

Soldier's Application for Pension

I, J. S. Garrett

am a citizen of Kentucky, resident at Wickliffe in the County of Ballard

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 B. 3rd Ky Regiment 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 Williamson County Tenn 1845.

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

Answer About March 1864 in Company B. 3rd Ky Reg. Col. Holt & Capt. J. Chas. Mesher

How did you get out of the army, when and where?

Answer Was furloughed from hospital where had been sick with measles & was at home on furlough the was closed.

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 Yes

If so, when and under what circumstances?

Answer About one month before war closed was arrested by soldiers from Cairo Ill while at home on furlough & took oath of allegiance

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

Answer *Trying to carpenter*

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

Answer *None*

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

Answer *None*

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 *\$75.00 or there about*

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 *Since I was 12 years old*

Have you an attorney to look after this application?

Answer *No*

If so, give his name and address?

Answer

Witness my hand this *15th* day of *April* 191*2*

WITNESSES:

E. B. Shelton, Physician

Postoffice Address *Wickliffe Ky*

J. S. Good Watson, Witness

Postoffice Address *Blandville Ky*

W. B. Middleton, Witness

Postoffice Address *Keokuk Ky R.F.D. #2*

J. S. Garrett

P. O. *Wickliffe Ky*

Street and No. (if any)

R. F. D. (if any)

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Ballou County } I, *J. G. Huies* Judge of said County,

certify that *J. S. Garrett* and his wife *Jane Garrett* are

assessed with *0.00* acres, valued at \$ *0.00*, and with \$ *0.00* of personal property.

Witness my hand this *20* day of *May* 191*2*

J. G. Huies Judge County Court.

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

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Ballard County } Personally appeared before me J.A. Hines
County Judge of said County, the above named J.S. Garrett
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 15th day of April, 1912
J.A. Hines J.B.C.

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Ballard County } Personally appeared before me J.A. Hines
County Judge of said County, the above named E.B. Shelton
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 J.S. Garrett
the applicant, and find him laboring under the following disabilities: Unable to earn a support by manual labor.

Gastric catarrh & neuralgia

Witness my hand and seal of office, this 15th day of April, 1912
J.A. Hines J.B.C.

(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

Ballard County } Personally appeared before me J.A. Hines
County Judge of said County, the above named J.S. Watson & W.B. Middleton
and 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 statements made in this application are correct and true, to the best of their knowledge and belief, and that they have no interest in this claim, and that said applicant's habits are good and free from dishonor. And J.S. Watson & W.B. Middleton 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.

Witness J.S. Watson states he served in company with applicant & knows the statements made by him to be true.
Witness W.B. Middleton states he served with applicant & knows the statements of applicant are true.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this 15th day of April, 1912
J.A. Hines J.B.C.

Filed April 15, 1912
J. P. Neely, C. B. C. C.

No. 3748

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Soldier's Application for Pension

J. P. Neely

Co. ... Rgt.

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Read Specifications on Back.

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.

SPECIFICATIONS

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Allowed Oct 15 1917

W. J. Stone Commissioner

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

Indorsement.

PENSION EXAMINER'S OFFICE,
FRANKFORT, KY.

J. S. GARRETT

Who enlisted in March, 1864 in Company B, 3rd Kentucky Infantry, and who got out of the army about March 1, 1865, by taking the oath of allegiance to the U. S. Government. Proven by his comrades.

Under the law approved Mch. 12, 1912, he could not have been allowed a pension, but proof filed December 20th, 1916, shows at the time of taking the oath he was in a condition of extreme duress and therefore brings him within the provisions of the law approved Mch. 18, 1914.

Indigent.

Approved:

W J Stone

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
JUN 17 1925
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WAR DEPARTMENT

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT,

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, June 18, 1912.

Respectfully returned to the

Examiner, Confederate Pension
Department,
Frankfort, Kentucky.

