

# Questions for Applicant

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

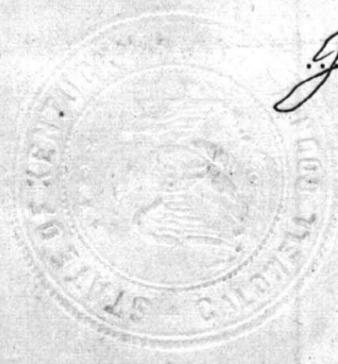
..... Caldwell ..... County.

..... Johnson R. Belle Kilgore ..... of said State and County, desiring to avail herself of the pension allowed to Indigent Widows of Soldiers, General Assembly, approved March 11, 1912, hereby submits her proofs, and after being duly sworn true answers to make to the following questions, deposes and answers as follows:

1. What is your full name and where do you reside? (Give State, County and Postoffice.) ..... Johnson R. Belle Kilgore Caldwell Co., Ky. Rennie, Ky.
2. How long and since when have you been a resident of this State? All my life - since 1847.
3. When and where were you born and what was your maiden name? Caldwell Co., Ky. Sept. 20, 1847.
4. When and where was your husband born—state his full name, and where were you and he married, and who performed the marriage ceremony. (If possible, attach certified copy marriage license in every case.) ..... Caldwell Co., Ky. March 18, 1848. Stanley Harris Kilgore. Married in Lyon Co., Ky. by Squire William Stallard.
5. When and where and in what Company and Regiment did your husband enlist or serve during the war between the States? In 1861 - Company G.
6. How long did your husband serve in said Company and Regiment? .....
7. When and where did your husband's Company and Regiment surrender? ..... Fort Mifflin Feb. 15, 1862
8. Was your husband present at the time and place when his Company and Regiment surrendered? ..... Yes.
9. If not with his command at surrender, state clearly and specifically where he was, when he left command, for what cause and by what authority? .....
10. When and where did your husband die? Caldwell Co., Ky. in 1872.
11. At the time of your husband's death, were you living with him as his lawful wife? ..... Yes.
12. Have you married since the death of your soldier husband? ..... No.
13. What property, real or personal, or income do you have or possess, and its gross value? ..... No land. No personal property. About \$1500 per yr. Income interest on loan money.
14. Have you a family? If so, who compose such family? ..... No family.
15. Name some friend, giving his name and postoffice address, who will be willing to have us write to him about your case if necessary. .... John H. Herndon, Rennie, Ky.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this, the }  
4<sup>th</sup> day of May 1912, }  
R. L. Gusham Clerk  
of Caldwell County.

Johnson R. Belle Kilgore x



# Questions for Witnesses

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Cass County.

Joseph Boutwell and R. W. Devie, of said State and County, having been presented as a witness in support of the application of Mrs. John R. Bee Shigoe for a pension under Confederate Pension Law, approved March 11, 1912, after being duly sworn, true answers to make to the following questions, depôses and answers as follows:

1. What is your name and what is your postoffice address? Joseph Boutwell, Princeton, Ky. Robert W. Devie, Princeton, Ky.
2. Are you acquainted with the applicant, Mrs. John R. Bee Shigoe?  
If so, how long have you known her? Yes. Several years, about 35 years - Yes
3. Where does she reside, and how long and since when has she been a resident of this State? 6 miles South of Princeton, Ky. Cass Co. all her life since I know her - no
4. Were you ever acquainted with her husband? Yes - Yes
5. Were either or both of you present at the marriage? No - No
6. How long did you know him? Since 1861 - Since boyhood
7. When and where did Thomas Starvo Shigoe enlist in the war between the States, and in what Company and Regiment did he enlist, and how do you know this? He enlisted at Princeton, Ky. in Fall 1861. Company G, He served under Forrest. I was with the same command with him. Same.
8. Were you a member of the same Company and Regiment at the close of the war? No - No. I think not.
9. How long did he perform regular military duty? Over in active military service with him for more than a year and no forward in prison with him. - No.
10. When and where was his Company and Regiment surrendered? Fort Mifflin, Pa. in Feb. 1862. Same.
11. Were you with the command when it surrendered? Yes - Yes
12. Was Thomas Starvo Shigoe, the husband of applicant, present? Yes - Don't remember
13. If not present, where was he? \_\_\_\_\_
14. When and where did he leave his command? It was captured at Fort Mifflin very near me. Feb. 1862.  
For what cause? Was taken prisoner - Don't remember
- By whose authority did he leave? \_\_\_\_\_
- How do you know all this? (State fully and clearly.) I served with the applicant and was in prison with him. I was in the army with him, in the same company and Regiment.
15. When and where did Thomas Starvo Shigoe die? I do not know - Don't remember when and where in this country.
16. Where did he reside at his death, and how long had he been a resident of Kentucky at his death? I think he resided South of Princeton, Ky. in Cass Co, Ky. and had always lived in said county.
17. Do you know of your own knowledge that applicant is the lawful widow of Thomas Starvo Shigoe? I was not present at the marriage but know every man to believe that she is. - Yes.

