

(ORIGINAL)

# Questions for Applicant

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

McCracken County.

Mrs Georgia Jones Ragsdale (Mrs J Mc Ragsdale) 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) Georgia Ann Jones Ragsdale Ky McCracken County Paducah Rt #1
2. How long and since when have you been a resident of this State? Native of Ky
3. When and where were you born and what was your maiden name? Born March 14 - 1848  
Tregg County Ky. Georgia Ann Jones
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) Born in Virginia Aug 1839. James McFadden Ragsdale  
Married at her mothers home in McCracken County Ky Rev Jno. S. Kirkpatrick
5. When and where and in what Company and Regiment did your husband enlist or serve during the war between the States? Company A 3rd Ky Mounted Infantry Camp Boone July 5 - 1861
6. How long did your husband serve in said Company and Regiment?
7. When and where did your husband's Company and Regiment surrender? With Gen N. B. Forrest at close of war.
8. Was your husband present at the time and place when his Company and Regiment surrendered?
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? Huntsville, Ala, Left Sick (See War Dept Record)
10. When and where did your husband die? Masonic Home Shelbyville Ky March 11 - 1928
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

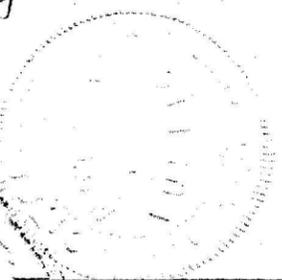
14. Have you a family? If so, who compose such family? Five daughters and one son all have large families to provide for

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 J. J. Sanderson Paducah Ky RFD #1

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this, the 12th day of November, 1929  
B. J. Allcock, Notary Public  
of McCracken County.

Mrs J Mc Ragsdale

My commission expires March 29 1930



# Questions for Witnesses

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

.....County.

....., of said State and County, having  
been presented as a witness in support of the application of Mrs.....  
for a pension under Confederate Pension Law, approved March 18, 1914, after being duly sworn, true answers to make to the follow-  
ing questions, deposes and answers as follows:

1. What is your name and what is your postoffice address?.....

2. Are you acquainted with the applicant, Mrs.....

If so, how long have you known her? .....

3. Where does she reside, and how long and since when has she been a resident of this State? .....

4. Were you ever acquainted with her husband?.....

5. Were either or both of you present at the marriage?.....

6. How long did you know him?.....

7. When and where did .....enlist in the war between the  
States, and in what Company and Regiment did he enlist, and how do you know this? .....

8. Were you a member of the same Company and Regiment at the close of the war? .....

9. How long did he perform regular military duty?.....

10. When and where was his Company and Regiment surrendered? .....

11. Were you with the command when it surrendered?.....

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 cause? .....

By whose authority did he leave?.....

How do you know all this? (State fully and clearly.).....

15. When and where did ..... die? .....

16. Where did he reside at his death, and how long had he been a resident of Kentucky at his death? .....

17. Do you know of your own knowledge that applicant is the lawful widow of .....

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

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

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

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 ..... day of ..... 192.....  
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.....  
Witnesses.

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

I, W A Middlets Judge of McCracken County, Kentucky, hereby certify that the property assessed on the tax books of this County to Mrs. Georgia Ann Ragdale the widow of J M Ragdale amounts to \$ nothing real estate and \$ nothing personal. W A Middlets Judge McCracken County, Ky.

Certificate of Clerk of Court or Notary Public

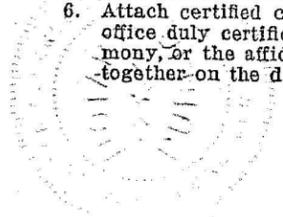
STATE OF KENTUCKY,

McCracken County.  
I, Shillard F. Langford Clerk or Notary Public, in and for said county, hereby certify that the applicant, Mrs. Georgia Ann Ragdale resides in said county, and has been a bona fide resident of this State since the 14<sup>th</sup> day of March 1848, and that the witnesses, ~~Mr.~~

~~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 26<sup>th</sup> day of November 1929  
(SEAL) Shillard F. Langford Notary Public McCracken 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 at 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. 4591

**Widow's  
Indigent Pension**

Name Mrs. Georgina J. Rapada

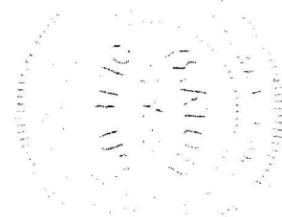
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Widow of James M. Rapada

Allowed,  
Nov. 29, 1929

John M. Lucas  
Comm.

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



CONFEDERATE PENSION DEPARTMENT

FRANKFORT, KENTUCKY

Georgia J. