Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

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Pension application of Solomon Jones¹ S38083 Transcribed by Will Graves

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State of Georgia McIntosh County: SS

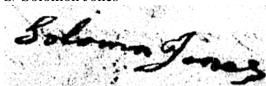
On this fifteenth day of January in the year of our Lord 1827 personally appeared in open Court before us Samuel Owens, Jacob Wood, Henry Gignilliat [?] and Allan B. Powell Justices of the Inferior Court of the County of McIntosh & State aforesaid Solomon Jones now a resident of said County aged about sixty-six years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the Acts of Congress of the 18th day of March 1818 & the 1st of May 1820. That he the said Solomon Jones was enlisted in the Continental Army in the revolutionary war in the year 1776 in the State of Virginia by one Andrew Geter [sic, Andrew Jeter] then a recruiting Sergeant on the Continental service and was afterwards carried from thence to Savannah in the State of Georgia and served for three years in the Company commanded by the said Andrew Geter who was then its Captain in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Sturk [sic, John Stirk]& was then discharged in Charlestown South Carolina by Colonel or General McIntosh & afterwards returned to the State of Virginia. That he shortly after he enlisted in the State of North Carolina in Captain Meligans [?] Company of Militia and from thence went to Charlestown with said company on a nine months tour. That a short time before the fall of Charlestown [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780] Colonel William Washington came to Dogester [Dorchester] with his dragoons and from thence came to Charlestown. That his recruiting Sergeant's name was Lumsford. That he then enlisted in the said Company of dragoons under Colonel William Washington for the remainder of the War & remained with him until the close of the War when he was disbanded & discharged at the high hills of Santee in the State of South Carolina. That -during the greater part of the time that deponent served in said dragoons under Colonel Washington he acted in the capacity of Trumpet Major to said dragoons. That he was at the battles of Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781] & the Cow Pens [Cowpens, January 17, 1781]. That he had his horse shot from under him in the first battle and his right arm wounded & splintered in the last battle. And this deponent further saith that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present. That he is now advanced in years has lost the site of one I am from age & infirmity is now no longer able to support himself & family without some assistance from his Country. That the following is the reason why this deponent hath not made an earlier application for a pension; That he has several times spoken to professional gentlemen to make the application for him when he was actually in need of support & assistance

¹ This man MAY be the same man as **Solomon Jones VAS1318**

from his Country but not having the means of giving them a fee the same was neglected. That the present application on behalf of this deponent is made by a professional gentlemen without fee or reward. That your deponent being ignorant of the form of proceeding and unlettered was unable himself to make the application without assistance which he [indecipherable word] will be a sufficient reason & not [indecipherable word] as neglect.

And in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820, I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled "an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed. That his occupation usually has been that of a Planter [several lines of indecipherable text] but that from age and infirmity [one or more indecipherable words] no longer able to pursue them. That he has a wife living aged about fifty-five years named Nancy -- and two children living one named John G. Jones -- residing in the State of South Carolina and the other named Sarah Jones -- residing in the State of Mississippi neither of whom from their poverty are able to contribute to the support of this deponent. That since the 18th March 1818 no changes have been made in my property. And this deponent and confirmation of the facts above related attaches hereto the affidavit of one David Scott which he prays may be taken as part of this his application. Sworn to in open Court this 15th January 1827 before us

S/ Solomon Jones



Schedule & Inventory of personal estate owned by me at the time of this application

My household furniture valued at 18 head of cattle with \$5.00 per head

\$20.00 60.00

\$80.00

I have no real estate or debts due me: Debts against me equal if no more than the value of all I possess

The within oath was sworn to in Open court before us this 15 January 1827

S/ Jacob Wood, JIC

S/ Sam. Owens, JIC

S/ Henry Gignilliat, JIC

S/ Allen B. Powell, JIC

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__th Carolina __well dist.: Personally came before me William Cooper one of the Justices of the quorum in and for said district Dennis Scott² and after being duly sworn as the law directs saith that he became acquainted with Solomon Jones in the American Armaigh [sic, Army] in the State of North Carolina halafax [Halifax] County in or about the year that the city of Charleston in

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² Dennis Scott S39063

South Carolina fell into the possession of the British and marched with him and Captain Milicans [sic,?] Company from there to the State of South Carolina to the city of Charlestown and then the said Solomon Jones enlisted into Captain Washington's Cavalry and frequently saw him in the Cavalry and recollects perfectly well to have seen Solomon Jones in the battle at the Eutaw Springs South Carolina & saw his horse shot dead under him in the action but does not recollect seeing him any more during the war. Sworn to before me this 20th November 1824 S/Wm Cooper, JQ

S/ Dennis Scott

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[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing January 15th, 1827 for service as a Trumpet Major in the Virginia Continental line for 3 years.]