18. Has she remained unmarried since her soldier husband's death, and is she now his widow? .....

*Yes - I know so.*

19. What property, effects or income has the applicant, if any, and how do you know this of your own knowledge?

*I do not know - I don't think she has any.*

Has applicant conveyed any property, in the last two years or given any away, if so, what was it, and to whom?

*I don't know - none known*

NOTE.—Let the witness who can answer the greatest number of the questions do so; then let the other witness state in the space below how much of the testimony of the first witness he concurs in, and whether or not he can answer any of the questions not answered by the first witness.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this *4th*

day of *May* 191*2*

*R. L. Kresham* Clerk  
*Caldwell County*

*Jos. Baitnatt*  
*R. U. Redil*  
Witnesses.

THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATE OF THE COUNTY JUDGE MUST BE FILLED OUT WHETHER THE APPLICANT OWNS ANY TAXABLE PROPERTY OR NOT.

I, *Mr. P. Smith* Judge of *Caldwell* County, Kentucky,

hereby certify that the property assessed on the tax books of this County to Mrs. *Johnson Belle Kilgore* the widow of *Friday 26. Kilgore* amounts to \$ *0* real estate and \$ *0* personal

*Mr. P. Smith, Judge*  
For *Caldwell* County, Ky.

Certificate of Clerk of Court or Notary Public

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

*Caldwell* County.

I, *R. L. Kresham* Clerk or Notary Public, in and for said county, hereby

certify that the applicant, Mrs. *Johnson R. Belle Kilgore* resides in said county, and has been a bona fide resident of this State since the *20th* day of *Sept. 1848*, and that the witnesses, Mr. *Joseph Baitnatt & R. U. Redil* are of trustworthy character, and that their statements are entitled to full faith and credit.

I do further certify that before answering the foregoing questions, the applicant and said witness took the oath herein prescribed, and the full text of the affidavits was read to the applicant and witnesses before the same was signed and subscribed.

Witness my hand and official seal this *20th* day of *Sept.* 191*2*  
(SEAL) *R. L. Kresham* Clk.  
*Caldwell* County.

- Note—1. Before any questions are answered, the Clerk or Notary shall swear applicant and the witnesses in the following words: "You do solemnly swear that you will true answers make to each of the questions asked of you, and the evidence you shall give will be the whole truth; so help you God."
- 2. Additional affidavits may be attached, if blank spaces are insufficient.
- 3. All affidavits must be made before an officer using a seal.
- 4. Only widows who were the wives of soldiers need apply—and are now widows. Those married since Jan. 1st, 1890, not entitled.
- 5. Two witnesses are necessary to make out claims.
- 6. Attach certified copy marriage license in every case, or certificate of County Court Clerk, under seal, that license is filed in his office duly certified by officiating minister, or the affidavit of the officiating minister, or the affidavit of a witness of the ceremony, or the affidavit of two witnesses who knew them as man and wife, prior to January 1, 1890, and knew that they were living together on the date of his death.



**NOTICE TO APPLICANTS.**

The Widows' Pension Law, passed by the Kentucky Legislature, provides for the widows of *soldiers only*, and they must have been residents of the State of Kentucky since January 1, 1907.  
Widow must have married prior to 1890.  
To be eligible the applicant must have remained a widow after the death of her soldier husband, and must be indigent.  
Read the questions in the application carefully and answer them fully.  
Read the law, and unless you come clearly under the laws it will be useless to file application.

No. 789

**Widow's  
Indigent Pension**

Name *John R. Belle Kilgore*

Filed **SEP. 21 1912**

Widow of *Trusley A. Kilgore*

Approved *Feb 20<sup>th</sup> 1913*  
*W. J. Stone Examiner*

All blanks on this filing to be filled by the Pension Board



WAR DEPARTMENT,  
1956914  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,  
WASHINGTON, September 27, 1912.

Respectfully returned to the

Examiner,  
Confederate Pension Department,  
Frankfort, Kentucky.

