Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of James Jones W26165

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State of Kentucky Sct Wayne County

On the 27th day of August 1832 personally appeared before the Justices of the Wayne County Court James Jones a resident of Wayne County and State of Kentucky aged seventy three two years who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed June 6th 1832, that he enlisted in the army of the united States in the year 1780 with Alexander Ewing and served in the [blank, but should be 10th] regiment of the Continental Line under the following named officers Field officers towit Col. William Davis [sic: William Davies], raised the army where he was garrisoned. I was then marched from thence under General Peter Mulenburgh [sic: Peter Muhlenberg] and Colo [Samuel] Hawes & [Thomas] Gaskins. Capt. Bently & John Crawford was my company officers I was at the time of my enlistment a Citizen of Montgomery County State of Virginia and entered the service in the month of August 1780 I marched from Hans meadows in Montgomery County to Chesterfield County in Virginia thence to the Isle of White [sic: Isle of Wight] county Virginia thence to Peters Burgh [sic: Petersburg] occasionally sent from Petersburgh to Chesterfield with a load of arms I also served some of my time under an officer by the name of John Paten who gave me my discharge I finally left the army and was discharged at Albemarle Barracks in virginia on the 1st day of January 1782 I also enlisted in the year 1778 for twelve months as a waggoner with a man who was authorized to receive enlistments of that kind by the name of Armstrong whether he was an officer or not I do not know the name of the quarter master I do not recollect at the time I enlisted as a waggoner I was a citizen of Amherst County State of Virginia I served only about three months and then hired a substitute for the remainder of the year. I do hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and I declare that my name is not on the pension roll or agency in any state James Jones

NOTES:

A size roll compiled at Chesterfield Courthouse after 1 Sep 1780 includes the following: James Jones /21 /height 5 7½ /planter /born in Augusta County VA /residing in Montgomery County VA /brown hair /black eyes/ fair complection /enlisted 11 Sep 1780 for 18 months.

On 24 May 1854 in Putnam County MO Sally Jones, 70, applied for a pension stating that as Sally Brown she married James Jones in Wayne County on 19 Dec 1834, and that after he died in 1844 or 1845 she moved to Missouri with her children Jesse and Elijah Jones. She added that her son Alexander Jones lived in Clinton County KY near where she had moved from and to where she intended to move again. O. P. Glenn, 27, deposed that James and Sally Jones had lived on Otter Creek in Wayne County. The file contains a sheet with a copy of the certificate of marriage performed by M. Floyd, a Baptist minister, and a copy of a declaration by Ephraim Jones and Jesse Jones stating that James Jones died on 10 Jan 1844. In an application for bounty land made in Putnam County on 10 Nov 1856, Sally Jones's age is still given as 70, and the date of James Jones's death is given as 10 Nov 1843. On 3 Apr 1865 Sally Jones was still living in Putnam County as the widow of "James Jones Senior." On 25 Jan 1866 at age 81 she applied to have her pension transferred to Kentucky, having moved to Russell County "on account of climate."