Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Wood Jones VAS1327
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[From rejected pension records in the Library of Virginia]

[Note: the memorial filed by the heirs is illegible as posted online]

Wood Jones was commissioned a first Lieutenant of Captain Edward Mead's Company of the 2nd Virginia Continental Regiment on the 8th of March 1776; and was promoted a Captain of a Company of the same Regiment on the 25th of December 1776. See the certification from the State Department at Washington here with file. On the 21st of October 1824, after Captain Jones had been many years dead, a warrant was issued to his heirs for 2666 acres of Bounty Land, in consideration of his services as a Lieutenant only. His heirs now exhibit the evidence of the period at which their ancestor entered the service, and of his rank as Captain, and referring to the vouchers on file in the Executive Chambers on which the allowance was made in 1824, to show that he served to the end of the war, they asked for the land due a Captain from the [one or more words too faint to discern] a service from the 8 March 1776, until the 3rd of November 1783 when the war ended, after deducting the former allowance.

S/ H. L. Brooke, Counsel for Memorialist

[Note: the images of the supporting documents are fragmentary and I have not attempted to transcribe them.]

[From <u>bounty land records in the Library of Virginia</u>]—from the file indexed under the name "Cuthbert Harrison"

It does not appear by the Books of this office that any military Land bounty warrant has issued to Wood Jones in consideration of services performed by him in the Revolutionary war. Land Office

November 22, 1824

S/W. Selden, Register Land Office

It does not appear by the Books of this office that any Military Land bounty warrant has issued to Cuthbert Harrison in consideration of services performed by him in the revolutionary war. Land Office

November 22, 1824

S/W. Selden, Register Land Office

1824 November 26 – Cuthbert Harrison allowed as a Captain of Dragoons and Wood Jones as a Lieutenant in Virginia Continental line.

I certify that in the spring of 1776, Lieutenant Wood Jones came down to Williamsburg, our place of Rendezvous, when we first entered service from Amelia [County] in Captain Edward Mead's Company as Lieutenant in the 2nd Virginia Regiment, in Continental service, of which William Moseley and Henry Moss were a part of the officers, that belonged to the same Regiment, and we all marched together to the northward and we were at the battle of Brandywine [September 11, 1777] together, and at other places, at Germantown [October 4, 1777] &c that he was a good hearted and good officer; and that he served there with us a good while [paper damaged and several words obliterated] we served at different places probably as [indecipherable word] as 1779 or 1780. And further I say not. Given under my hand this 24th of August 1824

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Lieutenant 2nd Virginia Regiment

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Virginia, Halifax County, September 11, 1824

I do hereby Certify that while I was in the First Regiment of Light Dragoons raised in Virginia, and under the command of Colonel Theodorick Bland, and afterwards on Continental establishment, and with the Army under General Washington, I was well and intimately acquainted with Captain Cuthbert Harrison commanding one of the troops of said Regiment, and understood to have been raised by him and that from some time in the summer of 1776, when my knowledge of him as an officer first commenced until June 1779, he retained, and acted as a

Captain in the said Regiment his Office aforesaid. I further certify that the said Cuthbert Harrison marched with the same Regiment when ordered to South Carolina as I have always understood and that the last of my personal knowledge of him as an Officer aforesaid was at Petersburg in Virginia when in June or July 1779 the Regiment aforesaid was on its march to the South, where I have reason to believe he continued to serve as a Captain of Cavalry.

S/ Berryman Green, Quarter Master & Pay master first Regiment Light Dragoons on Continental establishment in the revolutionary War with Great Britain

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Virginia, At a court held for Chesterfield County at the courthouse thereof on the 14th day of March A.D. 1822

This day John [paper damaged and last name illegible] of lawful age personally appeared in open court and being first sworn on the holy Evangelist of Almighty God, deposeth and saith that he was intimately acquainted with Major Wood Jones late of Amelia County, who entered the Army as a Lieutenant early in the revolutionary war of the United States, and the deponent believes he served until nearly the close of the Revolutionary struggle, having in the meantime been promoted to an office of higher grade: the deponent has been informed and verily believes, that no grant of land has been made either to Major Jones in his lifetime, or to his heirs since on account of his revolutionary services: —

The deponent further saith that Wood Jones of Tennessee, Wood Jones Hamlin of North Carolina, Mrs. Abanty [?] C. Archer and Philip Jones of Virginia are the only surviving heirs at law and next of kin to the said Major Would Jones deceased – which is ordered to be entered of record and certified to whom it may concern.

In testimony thereof I Park Poindexter Clerk of Chesterfield County court have hereunto set my hand in have caused the official seal of said County Court to be hereto affixed this 14th day of March A.D. 1822 and the 46th year of its independence.

S/ Parke Poindexter, Clerk

Note: See also Cuthbert Harrsion VAS1415