

# Soldier's Application for Pension

I, P. E. Fowler

am a citizen of Kentucky, resident at Marion in the County of Crittenden

in said State of Kentucky, and was a soldier from the State of Kentucky, in the war between the United States and the Confederate States and I do hereby apply for aid under the Act of the General Assembly of

Kentucky, entitled "An Act granting pension to disabled and indigent Confederate soldiers." And I do solemnly swear

that I was a member of Company K, 3rd Kentucky Infantry

in the service of the Confederate States, and that by reason of disability and indigence I am now entitled to receive the benefit of this Act. I further swear that I do not receive aid or pension from any other State, or from the United States, and that I am not an inmate of any soldier's home, and that I am unable to earn a reasonable support for myself and family. I do further solemnly swear that the answers given to the following questions are true:

In what County, State and year were you born?

Answer Crittenden County, Kentucky, 4th February, 1832.

When did you enlist and in what command? Give the names of the regimental and company officers under whom you served?

Answer Enlisted June 1861, Capt. Tom Barnett, Col. P. Williams, Co. K, 3rd Ky. Infantry. Afterwards transferred to Cavalry under Gen. J. H. Morgan, and Col. Adam Johnson.

How did you get out of the army, when and where? In 1863 at Estill Springs, Ky, was taken sick

and after examination by Dr. Woodbury, he recommended to Gen. Morgan my discharge because of sickness and was then & there honorably discharged

Were you ever in prison? If so, state what prison and when released.

Answer No.

Were you paroled? If so, when and where?

Answer No.

Did you take the oath of allegiance to the United States Government?

Answer No.

If so, when and under what circumstances?

Answer ✓

In what business are you now engaged, if any, and what do you earn?

Answer *No business, and nearly blind & earn nothing.*

What estate have you in your own right, real and personal, and what is its actual cash value?

Answer *Home, P.O. & about \$400.00 in Cash.*

What estate has your wife in her own right, real and personal, and what is its actual cash value?

Answer *Have no wife or family.*

State the net income of yourself and your wife from all sources for the past year. This must include all money received either from wages, rents or interest on loaned money, if any.

Answer *None at all.*

Do you use intoxicants to any extent?

Answer *No.*

How long and since when have you been an actual resident of the State of Kentucky?

Answer *All my life.*

Have you an attorney to look after this application?

Answer *Yes, C. S. Gunn, without compensation.*

If so, give his name and address?

Answer *C. S. Gunn, Marion, Kentucky.*

Witness my hand this *23rd* day of *April*, 191*2*

WITNESSES:

*Attest: Anna Lue Finley*  
*H. Nicholson Trager*, Physician

*R. E. Fowler*  
P. O. *his mark*

Postoffice Address *Marion Ky*  
*D. J. Gress*, Witness

Street and No. (if any)  
R. F. D. (if any)

Postoffice Address *Marion Ky*  
*H. Stephens*, Witness

Postoffice Address *Marion Ky*

STATE OF KENTUCKY

*Crittenden* County } I, *J. W. Buech*, Judge of said County,

certify that *R. E. Fowler* and his wife are  
assessed with *4 town lots* acres, valued at \$*400.00*, and with \$*400.00* of personal property.

Witness my hand this *10th* day of *June*, 191*2*

*J. W. Buech* Judge County Court.

If applicant and his wife have no property, the Judge must so certify.

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Crittenden County } Personally appeared before me Anna Lue Finley  
a Notary Public in & for said County, the above named R. C. Fowler  
the applicant, with whom I am personally acquainted, and having the application read and fully explained to him, as  
well as the statements and answers therein made, made oath that the said statements and answers are true.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this 23rd day of April, 1917

My commission expires Feb. 26, 1918

Anna Lue Finley N.P.

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Crittenden County } Personally appeared before me Anna Lue Finley  
a Notary Public of said County, the above named P. Atchison Frazer  
one of the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing application, and who is a physician of good standing, and being duly  
sworn says that he has carefully and thoroughly examined R. C. Fowler  
the applicant, and find him laboring under the following disabilities: Unable to earn a support by manual labor.

Claimant has right direct inguinal hernia. The hernia  
passes through the external ring but does not descend  
into the scrotum. Claimant cannot wear truss. Claimant  
has double cataract and can only see his way in day  
light. Claimant also suffers from general and se-  
vere debility and is unable to earn a support by  
manual labor

Witness my hand and seal of office, this 23rd day of April, 1917

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Anna Lue Finley

(If possible, the two witnesses as to character should have served with the applicant in the army, and if so, let them, or either, state it in their oath;  
also any other information regarding applicant's army service.)

