## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Isaac Jones S31777 Transcribed by Will Graves f12NC 11/3/08: rev'd 3/6/16

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State of Georgia, County of Telfair

On this Sixteenth day of February in the year of our Lord 1836 personally appeared in open Court before the Honorable the Justices of the Inferior Court in and for the said County of Telfair, Isaac Jones a resident of the said County of Telfair and State of Georgia aged seventyfour years and months, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to attain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832: -- That he was born in New Jersey on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of March 1761, -- in what part of New Jersey he does not recollect to have heard -- and from New Jersey his parents removed with him while he was an infant (as he has been informed) into Frederick County, Virginia in that part of Virginia then called New Virginia: that he has no record of his age than the entry thereof by his father in a family Bible now remaining in his possession: That in the year 1777 during the Revolutionary War he was drafted in said County of Frederick in the said State of Virginia into the service of the Militia thereof, for the term of three months and served under Capt. Thomas Baldwin from some time (the precise date not recollected) in September in the year last aforesaid until the 4<sup>th</sup> day of March 1778 when he received his discharge from the said Capt. Baldwin which has been lost or destroyed -- That while in said service under said Capt. Baldwin he was marched from said Frederick County to Fort Pitt on the Ohio River where they joined Col. Johnson and General Hand [Edward Hand] and from thence marched down the Ohio River to Fort Wheeling where he completed his service for the three months for which he was drafted as aforesaid and a part of the troops called in the service were discharged but the Company to which he, the Declarant served was (he still continuing in the service in said Company) marched from thence up to Beach Bottom Fort to protect the Frontiers against the Shawnee tribe of Indians and continued there until discharged as aforesaid all of which service he, the Declarant, performed as a foot or militia soldier: That during the summer of the year 1778 he removed from the said County of Frederick State of Virginia into Guilford County, State of North Carolina: That in the said County of Guilford in the year 1779 he was drafted into service of the Militia of the State of North Carolina for the further Term of three months and served under Capt. William Wilson as a foot or Militia soldier for the Term of three months when he received his discharge from the said Capt. Wilson which has also been lost or destroyed -- That while in the said service under the said Capt. Wilson he was marched from the Court House in the County of Guilford to the Town of Salisbury where they joined General Rutherford [Griffith Rutherford] and from thence marched down the Adkin [sic, Yadkin River] to the Rocky River

where he was in a slight skirmish with the Tories embodied on said Rocky River at a place called Coalson's [Colson's] old plantation<sup>1</sup> [Colson's Mill, July 21, 1780] whom they were drafted to dislodge or break of and from thence returned to the Courthouse in the said County of Guilford where he received from the said Capt. Wilson his discharge last mentioned -- the name of the Col. on which this last service was performed was Col. Newman: That in the same County of Guilford in the year 1780 he was again drafted into the service of the Militia of the State of North Carolina for the further Term of three months and served under Capt. Peter O'Neal as a foot or Militia soldier for the said Term of three months -- That while in said service under the said Capt. O'Neal he was marched from the Courthouse in the said County of Guilford towards the said Town of Salisbury until they joined Col. Robert Porterfield and General Gates [Horatio Gates] who was on his way from the North and from thence marched to Cheraw, State of South Carolina towards Camden in the same State of South Carolina until they met the British Army at or near Camden aforesaid in which engagement [Battle of Camden, August 15-16, 1780]<sup>2</sup> he was and from thence returned home to Guilford County State of North Carolina but the American Army having been routed in the company in which he served separated he received no regular discharge: that he the Declarant performed other lesser tours of service which from loss of memory he cannot undertake to recount nor can he from the same cause state the days and months when the two last mentioned tours of service were commenced and ended but that he was engaged in no civil pursuit while performing any of said services: that since the Revolutionary war he has lived in the said County of Guilford, State of North Carolina from whence he removed into Jefferson County, State of Georgia, from Jefferson County aforesaid to Wilkinson County State of Georgia and from Wilkinson County aforesaid to the said County of Telfair State of Georgia where he now lives and has resided and lived for the last 10 years immediately preceding the date hereof: That he knows of no person now living by whom he can prove his services aforesaid but that James Williamson a clergyman and Mark Willcox can certify as to his character for veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the Revolution; and that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of any agency of any State or (if any) on that of the Agency in the State of Georgia.

Sworn to and subscribed in open Court the day and year first aforesaid.

S/ Isaac Jones {Seal}

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S/ David Ryals, JIC

S/ Drury Reaves, JIC

S/ James A. Rogers, JIC

S/ Hon. J. Coffee, HR

The answers of Isaac Jones the Declarant to the seven Interrogatories propounded agreeable to the regulations of the War Department

To the first Interrogatory "Where and in what year were you born?" He answers that he was born in New Jersey on the 30th day of March 1761 as he has always been informed and

<sup>1</sup> http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution\_colsons\_mill.html 2 http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution\_battle\_of\_camden.html

believes.

To the second interrogatory "Have you any record of your age and if so where is it?" He answers that he has no other record of his age than the entry thereof by his father in the Family Bible now in his possession.

To the third interrogatory "Where were you living when called into service, where have you lived since the Revolutionary war and where do you now live?" He answers that he was living when called into the first Tour of service in Frederick County Virginia -- when called afterwards into service he was living in Guilford County, North Carolina: -- That since the Revolutionary War he has lived in the said County of Guilford and in Jefferson, Wilkinson and Telfair County's State of Georgia -- in which said County of Telfair he now resides and lives.

To the fourth Interrogatory "How were you called into service; were you drafted, did you volunteer or were you a Substitute? And if a substitute for whom?" He answers that he was drafted into service.

To the fifth Interrogatory "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 services?" To answer this would be to recapitulate his Declaration on the preceding leaf, in which a full answer to this interrogatory is to be found to the best of his recollection.

To the sixth Interrogatory "To a soldier" "Did you ever receive a discharge from the service and if so, by whom was it given, and what has become of it?" He answers that he received two discharges as mentioned in his said Declaration one from Capt. Thomas Baldwin and the other from Capt. William Wilson which discharge is never thinking they would be of any service to him he did not preserve them they are now lost or destroyed.

To the seventh Interrogatory "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 of your services as a soldier of the Revolution?" He answers and gives the names of James Williamson a Clergyman and Mark Willcox

Answered sworn to and subscribed in open Court the sixteenth day of February A.D. 1836. S/ David Ryals, JIC

S/ Isaac Jones

S/ Drury Reaves, JIC S/ James A. Rogers, JIC

[James Williamson, a Clergyman, and Mark Willcox gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 9 months in the Virginia and North Carolina militias.]