The records show that J. S. Garrett, private, Company F, 3d Kentucky Infantry, subsequently 3d Kentucky Mounted Infantry, Confederate States Army, enlisted March 27, 1864; that he was transferred May 26, 1864, to Company B, 3d Regiment Kentucky Cavalry, Confederate States Army, and that on the roll of the latter company dated June 29, 1864, last roll on file, he was reported present. No later record of him has been found.

Henry P. McLean
Adjutant General.

I, T. J. Neely, County Court Clerk of Ballard County, Kentucky, certify that J. A. Hines, who swore the applicant J.S. Garrett and the witnesses to the accompanying affidavits to said application of said J.S. Garrett, is the regularly elected, qualified and acting County Judge of Ballard County, Kentucky & has been since Jan'y 1910

Witness my hands and seal of office. May 20th. 1912

T. J. Neely
County Court Clerk Ballard County, Kentucky?

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HEADQUARTERS

Confederate Pension Department

W. J. STONE, EXAMINER

FRANKFORT, KY,

June 14th, 1912

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

Dear Sir:

J. S. Garrett,

who is an applicant for Pension under the Kentucky Pension law, claims to have been a member of Company "B" - 3rd Kentucky Regiment Infantry C. S. A., and to have been

Was furloughed from hospital where had been sick with measles 8 weeks and while at home on furlough the war closed.

Arrested at Cairo, Ill. while at home on furlough and took the oath of allegiance.

Please give me the record of this soldier.

Respectfully,

W. J. Stone
Examiner.

BALLARD COUNTY COURT. REGULAR TERM MAY 20th, 1912.

Judge J.A.Hines presiding.

J.S.Garrett Applicant for State Confederate Pension.

Witness J.R.Harkless being duly sworn says that he has known the said J.S.Garrett, 30 years and he is now a resident of Ballard County Ky. and has been ever since he knew him, He nor his wife has any property at all He works some at the Carpenter trade but is not able to work much of the Time, He might make \$100. per year but more has no income other than his work.

Witness Dr E.B.Shelton being duly sworn says the same think as J.R.Harkless did in his Testimony.

Ballard County Court, Regular Term May 20th. 1912.

I, J. A. Hines, County Judge of Ballard County, Kentucky, certify that the application of J. S. Garrett, having been filed prior to the April term of this Court, and now coming on for trial, and the applicant introduced the following witnesses who testified as follows:-

J.R. Harkless, says after being sworn, that he has known the applicant J.S. Garrett, about 30 years, and that the applicant is now a resident of Ballard County, Kentucky and has been continuously residing here ever since he first knew him, That applicant has no property of any kind, and ~~is unable to work except a small part of the time at the carpenter trade~~ and does not make exceeding \$100.00 per year. That applicants wife has no property of any kind.

E.B. Shelton, being sworn testifies the same as J.R. Harkless.

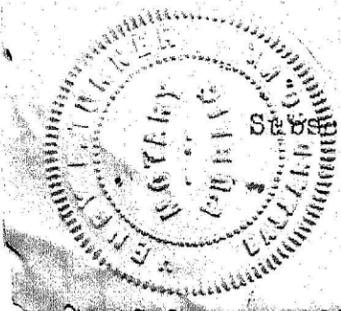
J.R. Harkless & E.B. Shelton P.O. is witness 1/4.
I further certify that the witnesses testifying and those making

affidavits herein are all personally known to me and are worthy of belief and stand well in the community where they reside. After considering the application, affidavits, and proof I recommend the application of J.S. Garrett, as a just and meritorious claim.