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Crittenden County } Personally appeared before me Anna Lue Finley  
Notary Public of said County, the above named D. F. Guess  
and Peter C. Stephens, two of the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing application,  
with whom I am personally acquainted, and known to me to be citizens of veracity and standing in this community, and  
who make oath that they are personally acquainted with the foregoing applicant, and that the facts set forth and state-  
ments made in this application are correct and true, to the best of their knowledge and belief, and that they have no in-  
terest in this claim, and that said applicant's habits are good and free from dishonor. And they

further make oath to the following facts touching the applicant's service in the Confederate army.

State here what witnesses know of their own knowledge.

Mr. Guess says that he joined the Confederate army at  
the same time the applicant did and served in the army with the  
applicant in the same company and remained until the  
applicant was captured and imprisoned

Mr. Stephens says that he was a neighbor of the applicant  
and knows that the applicant enlisted in the Confederate  
army and served the time stated in the application

Witness my hand and seal of office, this 13 day of May, 1917

My commission expires Feb. 26, 1918

Anna Lue Finley

No. 1  
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STATE OF KENTUCKY

**Soldier's Application for Pension**

*R. C. Fisher*

Co. .... Rgt.

Filed JUN 21 1912

Allowed .....

Read Specifications on Back.

**SPECIFICATIONS**

- 1.....
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- 4.....
- 5.....

*Approved July 11<sup>th</sup> 1913*  
*W. J. Stone* Commissioner

All blanks on this filing to be filled by the Pension Board  
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**To Applicants for Pension**

The material facts to be proven in the pension claim, under the laws of the State of Kentucky, are as follows:

- 1. Service in army.
- 2. Present Disability.
- 3. Indigency.
- 4. How you got out of the Army.
- 5. Character as a Soldier and Citizen.
- 6. Applications will not be filed unless certificates of Doctor and County Judge are filled out.

- 1. May be proven by officers or comrades.
- 2. May be proven by physician's certificate.
- 3. May be proven by neighbors and by certificate of County Judge.
- 4. May be proven by filing parole or discharge, or in case these have been lost or destroyed, by officers or comrades who know the facts.
- 5. May be proven by comrades and citizens.



Address: "The Adjutant General,  
War Department, Washington, D. C."

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**WAR DEPARTMENT,**

**THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,**

WASHINGTON, June 25, 1912.

*Respectfully returned to the*

Examiner,  
Confederate Pension Department,  
Frankfort, Kentucky.

The name R. E. Fowler has not  
been found on the rolls, on file in  
this office, of Company K, 3d Ken-  
tucky Infantry, Confederate States  
Army, and no record has been found  
of the capture or parole of a man of  
that name and organization.

*Henry J. Cain*  
Adjutant General.

Indorsement

**Confederate Pension Department**

STATE OF KENTUCKY

FRANKFORT.

R. E. FOWLER

Enlisted August 20, 1862,  
in Company G, 10th Kentucky  
Cavalry, and was discharged  
on account of physical dis-  
ability from further  
military service on Nov.  
1863. Proven by the  
records.

Property: \$900.00

W J Stone.

I recommend that this  
claim be allowed.

*J. Handy Ellis*  
Adjutant General.

Approved by State Pension  
Board.

*James B. McCreary*  
Chairman.

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HEADQUARTERS

# Confederate Pension Department

W. J. STONE, EXAMINER

FRANKFORT, KY.

JUN 21 1912 191\_\_\_\_\_

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

Dear Sir:

*R. E. Fowler*

who is an applicant for Pension under the Kentucky Pension law, claims  
to have been a member of Company *K-3d Ky*  
Regiment *Inf.* C. S. A., and to have been

Please give me the record of this soldier.

Respectfully,

*W. J. Stone*  
Examiner.

R. E. Fowler, Marion, Kentucky.

80 years old.

Have been a resident of Crittenden County, Kentucky, all my life. Own house and lot worth about \$500. I have about \$400 in money and notes. No other property. Nearly blind. Not able to work. No income.

W. H. Wallace, Marion, Ky.

U. G. Hughes, Marion, Kentucky.

These witnesses say they know Mr. Fowler and that he has no property except as stated by him. And he is not able to labor in whole or in part for his support.

The above named witnesses are personally known to me to be worthy of credit, and I find from <sup>the</sup> evidence that R E Fowler applicant, owns real estate of the value of \$ 500<sup>00</sup>, and personal property of the value of \$ 400. That he has income of \$ 25<sup>00</sup>, and is <sup>unable</sup> ~~is~~ able to earn a support by manual labor, and has no profession, trade, or calling from which to derive an income.

*J. B. Blue*  
Crittenden County

April 7, 1913.

