Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to John Jones VAS1293 Transcribed by Will Graves

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[From bounty land records in the Library of Virginia]

The heirs of John Joines a Sergeant in the Revolutionary War, respectfully asked the allowance of Bounty Land due to their ancestor for his services through the war. For the evidence sustaining this claim, they refer to Report No. 4 page 17

for the heirs S/ G. A. Myers

Petition full Bounty Land

Heirs of John Jones Sergeant Illinois Regiment

Sundry pay rolls of Companies belonging to the Illinois Regiment prove that John Joines [sic] was a Sergeant in that Regiment – That he enlisted for the war, & served to the end of it. His name is on the Army Register – he received pay both as soldier & Sergeant.

John Joines has been reported in the printed Illinois list not entitled to land, for the war, as Sergeant.

Respectfully Submitted S/ John H Smith, Commissioner &c. May 24th 1834

To his Excellency Governor Tazewell

This is to Certify, That it appears from a List in this Office of such Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia Continental Line, during the Revolutionary War, as settled their Accounts, and received Certificates for the balance of their Full Pay, according to an Act of Assembly, passed the November Session 1781, that a Certificate issued on the first day of July 1783, in the name of John Jones, as a Sergeant of Infantry for £64.6.2, which Certificate appears to have been delivered to himself and was given for services prior to the 1st January 1782.

Given under my hand, at the Auditor's Office, Richmond, this 15th day of October.

S/J Adam Smith, first clerk acting AUDITOR

Petition full bounty land

The Heirs of John Jones – Sergeant of Infantry

The facts in this case are – John Jones enlisted & served for three years in the Virginia Continental Army. He was severely wounded in battle. His name appears on the Army Register – he received £64. 6.2 the balance of his full pay.

If your Excellency should allow land: it might be for 3 years as Sergeant.

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To his Excellency Governor Tazewell

I Thomas R. Dunn aged 65 years do hereby certify that I was acquainted with John Jones who formerly resided in Warwick County and know that he enlisted sometime during the year 1778 for two years in the Continental line during the Revolutionary War under Captain Dickerson [?] as a private and that he served during the period of his enlistment, that subsequent to this he again enlisted in the Continental line for and during the period of three years and that he served during the period of his said last enlistment. That the said Jones was wounded in an engagement, in his breast, & the ball which occasioned the wound was never extracted. The place where the engagement was fought when he received the wound was called "the forlorn hope ["]¹ –. That after having been honorably discharged from the Army he returned to the said County of Warrick, where he lived until he died.

S/ Thomas R Dunn

[Note: The above documents appear to me to relate to two different veterans, one of whom served in the Illinois Regiment and the other, a resident of Warrick County who was wounded in service, in another unspecified Continental unit.]

¹ This term appears to be most often applied to the storming of Stony Point July 16, 1779