The official records show that one T. H. Kilgore, who may or may not be identical with the man referred to within, served as a private in Company G, 1st Regiment Kentucky Cavalry, Confederate States Army, which was at one time attached to Colonel Forrest's Regiment. It is stated on the records that the said Kilgore was enlisted October 15, 1861, at Hopkinsville, Kentucky, and on a roll of the company dated December 31, 1862, which is the last on file, he was reported as having deserted December 15, 1862. No later record of him has been found.

*E. Andrews*  
The Adjutant General.

(A.G.O. 74)

Indorsement

Confederate Pension Department

STATE OF KENTUCKY

FRANKFORT.

MRS. JOHNSON R. V. KILGORE,  
widow of  
TINSLEY H. KILGORE

Enlisted Oct. 15, 1861, Co. G,  
1st Kentucky Cavalry and  
deserted December 15, 1862.  
Shown by the record. Kilgore  
was a member of the same  
company to which I belonged  
and enlisted for 1 year, and  
when his time expired he  
did not re-enlist for a  
~~while~~ but remained with the  
company a while and then  
went to his home in Kentucky.

Indigent. *W. J. Stone*

I recommend that this  
claim be allowed.

*J. Sandell*  
Adjutant General.

State of Kentucky. )  
                          )  
                          ) Set.  
                          )  
Caldwell County.  )

We, the undersigned witnesses, state that Johnson R. Belle Kilgore was married to Tinsley Harriss Kilgore prior to the year 1890 and that she lived with him as his wife until his death and that she is now his lawful widow.

...*W. C. Rucker*.....

...*H. M. Jones*.....

Sworn and subscribed to before me this the 19th. day of  
September 1912.

...*R. L. Gresham*.....

Clk. Caldwell County Court.

No. \_\_\_\_\_ W \_\_\_\_\_

HEADQUARTERS

# Confederate Pension Department

W. J. STONE, EXAMINER

FRANKFORT, KY.

SEP 21 1912

191 \_\_\_\_\_

GEN. W. P. HALL,  
Adjutant General, U. S. A.,  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Mrs. *Johnson B. Bell Kilgore*

who is an applicant for pension under the Kentucky Widows' Pension Law,

claims that her husband *Insley S. Kilgore*

was a member of Company *G* Regiment \_\_\_\_\_ C. S. A.,

and was \_\_\_\_\_

*Served under Forrest*

*Enlisted at Princeton, Ky.  
in Fall of 1861 +*

Please give me the record of this soldier.

Respectfully,

*W. J. Stone*

Examiner.

Approved by State Pension Board.

*James M. McHenry*  
Chairman.

CALDWELL COUNTY COURT.

JUNE TERM 1912.

In the application of Mrs. Johnson R. Belle Kilgore, for a pension under an Act of the General Assembly of Kentucky, granting pensions to disabled and indigent Confederate soldiers

The applicant having filed her application on or before a regular term of the Caldwell County Court and the application having laid over to a regular, subsequent term of said Court and the following witnesses; the County Attorney being present to represent the Commonwealth; were introduced to testify as to the residence, citizenship and means of support of the applicant:- H.M. Jones, whose address is Princeton, Ky., and John Drennan, whose address is Remit, Kentucky.

The witness, H.M. Jones, being duly sworn testified in substance, as follows:-

That he had known the applicant for 40 years and that she had been a resident of Caldwell County, Ky., ever since he has known her and that she is the lawful widow of Tinsley Harriss Kilgore and has remained single since his death; that she own practically no property and has very little income and that she is unable to earn a support.

The witness, John Drennan, being duly sworn testified in substance as follows:-

That he had known Mrs. Kilgore for 20 years or more and that she is the lawful widow of Tinsley Harris Kilgore and that she has been an actual bone-fide resident of Caldwell County, Kentucky ever since he has known her and that she has no property except a note for \$250.00 and that she has no income except the interest from this note; that the applicant is in needy circumstances and very much

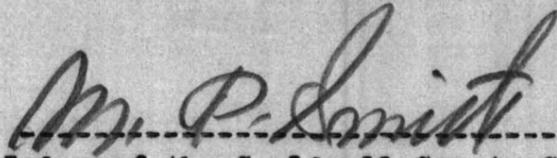
in need of this aid.

The regular Judge of the Caldwell County Court being absent on account of illness the nearest Justice of the Peace was notified by the County Court Clerk of the absence of the Judge and the undersigned Justice of the Peace presided as the Judge of the Caldwell County court.

The above named witnesses are men of excellent characters and entitled to full faith and credit. The applicant is the lawful widow of Tinsley Harriss Kilgore and in needy circumstances and I recommend that this pension be granted to the applicant.