Mr. R. E. Fowler,

Marion (Crittenden Co), Ky.

Dear Sir:-

Upon examination of the proof filed with your application for pension I find that there is no record proof of your enlistment or service in the Confederate Army. One witness testifies that he was in the same company and regiment with you and served with you till his capture, but does not say how long that was; another witness says that he was your neighbor and knows you enlisted in the Confederate Army. Proof of length of service, and when and how you got out of the army, necessary.

Get all the proof you can on these points and forward to this office to be filed with your application before it is submitted to the Board for its action.

Yours truly,

Examiner.

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Address: "The Adjutant General,  
War Department, Washington, D.C."

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WAR DEPARTMENT,  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,  
Washington, May 16, 1913.

Respectfully returned to

Hon. Ollie M. James,  
United States Senate.

*Original on  
File with D.F. Guess claim*

Neither the name D. F. Guess nor the name R. E. or Ed Fowler has been found on the rolls, on file in this office, of Company K, 3d Kentucky Mounted Infantry, Confederate States Army, nor has any record been found of the capture or parole of a man of either of those names as of the organization named.

The records show, however, that one D. F. Guess, rank not shown, was enlisted August 30, 1862, as a member of Company G, 10th (Johnson's) Kentucky Cavalry, Confederate States Army, and the records of prisoners of war show that D. F. Guess, private, Company H, 10th Kentucky Cavalry, Confederate States Army, was captured in Crittenden County, Kentucky, January 5, 1863, and released on oath at Camp Chase, Ohio, March 27, 1863. No further record of a man of this name has been found.

The records also show that one R. Fowler (name also borne as Robert Fowler) enlisted August 20, 1862, in New Company G, 10th (Johnson's) Kentucky Cavalry, Confederate States Army. The Company muster roll for November and December, 1862, last roll on file in this office, shows him discharged, date not stated. No further record of this soldier has been found.

Geo. Andrews  
The Adjutant General.

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State of Kentucky/  
Crittenden County/ Sct.

I, Anna Lue Finley, a Notary public in and for the county and state aforesaid, certify that the above instrument of writing is a true copy.

*Anna Lue Finley*  
Notary Public.

*My commission expires Feb. 26, 1916.*

*R.E. Fowler*

*D.F. Guess*

*D.F. Guess*

*R.E. Fowler*

State of Kentucky/  
Crittenden County/ Affidavit.

The affiant, R. E. Fowler, supplementing his original application for Confederate pension under the laws of Kentucky, says that in June, 1861, he signed enlistment papers in the Confederate army in Crittenden County under Captains Tom Barnett and William Wallace, and with them went to Camp Boone, near Clarksville, Tennessee, on the Kentucky line, and was drilled there with General Tillman's (Tiglman) command. Stayed at Camp Boone and drilled until August when I was taken down with the measles and sent under furlough as an invalid to McKenzie, Tennessee, where I stayed with my uncle Robert Gilbert for eight weeks. Being partially recovered at this time I went back to Clarksville. Reaching Clarksville I found that General Tillman's command had gone under orders as I remember to Glasgow, Kentucky, anyhow, the command was not in Clarksville. Then I came on back to Crittenden County, and the winter was beginning, and I remained in Crittenden County during the winter in poor health. In August, 1862, I returned to Clarksville, Tenn., and became a member of Col. Adam Johnson's <sup>cavalry</sup> command under Lieutenant Colonel Robert Martin, and in Captain Jack Prow's command. After an attack by Colonel Johnson and Woodward on the Federal Commissary at Ft. Donelson we were repulsed and Prow's Company was cut off and fell back to Tennessee Rolling Mill. My Company under Captain Prow got back to Clarksville, and then Captain Prow gave Privates Jim Bennett, Wylie Boone and myself a transfer or certificate to Genl. Morgan's command then supposed to be at Lebanon, Tennessee. Privates Bennett, Boone, and myself immediately started and made our way to Lebanon, Tennessee, and found that Morgan left there the day before on his way North. We remained at Lebanon a few days until Genl. Forrest's command passed through, and we went to Glasgow, Kentucky, where we came up with Genl. Morgan's command, and there enlisted in

