

(ORIGINAL)

Questions for Applicant

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Spencer County.

Mrs. Elizabeth A. Riley 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.) *Elizabeth A. Riley Mt. Eden Spencer County Kentucky*

2. How long and since when have you been a resident of this State? *all of life*

3. When and where were you born and what was your maiden name? *Born at near Harrodsburg Mercer County Ky on April the 9th 1832 Elizabeth A. Foreman*

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.) *Born April 16th 1830 in Washington County Ky. I think name John Walker Riley. were married in Mercer County Ky by Rev. John Demery, at the house of Abram Shapp.*

5. When and where and in what Company and Regiment did your husband enlist or serve during the war between the States? *Sept. 1862. dont know just where Co. B. 2nd Regiment Ky. Cal.*

6. How long did your husband serve in said Company and Regiment? *from Sept. 1862 until death July 18th 1864*

7. When and where did your husband's Company and Regiment surrender? *Dont know*

8. Was your husband present at the time and place when his Company and Regiment surrendered? *No. I suppose he was dead*

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? *he was dead. Taken the Messah and died at Juncos Hill Georgia. so I was informed by a letter from a comrade*

10. When and where did your husband die? *July 18th 1864. at Juncos Hill Georgia*

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? *None*

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. *Loyd Simpson Stumett Ky.*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this, the *23rd* day of *May* 191*2*.

Chas. W. McFarley N. P. S. C.
of *Spencer* County.

my commission Expires March the 10th 1914.

Elizabeth Riley

Questions for Witnesses

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Spencer County.

James H. Dadieman of said State and County, having been presented as a witness in support of the application of Mrs. Elizabeth A. Riley for a pension under Confederate Pension Law, approved March 11, 1912, after being duly sworn, true answers to make to the following questions, deposes and answers as follows:

1. What is your name and what is your postoffice address? James H. Dadieman
Van Buren Ky.
2. Are you acquainted with the applicant, Mrs. Elizabeth A. Riley
If so, how long have you known her? have known her for at least 50 years
3. Where does she reside, and how long and since when has she been a resident of this State? is at Mt. Eden Ky. in Spencer Co. & has been a resident of Ky. ever since I know her, or all of her life
4. Were you ever acquainted with her husband? Yes
5. Were either or both of you present at the marriage? No
6. How long did you know him? 48 yrs at least
7. When and where did John Walker Riley enlist in the war between the States, and in what Company and Regiment did he enlist, and how do you know this? Dont remember when or where Co. B. 2nd Regiment Ky. Cal. & was with him in the same Co. & Regt.
8. Were you a member of the same Company and Regiment at the close of the war? Was Captured in Louisville Ky. about Jan. 1865 & never got back with any company any more,
9. How long did he perform regular military duty? about 2 years
10. When and where was his Company and Regiment surrendered? Dont remember
11. Were you with the command when it surrendered? No
12. Was John Walker Riley ~~the~~ husband of applicant, present?
He was Dead I think
13. If not present, where was he? Dead I think
14. When and where did he leave his command? Dont know cant remember
For what cause? Sickness I am sure
By whose authority did he leave? Dont know
How do you know all this? (State fully and clearly.) was with the command and he and myself Messed Together until he Taken Sick
15. When and where did John Walker Riley die? Dont know
16. Where did he reside at his death, and how long had he been a resident of Kentucky at his death? Dont know just where he Died, as it was before the close of War, was Resident of Ky. before the war all of his life I am sure.
17. Do you know of your own knowledge that applicant is the lawful widow of John Walker Riley?
Yes

he remained unmarried since her soldier husband's death, and is she now his widow? ... *yes*

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

has no property and know this from the fact she has ^{been} living at different places around in Spencer, Anderson, Nelson, Co., Ky. ever since the close of war, with other persons most of the time.

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

None

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.

2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10 *yes* - 11-12-13-14-15-16-17-18-19-20 *no property* *Remember date*

11-*yes* 12-*Don't know* 13-*Don't know* 14-15-16-17-18-19-20-*no property*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this *23rd*

day of *May* 191*2*

Chas. W. McLaughlin, N.P.S.C.
my commission Expires March 10th 1914.

James H. Dadisman

Jordan Cook

Witnesses.

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

I, *Samuel Baird*, Judge of *Spencer* County, Kentucky,

hereby certify that the property assessed on the tax books of this County to Mrs. *Elizabeth Riley*

the widow of *John Walker Riley* amounts to \$ *no* real estate and

no personal *Samuel Baird*, Trustee.

For *Spencer* County, Ky.

Certificate of Clerk of Court or Notary Public

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Spencer County.