J. A. Hines
County Judge Ballard County, Ky.

Affiant, J. S. Garrett, now makes this affidavit in addition to the information contained in his original application for a pension, and states that while serving as a soldier in the Confederate Army near Tupelo, Mississippi, he was taken sick with the measles and sent to the confederate hospital at a place, as affiant now remembers, as Loddell Springs, Miss., and was only there a few days when he, with the other sick were moved to Marion Alabama, where he stayed about eight weeks. Affiant further states that he was then sent back into Tennessee to the front, but being still sick and weak and unable to do duty as a soldier, the officer in command granted him a furlough and sent him home, and that this affiant in company with Dud Robertson and Ed Seay started home, and by the assistance of his comrades he finally reached his home at Blandville, Kentucky. And being in the weakened sick condition he was in he was again forced to go to bed, and while sick and in bed the Union soldiers came to Blandville and captured him and took him to Cairo, Illinois. And affiant further states that he verily believes that it was necessary for him to take the oath of allegiance to prevent him from dying at that time as he was in no physical condition to be placed in the Union prison where the union soldiers were taking him, and would have put him if he had not taken the oath of allegiance.

And affiant further states that but for the fact that he was sick and in such physical condition and believing that it meant his certain death if he were placed in prison, that he would not have taken the oath of allegiance.



J. S. Garrett

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28 day of June 1915.

Henry J. Turner

Notary Public, Ballard County, Ky.
My commission expires January 28, 1918.

July 12th, 1915.

R. O. Willingham,

Bardwell, Kentucky.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of yours of the 11th enclosing an affidavit to be filed with the application of J. S. Garrett.

The war records show that he enlisted March 27, 1864, in Company F, 3rd Kentucky Infantry, and there is record proof of service to June 29, 1864. He states in his application that he went home on a furlough and took the oath of allegiance to the U. S. Government about the 1st of March, 1865, and two witnesses testify that that is true, and that this affidavit of D. D. Robertson does not bring him within the law.

When he was given a furlough he was not released from the army, but was only absent by permission, and up to the time he took the oath of allegiance to the U.S. Government he belonged to the Confederate army, and when he took the oath of allegiance to the U.S. Government he abandoned the Confederate service and swore allegiance to the other Government, which of course would render it impossible for him to be pensioned under the law.

Very truly,

Commissioner.

WJS-C

Affiant, D. D. Robertson, states that he is personally and well acquainted with J. S. Garrett; that this affiant and J. S. Garrett were members of Co. B. 3rd Ky. Regt. and that Garrett served in the Confederate Army for more than twelve months; that he was an honorable soldier and at the time he was discharged or out off from his command he was sick with measles and that this affiant assisted the said Garrett on his way home by carrying him on his back at intervals.

D. D. Robertson

Subscribed and sworn to before me by D. D. Robertson this
14 day of July, 1915.

R. O. Widdings
Clerk Carter County Court

Wickliffe Ky., Dec. 8, 1916

W. J. Stone
Commissioner of Pensions
Frankfort, Ky.

In the matter of the application of J. S. Garrett, filed in your office in May 1912; - He has been talking to me about his case, and employed me as his attorney.

The proof in his case seems sufficient to have granted him a pension, but for the fact he was barred by the "Act" as originally passed, because his testimony shows he "took the oath of allegiance" "about one month before the war closed - was arrested" "by soldier from Cairo Ill. while at home on furlough."

Said "Act" was amended in March 1915, granting the Pension anyhow, provided, the Oath was taken while sick to keep out of prison, or under fear of great bodily harm, or to save his life etc, and was taken within 6 months of the close of the war.

As the proof originally filed show all these facts affirmatively, ought he not to be granted a pension ~~from the~~ dating from the time said Act took effect in March 1915. The Application shows that he had no attorney; but if he had had, the attorney, if negligent, should bear the loss rather than the poor,

a later date however than the duplicate application, to wit, June 28, 1915, while the date the application was filed is: "April 15, 1912." On my re-examination of the proof, finding both the Original and Duplicate "affidavit," I conclude the Original was intended to be sent to you as part of the proof - as additional proof in the case, but by mistake or oversight, was left with the Duplicate in the County Clerk's Office, and hence I am sending it to you now as additional testimony in the case, for the Original Affidavit was evidently intended for and belongs to your office; and I think, under the circumstances, you might file it "nunc pro tunc".