that Command in Captain Jim Murphy's Company. From Glasgow I served with Morgan's command in Captain Murphy's Company all through Central and Eastern Kentucky, until we reached Estill Springs, Kentucky, in Estill County. There I was taken down with camp diarrhea. After examination by Dr. Woodbury, Capt. Jim Murphy gave me an honorable discharge because I was physically unable to do service. This was in November of 1863. I had to make my way alone from Estill Springs, Kentucky, to Crittenden County, Kentucky. Captain Murphy advised me not to let the Yankees find that discharge on me if they got me. I destroyed it long before I reached Crittenden County. I remained in Crittenden County during the rest of the war and ever since and have suffered from the same chronic trouble, diarrhea, ever since, and am now practically blind. All the furloughs, transfers, and discharge referred to above were lost many years ago. Captains Wallace and Barnett, and Privates Bennett, Boone, are long since dead. Have never heard of Dr. Woodbury or Captain Murphy since my discharge at Estill Springs in November, 1863. The affiant attaches hereto, as a part hereof, certified copy of a statement signed by George Andrews, Adjutant General of War Department, Washington, D. C., of date May 16, 1913, file NO. 2 038273, and attention is directed particularly to Paragraph 3 of said statement. The R. Fowler and the Robert Fowler referred to in said paragraph of said statement is this affiant, that is, this affiant and the Fowler referred to in said statement are one and the same persons; that this affiant's name is Robert Edward Fowler, and that there was no other person by the name of Fowler in said Company G, 10th (Johnson's) Kentucky Cavalry, C. S. A. The original of said statement of the Adjutant General is on file with the Confederate pension claim of D. F. Guess.

The affiant says that his discharge from Johnson's Cavalry, referred to in said War Department statement, as of date November and December 1862, was more in the nature of a transfer, and that by said transfer this affiant as heretofore

stated enlisted in the command of General Morgan at Glasgow  
and in Captain Jim Murphy's Company thereof, and wherein he  
served continuously until ~~October~~<sup>November</sup>, 1863, when as above stated  
this affiant was given an honorable discharge because of  
physical disability.

Attest: R. E. Fowler his  
mark. X

Subscribed and sworn to before me by R. E. Fowler this  
the 20th day of May, 1913.

My commission expires Feb. 26, 1916.

Anna L. Finley  
Notary Public.

*Handwritten notes:*  
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**BLUE & NUNN**  
LAWYERS  
MARION, KENTUCKY

July 8, 1913.

Hon. W. J. Stone,  
Frankfort, Kentucky.

Dear Sir:- In Re: R. E. Fowler's Pension claim.  
Your letter, April 7, 1913.

Enclosed is supplemental affidavit from R. E. Fowler giving particulars of his service, and when and how he got out of the service and the length of his service. Also is attached certificate from the Adjutant General's office of the Federal War department. The original certificate from which this copy is taken is filed with the claim of D. F. Guess. As a matter of fact, and the proof so shows, R. E. Fowler, or Ed Fowler, and D. F. Guess both enlisted at the same time in June, 1861, under Captains Tom Barnett and William Wallace, and from Crittenden County went to Camp Boone, near Clarksville, Tennessee, where they became a part of General Tighlman's command. Both Guess and Fowler remember that this Tighlman command was the 3rd. Kentucky ~~Mounted~~ Infantry, and that they were in Company K. These claimants perhaps are mistaken as to the NO. of the Tighlman Regiment and Company they were in, for the War Department records do not show the name of either of them on the 3rd. Ky., CO. K., roll. <sup>mounted</sup> As stated and proven by both claimants they were subsequently transferred to Col. Adam Johnson's 10th Ky. Cavalry, and the War Department certificate attached shows these facts, and as to

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Fowler shows that he served with Johnson from August to December, 1862, when Fowler was discharged. The affidavit of Fowler attached shows that this discharge was really a transfer, and that as soon as he could come in touch with General Morgan's command he enlisted in it, and continued with General Morgan until November, 1863.

Yours very truly,

*C. S. Nunn*

N/F.

STATE OF KENTUCKY  
CONFEDERATE PENSION DEPARTMENT  
FRANKFORT

W. J. STONE, COMMISSIONER

January 31, 1922.

Jesse Olive,  
Marion, Ky.  
My Dear Friend:-

Our mutual friend Mose Glenn has just shown me a letter from you in which you are making an inquiry to know whether R E Fowler is continued up till this time on the pension roll. His name is not now on the pension roll, and the last payment he received was in August, 1919. We had not been notified of his death and consequently vouchers continued to be sent to his address, but they have not been returned to this office and consequently no checks have been sent. I wish you would see the Registrar of your District and get from him a copy of a Certificate which will give the exact date of R E Fowler's death. Not knowing when he died there may be a small balance due his estate, and the date of his death is necessary for me to know so that I can determine that question.

With best wishes for you, I am

Your friend,

*W. J. Stone*  
Commissioner.

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*Marion, Ky. 2-6-22*  
*Dear Captain*  
*R. E. Fowler died Sept. 8th 1919*  
*Yours truly*  
*Jesse Olive*