It is ordered that the above facts in evidence, together with a copy of the application, be forwarded to the Adjutant General and that the duplicate copy of the application remain on file in the office of the Caldwell County Court Clerk.

This June 17, 1912.



Acting Judge of the Caldwell County Court.

J. R. Kevill

JOHN B. WYLLIE, PRESIDENT

J. A. STEGAR, V-PRES.

RAY BAKER, CASHIER

HUGH A. GOODWIN, ASS'T CASHIER

NO. 5257

# THE FARMERS NATIONAL BANK

CAPITAL STOCK \$50,000

PRINCETON, KY., \_\_\_\_\_ 192

I am rather inclined to think the Treasurer will not do this, yet they have asked me to ask this of you, and if consistent with your affairs, I hope this may be done for them, otherwise will you please state what shall be done to collect this amount.

Thanking you in advance, and with best wishes, I am,

Yours truly,

*Ray Baker*

Cas.  
Ray Baker

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CAPITAL STOCK \$50,000

PRINCETON, KY., Nov. 22, 1921. \_\_\_\_\_ 192

Hon. W. J. Stone,

Frankfort, Ky.

Dear Captain Stone:

I am sending you herein Treasurers check No. 29510 for \$26.00 payable to Mrs. Johnson R. B. Kilgore who has died, leaving two daughters, Mrs. Maude Drennah and Mrs. Cora Johnson only heirs, who do not want to qualify as Administrators, thereby saving a cost to them, and this being all the estate left, except a small amount of cash in this bank, which we have paid without Administrators having been appointed, and while we do not know if you will do this, yet the heirs ask that you look into this matter by delivering to the State Treasurer this check, and ask if he will issue one in the name of the above heirs, whose names are given, and mail to us that delivery may be made to them.

November 23rd, 1921.

Ray Baker;  
Princeton, Ky.  
My Dear Friend:-

I have yours of the 22nd inclosing a check for \$36.00 made payable to Mrs. Johnson R.B. Kilgore, and note carefully what you say.

The request of the ladies, daughters of Mrs. Kilgore, that a check be issued in their names cannot be granted.

You do not give me the date of the death of Mrs. Kilgore. Consequently I cannot give you information as how to proceed with this check. If she died before Nov. 1st the check is for more than was due her, and a check will have to be issued for the amount due her at the time of her death. If she died since the first day of November this check will not only be due her estate, but in addition thereto there will be due her accrued pension from November 1st to the date of her death.

I am inclosing you information as to how anything due the pensioner of the date of death may be collected. The law requires an administrator to be appointed, and it also provides that there shall be no cost attaching to the prosecution or collection of pensions, except the fees of a Notary Public. If you will give me the date of the death of Mrs. Kilgore I can then give you instructions how to proceed.

Yours truly,

WJS-C

Commissioner.

JOHN R. WYLIE, PRESIDENT  
J. A. STEGAR, V-PRES.

RAY BAKER, CASHIER  
HUGH A. GOODWIN, ASS'T CASHIER

NO. 5257

## THE FARMERS NATIONAL BANK

CAPITAL STOCK \$50,000

PRINCETON, KY., Nov. 25, 1921. 192

Hon. W. J. Stone,

Frankfort, Ky.

Dear Sir:

With further reference to the matter of Mrs. Kilgore, who died Nov. 3rd, 1921, I ask that you communicate with her daughter, Mrs. Cora Drennan, Twin Springs, Ky, advising her what course to pursue. I am sorry that I have to again bother you, as I was sure my request in first letter would not be granted, yet I did this just to satisfy them, and any favors shown them will be appreciated.

Yours truly,

*Ray Baker*  
Cas

November 29th, 1921.

Mrs. Cora Drennan,  
Twin Springs, Ky.

Dear Madam:-

On the 23rd of November I received a letter from Mr. Ray Baker of Princeton, Ky. in which he inclosed a check for the amount due your mother on the 1st of November and a request that a check be issued instead made payable to you and your Sister. That request could not be granted. In that letter he did not give me the date of the death of your mother, and I am now in receipt of a letter from Mr. Baker informing me that your mother died November 3rd, 1921.

I am forwarding the check to you with this letter and it can be endorsed ~~in~~ and the money collected by anyone authorized by law to endorse it, and the money can be used as any other part of any estate she may have had at the time of her death. Your mother having died November 3rd, there is due her estate \$1.20, being accrued pension from November 1st to Nov. 3rd inclusive, and I am inclosing you information as to how that may be collected.

Yours truly,

Encls.  
WJS-C

Commissioner.