Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Samuel Jones W3826
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Patsey Jones

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State of Virginia Chesterfield County: SS

On this 8th day of September 1843 personally appeared before the subscriber a justice of the peace Mrs. Patsey Jones a resident of the County and state aforesaid aged 74 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed July 7th 1838 entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows" That she is the widow of Samuel Jones of the County of Amelia in State aforesaid who was a soldier in the Virginia line – That he was enlisted in Petersburg where he was bound as an apprentice to one Barrett. She thinks she has heard him say and that he served in Colonel Washington [William Washington's] troop of light horse. She has often heard him speak of having been in the battles of Eutaw Springs [September it 8, 1781], Camden courthouse [probably Hobkirk Hill, April 25, 1781], and the Cowpens [January 17, 1781] where they defeated Tarleton [Banastre Tarleton] and other engagements not now recollected. She cannot speak confidently of her own knowledge as to the length of time that he served but she has often heard him say that he enlisted for the war and served to the end of the war and that he was in service for four years.

She further declares that she was married to the said Samuel Jones on the 11th day of February in the year 1790. That her husband the aforesaid Samuel Jones died the 6th day of June in the year 1816. That she was not married to him previous to his leaving the service but the marriage took place previous to the first day of January 1794 viz. at the time above stated. And that she still remains his widow.

Test S/ Daniel Worsham

S/ Patsey Jones, X her mark

[p 9: On November 16, 1843 in Chesterfield County Virginia, Frances Worsham, 45, gave testimony that she is the daughter of Samuel and Patsey Jones; that she well remembers having heard her father speak of the hardship of his services in the southern states and of his being in the battles of Camden Court house, Eutaw Springs and the Cowpens; that he was in Colonel Washington's troop of horse as a Corporal as she has heard him say; that she has also often heard him speak of the land he has in Ohio which he drew by right of his services.

Note: the following document relates to a different Samuel Jones and belongs in his file FPA S41706. There are several other documents relating to this other Samuel Jones misfiled with this application.]

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State of Ohio Clinton County

I Samuel Jones aged about 74 years do upon oath testify and declare that about or in the year 1776 I enlisted or entered the service as a private for the term of during the war in the 8th Virginia Regiment commanded at the time I think by Colonel Muhlenberg [Peter Muhlenberg] and continued in service on Continental establishment until the surrender of General Lincoln when I became a prisoner & continued such or without being discharged until the close of the revolutionary war. I am now a pensioner of the United States & now reside within the County of Clinton & State of Ohio having recently removed from the County of Brown. I have never received a warrant for the bounty land promised to me on the part of the United States, nor have I assigned or transferred my claim in any manner whatever.

Therefore know all men by these presents that I Samuel Jones aforesaid do hereby constitute & appoint Colonel Joseph Watson of Washington City my true & lawful attorney for me in my name to demand & receive from the Secretary of War of the United States a warrant for the quantity of land due me as aforesaid & my said attorney is hereby fully authorized & empowered to constitute & appoint one or more substitutes or attorneys, under him for the special purpose above expressed. In witness whereof I have hereunto affixed my mark & [indecipherable word] this 20th day in September A.D. 1831

S/ Samuel Jones, X his mark

[p 4: copy of a marriage bond dated February 6, 1790 issued in Amelia County Virginia to Samuel Jones and John Sudberry conditioned upon the marriage of Samuel Jones to Patsey Eans.]

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