Your conclusion, without being cognizant of the enclosed affidavit, that he was not entitled to a pension, is uncontrovertible; however, the last 10 lines of the affidavit I still think brings him within the amendment.

Begging your forgiveness for my lack of care in my 1st examination of the proof, I am
as ever Your Comrade, and attorney
for J. S. Garrett

Geo. B. Wilds

December 11, 1916.

Judge George B. Wilds.

Wickliffe, Kentucky.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of yours of the 3th inst. relative to the application of J. S. Garrett, and have carefully re-examined his application, and all the proof filed with it, and find that it does not bring him within the provisions of the pension law.

It is nowhere provided in the law that taking the oath of allegiance to the U. S. Government to keep from going to prison gives a man a right to be put on the roll.

Very truly,

Commissioner.

WJS-C

Wickliffe Ky., Dec. 13, 1916.

W. J. Stone
Commissioner of Pensions
Frankfort, Ky.

Dear Sir:- In my letter of the 8th relative to the application of J. S. Barrett for Pension, I expressed the opinion that the proof already on file entitled him to pension, under the 1915 amendment of the pension law. In your reply of the 11th, you say that after a careful re-examination of all said proof he is not entitled to a pension, for:- "It is" "nowhere provided in the law that taking the" "oath of allegiance to the U.S. Government to" "keep from going to prison gives a man a right" "to be put on the roll."

I wondered much how we could have come to conclusions so radically different from the same testimony. As the law requires "copies" of the application and proof sent to you to be kept on file in the office of the County Clerk, out of sheer curiosity, I have re-examined said copies more carefully, and find the enclosed affidavit, and its duplicate also enclosed in the duplicate application at the County Clerk's office, bearing

sick and starving Confederate soldier.

Summary of the testimony.

Service in Army - proved by 2 comrades

Present disability - by Physician's certificate and neighbors

Indigency - by neighbors and certificate of County Judge.

How he got out of the Army - by taking the Oath of

allegiance about one month before the war closed

while at home sick on furlough to keep from going

to prison, after arrest by soldier from Cairo, Ill.

And the testimony of Applicant is fortified by

that of his 2 comrades, I. S. Watson & W. B. Middleton,

who both swear they not only served in the same

Company with J. S. Garrett, but know the statements

made by him in his application are "True".

Inasmuch as the Applicant is just beginning

to convalesce from a long spell of sickness, and

has no home, property or money with which to buy

any much needed sustenance, if there is such a

thing known in your Department as "Advancing

Emergency Cases", you will please file this letter

as an application for such Advancement; and

any friendly suggestions in the premises

would very highly appreciated by

Geo. B. Wilds, atty.
for J. S. Garrett.

December 14, 1916.

Judge George B. Wilds,
Wickliffe, Kentucky.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of yours of the 13th inst. enclosing an affidavit to be filed with the application of J. S. Garrett.

This affidavit does not show the facts necessary to be shown in this case. There is not a date given in it, and as written it might apply to the 1st or any other year of the war or any period during any year of the war, and in this form would not justify the allowance of the pension in my opinion.

Very truly,

Commissioner.

WJS-C

Affiant, J. S. Garrett, makesthis affidavit in addition to the information contained in his original application for pension and

that contained in his affidavit of June 28, 1915 and now says:

That he served as a soldier in the Confederate Army from the time of his enlistment in March 1864 until the time of his capture in Blandville, Kentucky in the winter of 1865; that

affiant was discharged from the hospital at Marion, Alabama in

November, 1864 after the destruction by fire by General Forrest of the

Yankee Gun-boat, steamboat and supplies at Johnsonville, Tennessee;

that shortly thereafter he rejoined his command near Corinth, Mississippi

and found himself afoot, his horse having been disposed of while affiant

was absent; that after his command started on the Nashville campaign

affiant and all the other dismounted men were left under command of

a lieutenant with instructions to go further north, get remounts and

rejoin their commands; that acting under these orders we went to

Concord, Tennessee where affiant's health having gotten

worse, the lieutenant in command ordered him to go home and get well

and then get him a horse and return to his command, and that affiant

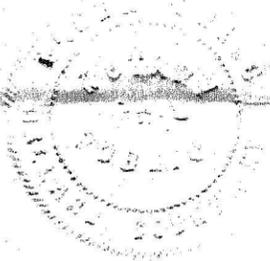
thereafter did as set forth in his affidavit of June 28, 1915, hereby

made a part of this affidavit.

