## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to Gabriel Jones VAS1276 Transcribed by Will Graves

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## [From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

I Robert Pollard formerly of the County of Culpeper, but now of the City of Richmond being in the 83<sup>rd</sup> year of my age, do hereby certify that I was well acquainted with the late Captain Gabriel Jones of the above named County who was a near neighbor of mine. That at a very early period of the American revolutionary War he received the appointment of Captain in the Marine Service of the State of Virginia and soon after was transferred to the first Virginia State Regiment – holding the same rank, that his health became very infirm & after languishing for some time he departed this life in the latter part of the winter of 1776 or early in the spring of 1777, – That I visited him very frequently during his illness, was intimately acquainted with his first Lieutenant, afterwards Captain John Camp, who I know made frequent calls on him during his sickness for orders relative to the Company which were attended to by Captain Jones.

Captain Jones was confined to his bed the greater part of his illness, at his request I wrote letters for him while he was sick, on the subject of his private affairs and am well satisfied that had he resigned his Commission it would have come to my knowledge, but he never dropped a hint in my presence to that effect, I therefore state as my firm belief that he never did resign.

Given under my hand in Richmond this 20<sup>th</sup> day of November 1838

S/ Robert Pollard

[p 3: Illegible document which looks as if it would contain material information relating to the services of the veteran.]

I Peter Triplett of Culpeper County & State of Virginia in the 86<sup>th</sup> year of my age (& being the same who gave Testimony in Culpeper County Court May 1835 in the same case) do hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge & recollection I enlisted as a soldier in Captain John Lee's Company of Marines in the year 1775 & that in the spring of the next year we marched to Alexandria – that Captain Gabriel Jones of Culpeper County enlisted a Company of Marines about the same time & in the spring following he marched his Company to Hobs hole below the Town of Fredericksburg that I was well acquainted with Captain Jones before he was appointed a Captain of Marines.

Given under my hand this 13 day of December 1838

S/ Peter Triplett, X his mark

[Attested in Culpeper County Virginia December 13, 1838]

[p 6: what appears to be the petition by the heirs of the veteran for his bounty land entitlement but the document, as posted, is illegible. I can however make out the name of Polly Jones as one of the petitioners.]

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[From rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia] 5-page file

[p 1: illegible as posted]

[p 3: partial legible]

To his Excellency Littleton W. Tazewell Governor of Virginia

The petitioners heirs at law and children of Captain Gabriel Jones Deceased an officer in the war of the Revolution, represent that their father entered the regular Service sometime in the year 1775 as a Captain of the Marines in the Virginia line: that in December 75 or January 1776, he was transferred into the first State Regiment commanded by Colonel George Gibson and held in that Regiment the same rank (namely that of Captain) in which he continued to do service until the time of his death which occurred in the year 1777 or 1778: that his representatives have received a land warrant for 4000 acres only, which under the provisions of the law then and afterwards in force they were entitled to demand and receive the same quantity of land in number of acres as if their father had served to the close of the war, and that they all therefore to have an additional bounty land of [indecipherable word or figures] more of this warrant heretofore allowed equal to 1333 1/3 acres – they are induced to believe that like additional bounty land has been awarded to others situated as your petitioners, and they respectfully ask that you act upon their case and do for them what you consider justice – They have no agent or Attorney employed and asked the [indecipherable word or words] of your Excellency to direct a reply to this petition to be sent to their address Culpeper Courthouse, Virginia

With due consideration &c

your Obedient Servants

S/ Gabl. Jones

S/ Polly Wigginton, X her mark

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S/ Polly Jones

[Attested in Culpeper County Virginia May 27, 1835]