Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of George Jones S4455

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State of Ohio Madison County Ss

On this 20th day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two personally appeared in open court before the judges of the court of common pleas now sitting George Jones a resident of the township of pike in the county of Madison and state of ohio aged sixty nine years who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th AD 1832, that he entered the service of the united states under the following named officers and served as herein after stated; that he entered the serve under Capt Thomas Willis of virginia the Colonel was thomas gascoin [sic: Thomas Gaskins] Wee were under the Imediate Command of the barron Steuben | Baron von Steuben | that he was born and Raisd in the County of fauquire [sic: Fauquier] in virginia & that there was a Draft for men on the fifth of March 1781 to serve for Eighteen months that a certain James Freeman of s'd. County was Drafted & he the s'd George Jones took his place and marched by fredricksburg [sic: Fredericksburg] in virginia to richmond on Jamses [sic: James] River Crossed over to manchester thence to powhatan Courthouse on the South of Jamses River thence to point fork on James River [sic: Point of Fork at the confluence with Rivanna River] where wee Commenced retreat before Colonel Tarlton of the british army [sic: Lt. Col. Banastre Tarleton, 6 Jun 1781] and went to halifax on the border of North Carolina thence back to Woodsons ferry on Jameses River & joined the army under the Marquis Delafay't [sic: Marquis de Lafayette] and was attached to general Wains [sic: Anthony Wayne's] brigade being principaly on the watters of James River untill the french Landed at Jamestown [10 Sep] & General Washington came on from the North [14 Sep] when we movd Down & Invested the british army at yorktown and took them prisoners [19 Oct] Thence our Regiment was march'd to Cumberland Courthouse on the south side of Jamses River where wee wintered on the 5th of February 1782. he substituted a man to take his place in the army and was Discharged from the Service by a major findley [sic: Samuel Finley] who was Commandant at the Station & that he knows of no person by whose testimony he can prove his services

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity Except the present and Declares that his Name is not on the pension Roll of the agency of any State

Sworn and Subscribed the Day and year aforesaid

George Jones

Quest

- 1 where and in what year was you born
- A in fauquire County in virginia In 1762 the 17th of November
- 2 have you any Record of your age and if so where is it I never took it of the family Record which was in the hands of an older bro
- Where were you living when Caled into Service where have you lived since the Revolutionary war and where do you now live

I lived in fauquire and Culpeper Counties in virginia and removed from Culpeper County into this State and Now live in Madison County ohio

- 4 how were you Called into Servis were you Drafted Did you Volun[teer] or were you a Substitute and if a Substitute for whom
- a for James freeman
- 5 State the Names of some of the Regular officers who were with the troops where you served and such Continental and militia Regiments as you can Recollect and the general circumstances of your Service
- a The Collonal of our Regiment was thomas gascoin our Major was John willis my Capt was thomas Wauman our brigade major was James Williams if I recollect his given Name

- 6 did you ever Receive a Discharge from the Service and if so by whom was it given and what has become of it
- I did receive a Discharge which I kept untill the Conclusion of the war and then sent it on as Evidence of my Right to a certificate for my pay and when I obtaind the same I did not believe it of any more use to me and therefore took no care of it. It was Signed by Major Finbley

 George Jones

NOTE: A size roll of noncommissioned officers and privates taken at Chesterfield Courthouse lists the following: George Jones, age 19, height $5'\,11\!/2''$, light hair, light eyes, light complexion, blacksmith, born and residing in Fauquier County where he entered service as a substitute on 5 March and was sized on 27 April.