His
J. S. Garrett
Mark

by making his mark
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of December, 1916. by
J. S. Garrett.
My commission expires Mar. 8, 1920

Walter Owens
Notary Public B. C. Ky.



Wickliffe Ky., Dec. 18, 1906

W. J. Stone
Comm. of Pensions
Frankfort, Ky.:-

Dear Sir:- In reply to yours of Dec. 14th, in which you say the affidavit of J. S. Garrett of June 28, 1915 would not justify the allowance of a pension, because, not a date is given in it. - To supply the necessary dates I herewith enclose another affidavit, which seems to cure the defects of the other affidavit; for it shows that he rejoined his command near Corinth Miss, ^{from the hospital} in Nov. 1864, after the Johnsonville, Tenn. affair; that afterward, he and all the other horseless soldiers, under the command of a Lieutenant, were ordered North to get remounts as soon as possible, and then to rejoin their commands; of their trip to Concord Tenn.; of his sickness, and orders to go home, get well and a remount and return to his command; of his sickness at home and capture and the Oath about midwinter 1865, as related in the affidavit of June 28, 1915, and made part hereof, etc. (To cheer up this needy old soldier from dying from chagrin I had hoped to whisper in his ear Christmas day assurance that his pension would be granted dating from June 28, 1915) Geo. B. Wilds

Wickliffe Ky., Sept. 10, 1917.

W. J. Stone, Pension Com.
Frankfort, Ky.

Dear Sir:- In Re, W. S. Garrett for Pension.

In your letter of Dec. 14, 1916 ("W. J. S.-C"), you said:-
"I am in receipt of yours of 13th enclosing an affidavit"
"of J. S. Garrett, etc.... This affidavit (dated June 28, 1915)"
"Does not show the facts necessary..... There is not"
"a date given in it, and as written it might apply to"
"any period during any year of the war; and in"
"this form would not justify the allowance of pension."

To cover the defect pointed out by you, I sent you another affidavit of applicant; but having never heard from you since, it occurs to me that possibly that last affidavit miscarried - if so, I retained a copy which I can furnish you on request. This affidavit specifies all the dates, and seems to cure your objections.

I am urging this matter now because the applicant is in the last stages of consumption, confined to his bed, without any food or fuel, and will have to go to the poorhouse (which is shameful for one of our worthy comrades). He is a good citizen and member of the church, and having married since 1890, his wife will not be entitled to a pension after his death.

Geo. B. Wilds
attorney for J. S. Garrett

September 22, 1917.

Judge George B. Wilds,
Wickliffe, Ky.

Dear Sir:-

I received yours of the 10th promptly but have only just had an opportunity to re-examine the application, and proof filed with it, of J. S. Garrett.

And have decided that his affidavit of December 16th, 1916, which reached this office on December 20th, 1916, and in which he makes the last clause of his affidavit of June 28, 1916, a part of his affidavit made 16th day of December, 1916, taken in connection with the affidavits of T. S. Watson and W. B. Middleton and D. D. Robertson, will bring him within the provisions of the pension law approved March 18, 1914, as it appears from this evidence that he was under a strict and severe duress as provided in the law, and that a pension will be allowed him to begin on the 20th day of December, 1916, as that is the day on which the proof reached this office that I have decided brings him within the provisions of the law.

You will understand that the time that this pension shall begin is according to a rule made by this office immediately after the passage of the Act of 1914 to avoid the necessity of the applicant having to file a new application.

Very truly,

Commissioner.

