

(ORIGINAL)

# Questions for Applicant

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

CALLOWAY. County.

SARAH S BLAKELY

of said State and County, desiring to avail herself of the pension allowed to Indigent Widows of Soldiers, General Assembly, approved March 18, 1914, 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.)

SARAH S BLAKELY CALLOWAY COUNTY, STATE OF KENTUCKY, FARMINGTON, R.# 3.

2. How long and since when have you been a resident of this State? 63 years ( All of Life)

3. When and where were you born and what was your maiden name? 24th June, 1864. Sarah S Brown  
Calloway County.

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. (A copy of the marriage license or affidavits of two or more persons who know when the applicant was married to her husband, must accompany the application)

5. When and where and in what Company and Regiment did your husband enlist or serve during the war between the States?  
See War Record on File.

6. How long did your husband serve in said Company and Regiment? See Record.

7. When and where did your husband's Company and Regiment surrender? See Record.

8. Was your husband present at the time and place when his Company and Regiment surrendered? See Record.

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? Calloway County Near LynnGrove. Ky., March. 27th. 1927

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?  
Owns 14 acres of land, no other property. Worth about \$ 200. and No Income  
not enough to pay taxes on Real Estate.

14. Have you a family? If so, who compose such family? None.

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  
E.P. Phillips. L.A.L. Langston. R.M. Phillips.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this, the 18

April day of April, 1927

Mary Neale clk

of Calloway. County.

Sarah S Blakely

# Questions for Witnesses

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Calloway. County.

H.S. Rogers. and Mrs. L.V. Kelly.

of said State and County, having been presented as a witness in support of the application of Mrs. Sarah S Blakely for a pension under Confederate Pension Law, approved March 18, 1914, 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? H.S. Rogers.  
LynnGrove, Calloway. County. Ky.,
2. Are you acquainted with the applicant, Mrs. Sarah S Blakely Yes.  
If so, how long have you known her? All her life
3. Where does she reside, and how long and since when has she been a resident of this State? Resided here in Calloway County all her life Near LynnGrove. Ky.,
4. Were you ever acquainted with her husband? Yes.
5. Were either or both of you present at the marriage? Yes. Both were present at the Marriage.
6. How long did you know him? all his life
7. When and where did Retherford M Blakely enlist in the war between the States, and in what Company and Regiment did he enlist, and how do you know this? Company, H. Regiment 3rd. Kentucky Infantry.
8. Were you a member of the same Company and Regiment at the close of the war? No.
9. How long did he perform regular military duty? See record on file
10. When and where was his Company and Regiment surrendered? see War Record.
11. Were you with the command when it surrendered? See record.
12. Was \_\_\_\_\_, the husband of applicant, present?
13. If not present, where was he?
14. When and where did he leave his command?  
For what causes?  
By whose authority did he leave?  
How do you know all this? (State fully and clearly.)
15. When and where did Retherford M. Blakely die? Mar. 27. 1927
16. Where did he reside at his death, and how long had he been a resident of Kentucky at his death? Calloway County. Kentucky, Near LynnGrove. All of his life.
17. Do you know of your own knowledge that applicant is the lawful widow of Retherford M. Blakely Yes

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

19. What property, effects or income has the applicant, if any, and how do you know this of your own knowledge?  
Only owns 14 acres of land worth about \$ 200. and no income not enough to pay taxes on Real Estate.

20. Has applicant conveyed any property, in the last two years or given any money, if so, what was it, and to whom?  
Conveyed no property and had no money to dispose of.

NOTE.—Let the witness who can answer the greatest number of 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 18  
day of April 1927  
Mary Neal Clerk  
By C. J. Williams  
H. S. Rogers  
L. E. Kelly Witnesses.

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

I, T. R. Jones Judge of Calloway County, Kentucky,  
hereby certify that the property assessed on the tax books of this County to Mrs. Sarah S Blakely  
the widow of Hetherford M. Blakely amounts to \$ 450.00 real estate and  
\$ None personal  
T. R. Jones Judge  
For Calloway County, Ky.

