Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Thomas Jones W43

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State of Tennessee }
Sullivan County }

On this $17^{\rm th}$ day of August 1832 personally appeared before me, Iveson Longaire[?] a Justice of the Court of pleas & Quarter Sessions for Sullivan County Thomas Jones a resident in said County and State aged near seventy 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 act of Congress passed June $7^{\rm th}$ 1832

That he entered the service of the Unites States under the following named officers and served as herein stated

That he was born in Loudon [sic: Loudoun] County Virginia in the year 1762 from whence he removed to Fauquier County in the same state, from which last mentioned County some time near the close of the Revolutionary War, he can't tell the year, he volunteer'd for a three months tour under Captain Turner Aquila Dyson Lieutenant. the volunteers rendevouzed at Colo. Edmonds on the Falmouth road. that they marched about to different places, but cannot recollect the names of the places that at the expiration of the term of service they return'd home where he go a discharge from Capt Turner

That he shortly afterwards removed to Henry County Virginia from whence he again volunteer'd for a three months tour under Capt [Tully] Choice, (William Choice Lieutant) that the volunteers rendevouzed at Henry Courthouse from whence they marched for Guilford Courthouse, that they got within less than two days march of the latter place, nigh enough distinctly to hear the firing in the action [Battle of Guilford Courthouse NC, 15 Mar 1781] – but understanding the Battle was over they proceeded no farther — they then marched about to different places but cannot now recollect where and then return'd home when he got his discharge from Captain Choice —

He declares that he has since lost both his discharges, and that he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person (except Richard Glover [pension application \$1904] whose testimony is hereto annexed) whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service. — 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 – and that there is no clergyman in his vicinity whose testimony he can procure

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State of Tennessee } On the 6th day of Feby 1833 personally appeared before me Iveson Sullivan County Longaire one of the acting Justices of the peace for said County Thomas Jones and made and subscribed the following affidavit in amendment and explanation of his foregoing declaration for pension to wit that by reason of old age and consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service in the last tour mentioned in his declaration but according to the best of his recollection he served three months the time for which he volunteerd — that he served both tours as a private — that from the length of time and failure of his memory he is unable now to state the different years or periods of the war when the services were performed. In answer to the 2^d Interrogatory of the War department he saith that he has a record of his age now in his possession - that he lived in Henry County Virginia a number of years after the war from whence he removed to Wythe County Virginia and after three or four years residence there moved to Sullivan County Tennessee where he has resided ever since In answer to the 5th he saith that he does not recollect that there were any regular officers with the troops where he served Thomas hisXmark Jones

NOTE: On 27 Dec 1843 Susanah Jones, 73, applied for a pension stating that she married Thomas Jones on 24 Dec 1786, and he died 25 Jul 1842. With her application is a copy of her

statement signed Susanna Ramsey and dated 22 Dec 1786 stating that she was 23 and asking that Thomas Jones be issued a marriage license. There is also a copy of a bond signed on 23 Dec 1786 in Bedford County by Thomas Jones and Adam Young for the marriage of Jones to Susanna Ramsey. Her application for bounty land dated 30 Apr 1855 gives her age as 83. With her pension application she submitted an original family record transcribed as follows: Susanne Jones Daughter of Thomas and Susanna Jones Was Born august the 15th 1789 Mary Jones Was Born September the 21 1792 Squire Jones Was Born Martch the 10th 1794 Rebecky Jones Was Born November the 9th 1795 bettie Jones Was Born fabruary the 1[?]th 1798 William Jones Was Born fabruary the 10th 1800 Danniel Jones Was Born August the 5th 1802 Extacy Jones Was Born January the 1th 1805 John Jones Was Born November the 17th 1806 Eliza Jones Was Born May the 30th 1809