WJS-C

Commonwealth of Kentucky
STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS
CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

1 PLACE OF DEATH

County *Ballard*

Vot. Prec. *East Wickliffe*

Inc. Town *Wickliffe*

City *Wickliffe* (No. *11902* St. *Ward*)

Registration District No. *30*

Primary Registration District No. *2015*

File No.

Registered No.

[If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number.]

2 FULL NAME *Joe Sefhus Garrett*

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

3 SEX *Male* 4 COLOR OR RACE *White* 5 SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED *married*
(Write the word)

16 DATE OF DEATH *Feb 8, 1918*
(Month) (Day) (Year)

6 DATE OF BIRTH *Aug 17, 1875*
(Month) (Day) (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from *Sept 12, 1916*, to *Feb 8, 1918*, that I last saw him alive on *Jan 2, 1918*, and that death occurred on the date stated above at *10* m. The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:

7 AGE *72* yrs. *4* mos. *21* ds. IF LESS than 1 day... hrs. or... min.?

Pulmonary Tuberculosis

8 OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work *Carpenter* (b) General nature of industry business or establishment in which employed (or employer)

(Duration) *1* yrs. *5* mos. ds.

9 BIRTHPLACE (State or country) *Tenn*

Contributory *Indigestion*

10 NAME OF FATHER *Smith Garrett*

(Signed) *E. B. Shelton*, M. D. *Feb. 9, 1918*. (Address) *Wickliffe, Ky*

11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or country) *Don't know*

12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER *Don't know*

13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or country) *Don't know*

*State the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH, or, in deaths from VIOLENT CAUSES state (1) MEANS OF INJURY; and (2) whether ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDAL or HOMICIDAL

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

18 LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (FOR HOSPITALS, INSTITUTIONS, TRANSIENTS OR RECENT RESIDENTS) At place of death... yrs... mos... ds. In the State... yrs... mos... ds. Where was disease contracted, if not at place of death? Former or usual residence

(Informant) *J. S. Garrett*

(Address) *Wickliffe, Ky*

19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL *Wickliffe Cemetery* DATE OF BURIAL *Feb. 9, 1918*

15 Filed *Feb. 9, 1918* *Flora Pasco* REGISTRAR

20 UNDERTAKER *W. H. Faulkner* ADDRESS *Wickliffe, Ky*

WRITE PLAINLY, WITH UNFADING INK--THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD
N. B.—Every item of information should be carefully supplied. AGE should be stated EXACTLY. PHYSICIANS should state CAUSE OF DEATH in plain terms, so that it may be properly classified. Exact statement of OCCUPATION is very important. See instructions on back of certificate.

February 21st, 1918.

Geo. B. Wilds,
Wickliffe, Ky.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of yours of the 19th inst.

The check made payable to J. S. Garrett which you returned to this office paid his pension to the 1st day of February, 1918, and I am returning it to you to be turned over to his administrator to be used as any other property belonging to his estate would be used, and can be endorsed by the administrator and the money collected on it.

I had been informed that J. S. Garrett had died on the 6th day of February, and I see that you state in your letter that he died on the 8th day of February. That would leave due him, if he died on the 8th, \$2.67, being amount of accrued pension from the 1st day of February to the 8th inclusive, and I am enclosing you information as to how that may be collected.

However, to be sure of the date of his death, you had better send me a copy of the return of the Registrar of vital statistics.

Very truly,

Commissioner.

WJS:0

Wickliffe Ky.
Apr. 4, 1918

W. L. Stone
Frankfort Ky.

Dear Sir: As per your request
I herewith enclose the return of
the Register of vital statistics
showing the death of J. S. Garrett
to have been on Feby. 8, 1918.

As I have already sent you a
copy of the qualification of his
widow Mrs. N. E. Garrett, as his
administrator, I presume it
will not be necessary to send
another. Wishing you health,
happiness, prosperity and
contentment for many years to
come, I am as ever
yours to command

Geo. B. Wilds