### Certificate of Clerk of Court or Notary Public

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Calloway County.  
I, Mary Neal Clerk or Notary Public, in and for said county, hereby  
certify that the applicant, Mrs. Sarah S Blakely resides in said county, and has been  
a bona fide resident of this State since the 24 day of June 1864, and that the wit-  
nesses, Mr. H. S. Rogers and L. E. Kelly  
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 witnesses 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 18 day of April 1927  
(SEAL) Mary Neal  
Calloway 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. 4460

**Widow's  
Indigent Pension**

Name *Mr Sarah Blakely*

Filed

Widow of *R. M. Blakely*

*Allowed June 17*

*1927*

*J. A. Granger*

*Carr*

*waiting for proof  
of marriage. Return*

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

*Rec'd in this office May 28, 1927  
waiting proof of marriage*

CONFEDERATE PENSION DEPARTMENT

FRANKFORT, KENTUCKY

Sarah Blakely, widow of R. M.  
Blakely, who enlisted in Com-  
pany, "B" 3rd Ky. Inf., in  
1863- and served until the close  
of the war.

Proven by the records.

Indigent,

*L. G. George*

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY,  
SCT.....  
COUNTY OF CALLOWAY.

PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME H.S. ROGERS. AND L.V. KELLY  
TWO witnesses in support of the application for Pension of Mrs. Sarah  
S Blakely wife of the late Retherford M. Blakley

They State that they both are acquainted with the said Sarah S.  
Blakley and her husband Retherford M Blakley and know that they lived  
together as Man and wife prior to the first day of January. 1890 and were  
living together at the time of his death. And that they were married on  
March, 20th. 1884, by Rev. J.C. Spann Officiating Minister of Gospel.

Given under our hand this 18th day of April 1927.

✓ *L. V. Kelly*  
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*H. S. Rogers*  
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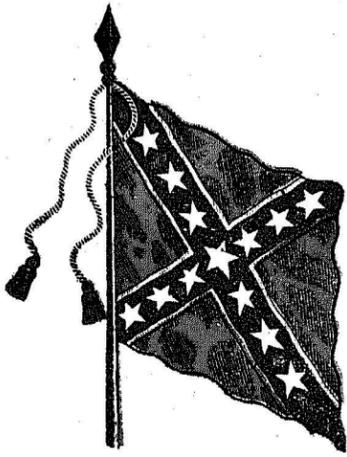
Subscribed and sworn to before me  
by H.S. Rogers and Mrs. L.V. Kelly  
to be their act and deed. This 18th  
day of April 1927.

*Mary Neal*-----Clerk.

By *C. J. Williams* D.C.

*The above affidavit. Received in this office*  
*April 17, 1927.*

*J. D. George*  
Clerk



OFFICE OF  
COMMISSIONER OF  
CONFEDERATE PENSIONS

J. T. GEORGE, COMMISSIONER  
FRANKFORT, KENTUCKY

June, 8, 1927-

Mrs. Sarah Blakeley.  
Farmington, Ky.

My dear Madam:

Your application for Confederate pension as the widow of Retherford M. Blakely has been received. and, I notice that you did not give the date of your marriage to your veteran husband, and under the pension law, you must show when and where your husband was born. Give his full name, and when and where you and him married, and who performed the marriage ceremony. A copy of the marriage license or affidavits of two or more persons who know when the applicant was married to her veteran husband must be filed in this office, before your name can be placed on the pension rolls,

Very respectfully,

*J. T. George*  
Comm.

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Very respectfully,

*L. D. Geary*  
Comr.

June, 17. 1927-

Mrs. Sarah Blakely,  
Farmington, Ky.

My dear Madam:

Your pension has been allowed of this date,  
and you will receive your first voucher and pension cer-  
tificate will be mailed about July 15th-as your proof  
sufficient to allow your pension has been received in  
this office of this date,

Very respectfully,

*R. T. George*  
Carr.