Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Edward Jones W7908
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Frances Jones

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State of Virginia Caroline County SS

On this the 4th day of May 1840 personally appeared before me Thomas Hurt a Justice of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid and state of Virginia [Frances Jones] aged about 84 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order [to obtain] the benefits of the Act of Congress passed July 7th 1838. That she was married to one Edward Jones who was a private in the War of the Revolution. She knows nothing of the length of time he served, The officers under whom he served or the Regiment to which he belonged but has often heard him say that he served nearly through the whole war that he was under General Clarke [perhaps a reference to George Rogers Clark] and frequently spoke of narrow escapes he had he fought with the Indians and was a great deal of his time to the West that she has heard her deceased husband the said Edward Jones state very often of the many hardships he endured she knows too that he often said the country owed him land for his services he having been more entitled than many who had received land but she is satisfied that he died without his ever receiving his land the said Edward Jones died in this County in the year 1807 and that she is now and has remained the widow of said Jones to whom she was married by Parson John Young on the 7th day of June 1792.

S/ Frances Jones, X her mark

I further certify that the Records of my office furnish no evidence of the marriage of Edward Jones with Frances Jones, many of the Records having been destroyed or lost by fire. Given under my hand and seal aforesaid this 12th day of May 1843

S/ John S Pendleton, Clerk of Caroline County Court

I Joseph N. Dickins¹ of the County of Caroline and State of Virginia do hereby Certify that I was well acquainted with Edward Jones of this County and that the said Jones lived and died just in my neighborhood and that the said Jones was in the war of the Revolution but how long he served I cannot now say nor do I know what officers he was under I myself being only in the militia. Given under my hand this the 27th day of April 1843.

S/ Joseph N. Dickins, X his mark

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1836, for her husband's service in the Virginia State Troops.]

¹ Joseph N. Dickin R2948