

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Jones W9082

Mary Jones

f40VA

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State of Kentucky Henry County: Sct.

On this 24<sup>th</sup> day of August 1833 personally appeared before Will McCracken a justice of the peace in and for Henry County Kentucky and one of the Justices of the Henry County Court George Jones a resident of said County aged 76 years who is unable from bodily infirmity to attend the proper Court to make his declaration and who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated that is to say being a resident of Fauquier County in the State of Virginia he entered the service of the United States in the month of October in the year 1776 as well as he remembers upon a tour of nine months as a drafted Militia man and private soldier in the company of Captain Jos. Blackwell [Joseph Blackwell], that he rendezvoused with his company at Neville's old Tavern about ten miles below Fauquier Court house and was there attached to the Regiment of Colonel Churchwell [probably Armistead Churchill] and was marched with the troops from said place of rendezvous and joined the main Army of General Washington in New Jersey and was marched into Pennsylvania – that during this tour the Battle of Brandywine [September 11, 1777] was fought though this declarant was not engaged in it personally not being brought into the action that he continued with the Army and underwent all the privation's of that fatiguing Campaign and at the termination of his tour he was discharged & returned home having served out his said term of nine months fully & faithfully –

He further states and declares that in the month of September in the year 1778 as well as he remembers he again entered the service of the United States in the Company of Captain Dawson upon a six months tour as a drafted militia man & private soldier – that he rendezvoused at the Court house in Fauquier County where he still resided and came under the command of Colonel Edmunds [perhaps William Edmonds] to whose Regiment he was attached – And was marched to Dumfries in Prince William County Virginia at which place the most of his services were performed – that he continued there principally during the said term of 6 months but at some portion of the time was at other places on the coast and having fully and faithfully served out the same he was discharged and returned home.

He states that from his advanced age and consequent loss of memory he cannot recollect the names of officers whom he frequently saw and knew whilst in the service and that he has also forgotten many of the incidents attending his service but from his present best recollection he did

not serve less than 15 months as a private militia soldier during the war of the revolution and for that service he claims a pension. He states that he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and states that his name is not on the pension roll of the Agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ George Jones, X his mark

Interrogatories put to the above named applicant George Jones by the said William McCracken Justice of the peace and Judge of the Henry County court Kentucky as aforesaid

1<sup>st</sup> Where and in what year were you born?

Answer I was born in Prince William County Virginia in the year 1757 according to my best information.

2<sup>nd</sup> Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?

Answer. I have none –

3<sup>rd</sup> Where were you living when called into service: where have you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you now live?

Answer. I was living in Fauquier County Virginia when I was called into the the service and there continued to reside until about the year 1808 when I moved to Kentucky where I have continued to live ever since and now live in Henry County Kentucky.

4<sup>th</sup> How were you called into service; were you drafted; did you volunteer or were you a substitute, and if a substitute, for whom?

Answer. I was drafted into the service –

5<sup>th</sup> State the names of some of the regular officers who were with the troops where you served, such Continental and militia regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstances of your service.

Answer. My memory has so much failed me that I do not recollect the names of many of them – but I do recollect Generals Washington & Wayne who were regular officers, and I recollect Colonels Churchwell and Edmunds who were militia officers. Upon my 9 months tour I served with the main Army in New Jersey and Pennsylvania and was with it at the battle of Brandywine. Upon my other tour I served principally at Dumfries in Virginia.

6<sup>th</sup> Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, and if so, by whom was it given and what has become of it?

Answer. I received a discharge from Colonel Edmunds and have since lost it.

7<sup>th</sup> State the names of persons to whom you are known in your present neighborhood and who can testify as to your character for veracity and their belief in your services as a soldier in the revolution.

Answer. I will name Amos V. Mathews & Erasmus Bryan as persons to whom I am known

S/George Jones, X his mark

[Amos V. Mathews & Erasmus Bryan gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 15: On September 18, 1838 in Henry County Kentucky, Mary Jones, 77, filed for a widow's pension under the 1836 act stating that she is the widow of George Jones, a revolutionary war pensioner; that she married him December 22, 1780 in Loudoun County Virginia; that her husband died February 9<sup>th</sup>, 1835; and that she remains his widow. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 33: On August 28, 1839 in Henry County Kentucky, George Chilton, 69, gave testimony that he was well acquainted with George and Mary Jones; that they removed from Fauquier County Virginia to Gallatin County Kentucky about 30 years ago; that he knew them as man and wife about 20 years before they moved to Kentucky.]

[p. 11: Finding by the court of Owen County Kentucky at the September term 1843 that George Jones late of Henry County Kentucky a revolutionary war pensioner died in the month of February 1835 leaving his widow Mary Jones who continued to survive until the month of April 1842 when she also died survived by the following children: Solomon, Tholemah, Lettice, William, John, Daniel, Samuel Jones, the last 3 residing in the state of Indiana.]

[p 4: family record:

George Jones was born October 4<sup>th</sup> 1753

Mary Jones was born April 11<sup>th</sup> 1760

James Jones son of George and Mary Jones was born January 21<sup>st</sup> 1781

Tholmariah [?]<sup>1</sup> Jones son of do was born February 24<sup>th</sup> in the year of our Lord 1785

William Jones was born 7<sup>th</sup> of January 1789

Lettice Jones daughter of do born 13<sup>th</sup> of November 1791

Solomon Jones son of do born September 8<sup>th</sup> 1793

Samuel Jones son of do born November 29<sup>th</sup> 1795

John Jones son of do born July 13<sup>th</sup> 1798

Daniel Jones son of do born February 15<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1801

Francis Jones son of Daniel Jones and Celia his wife was born December 30<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1830]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$50 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for one year and 3 months in the Virginia service. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]

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