he was born in the District & State aforesaid & when the War of the revolution broke out between England & the Colonies of North America, He went on an Expedition against the Cherokee Indians under the command of Colonel Leroy Hammond and was in the Battle of Tugaloo [August 10, 1776]¹ & the Black Hole [September 19, 1776];² was in Service on that Expedition about four months. That he then joined Captain John Hammond's Company (which was a part of Colonel Leroy Hammond's Regiment of militia) & was in several skirmishes until the Battle of Stono [Battle of Stono Ferry, June 20, 1779],³ there he was under the command of Colonel Leroy Hammond. He was at the taking of Fort Galphin [May 21, 1781]⁴ & the Siege of Augusta [May 22-June 6, 1781],⁵ and then joined Captain Harvey [Thomas Harvey] (who commanded part of Colonel Samuel Hammond's Regiment of State Troops) & was with him at Rogers' plantation [a/k/a, Rogiard's Plantation, June 18, 1781]⁶ in an engagement against the Tories where that officer [Harvey] was killed & the Tories defeated. He was then under the command of Captain John Carter in a Scouting party (agreeable to the order of General Pickens [Andrew Pickens]) that harassed the Enemy at all times an opportunity presented itself & continued in service until the close of the War, and that pulling all his services & tours of duty together he was much over three years in service.

S/ Richard Jones, X his mark

Sworn to before

S/ Richard Gantt

[James Vann and Joshua Hammond gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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Amended Declaration of Richard Jones

¹ http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_tugaloo_river.html

² http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_coweecho_river.html

³ http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_stono_ferry.html

⁴ http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_fort_galphin.html

⁵ <http://www.myrevolutionarywar.com/battles/1781-skirmish/#810416>

⁶ http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_rogers_plantation.html

The deponent states that owing to old age & consequent loss of memory that he cannot specify dates positively, but deposes that the following statements of service is true according to his knowledge & belief, that he entered the service as a volunteer Soldier under Captain Leroy Hammond in an expedition against the Cherokee Indians, he believes in the year '78, that under the said Hammond that they were marched to the Nation, that he was in an engagement with the Indians at Tugaloo & the dark hole, was also engaged in burning several towns, that from the time of his joining said Company, until his return he was in active service four months. That he received no discharge but was permitted by his officer to return to his home, that a short time afterwards he joined as a volunteer private in a company commanded by Captain John Hammond, said Company attached to a Regiment commanded by Colonel L. Hammond and Brigade commanded by General Williamson [Andrew Williamson] -- that he was again marched to the Indian Nation, that he was engaged in active service for three months, from the time he first joined said Company until again discharged by his officer That he afterwards, Joined the said Captain Hammond and was marched to Liberty Hill near Augusta, that he was at the Siege of Augusta and the taking of Galphin's Fort -- that he served at that time six months this in active service, that he afterwards was drafted and marched under Captain Bacon [Nathaniel Bacon] to the lower part of South Carolina, & was at the Battle of Stono -- that he was in active service for the time which he was drafted which was six months he was then discharged and soon after his return he volunteered under Captain Harvey and under him until the battle of Rogers where he was killed that the Company was then taken command of by Captain John Carter, under whom he continued in active service against the Tories, and on duty at Liberty Hill for six months, that after the expiration of that term of service he was frequently engaged in skirmishes against the Tories until the close of the war.

The deponent further deposes that he feels confident that he was from the commencement of the revolution to the end of the same actively employed in the service of the United States three fourths of the entire time, but that his loss of memory does not enable [him] to recollect all the different tours & services rendered.

Sworn to before made this 15 April 1834

S/ Richard Jones, X his mark

S/ W. Brunson, JQ

[p 4: On March 13, 1842, in Edgefield District, SC, Rebecca Jones, 75, filed for a widow's pension stating that she married Richard Jones October 15, 1782; that he died July 19, 1838; that she remains a widow. p 6: She later amended this statement to say she was mistaken as to her age—that she is about 80 years old and that she believes her marriage took place sometime in the month of January 1779; that they were married by Benjamin Harry, a Baptist minister; that she had three children, Joseph, Nancy and Richard—this amendatory statement was dated June 22, 1842. She signed a both documents with her mark.]

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South Carolina, Edgefield District

Personally appeared before me M. Gray a Notary Public in and for the District aforesaid, Colonel Samuel Hammond,⁷ who being first duly Sworn, saith on his oath, that he is well acquainted with Rebecca Jones, that she is the widow of Richard Jones deceased, who was a private in the war of the revolution, and that she is a person of credibility. This deponent further swears that he was acquainted with the said Rebecca Jones prior to the termination of the revolutionary war & that he is certain that she was regarded and was reputed, as the wife of the

⁷ [Samuel Hammond S21807](#)

said Richard Jones before the last term of his service in said war terminated and that she has been so reputed and considered ever since and still remains unmarried.

Sworn to and subscribed before me the 30th day of April A.D. 1842.

S/ S. Hammond

Subscribed
30 day of April
1842
S. Hammond

[Facts in file: Widow's maiden name was Rebecca Day; her marriage was attested to by Daniel Day, relationship, if any, not given.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$53.33 1/3 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831. His widow was pensioned in a like amount]