I, *Chas. W. McLaughlin*, ~~Clerk~~ Notary Public, in and for said county, hereby

certify that the applicant, Mrs. *Elizabeth A. Riley* resides in said county, and has been

a bona fide resident of this State since the *first* day of *January* ^{*to my own knowledge 25 yrs*} 1907, and that the wit-

nesses, Mr. *James H. Dadisman and Jordan Cook*

are of trustworthy character, and that their statements are entitled to full faith and credit.

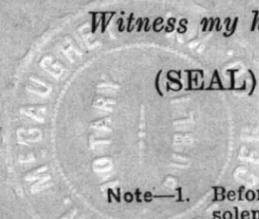
I do further certify that before answering the foregoing questions, the applicant and said witness took the oath herein prescribed, and the full text of the affidavits was read to the applicant and witnesses before the same was signed and subscribed.

Witness my hand and official seal this *23rd* day of *May* 191*2*

(SEAL)

Chas. W. McLaughlin Notary Public

Spencer 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. 305

**Widow's
Indigent Pension**

Name *Elizabeth A. Riley*

Filed *SEP 5 - 1912*

Widow of *John H. Riley*

Approved *Feb 25th 1913*
W. J. Stone Examiner

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



Indorsement

Confederate Pension Department

STATE OF KENTUCKY

FRANKFORT.

MRS. ELIZABETH RILEY
widow of
JOHN W. RILEY,

Who enlisted Sept. 6, 1862,
in Company B, 2nd Kentucky
Cavalry, and he was captured
April 9, 1863, and was
exchanged May 14, 1863, and
died July 18, 1864 at Tunnel
Hill, Ga. Proven by the record
and comrades.

Indigent.

W J Stone.

I recommend that this
claim be allowed.

J. Sandell
Adjutant General.

Approved by the State
Pension Board.

James B. McInerney
Chairman.

No. _____ W _____

HEADQUARTERS

Confederate Pension Department

W. J. STONE, EXAMINER

FRANKFORT, KY.

SEP 5 - 1912 191 _____

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

Dear Sir:

Mrs. *Elizabeth A. Riley*

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

claims that her husband *John W. Riley*

was a member of Company *B* Regiment *2d Ky. C. S. A.*

and was *Com*

Please give me the record of this soldier.

Respectfully,

W. J. Stone
Examiner.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

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WAR DEPARTMENT,
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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON. Sept. 9, 1912.

Respectfully returned to the

Examiner,
Confederate Pension Department,
Frankfort, Ky.

The records show that John W. Riley, private, Company B, 2d Kentucky Cavalry, Confederate States Army, was enlisted Sept. 6 (year not stated), for 3 years; that he was captured April 9, 1863, in Anderson County, Ky., and paroled at Ft. McHenry, Md., and that he was received on James River by the Confederate exchange agent May 14, 1863. No later record of him has been found.

[Signature]
The Adjutant General.

(A.G.O.74)

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Spencer County Court.
September Term--September 2, 1912.

In the matter of the application for a pension of
Elizabeth Riley.

This cause being heard and submitted on oral proof
on this day came the applicant Elizabeth Riley and introduced
Charles Driskill and J. H. Yates, address of both, Mt. Eden,
Ky., both being housekeepers.

They testified that Elizabeth Riley is about 76 years
of age and has lived in Spencer County, Ky., for longer
than 11 years; that she has no property of any kind or
character whatever; that due to her advanced age and
consequent infirmities she is not able to earn a sum sufficient
for her support or any part of same; that she does not draw
a pension from the United States Government or any other
source and that she has no one upon she can depend for
support and no contract with any person whereby she can compel
them to support her.

It is adjudged by the Court that the said Elizabeth Riley
has been a resident of Spencer County, Ky., for longer than
11 years; that she has no property; is unable to earn a
support; does not draw a pension from any source and has no
contract whereby she can compel any one to support her.

S. K. Baird

J. S. C. C.

Mercer County Ky. 1851.

To the Clerk of the Mercer County Court,

This is to certify that I solemnized the rights of matrimony between the following persons in the following manner. Viz:- John W. Riley and Elizabeth A. Frpman at the Home of Abram Shapp the 29h day of May, 1851,

John Demaree.

State of kentucky
 sect.

County of Mercer

I. H. L. Gibbs, Clerk of the County Court in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the marriage return which is now in my said office on file in File Box of said date of 1851, and that the above return is as full as is set out in said return.

Given under my hand and seal of office this May 28th, 1851.

I. H. L. Gibbs Clerk.
Mercer County Court.

Harrodsburg, Ky.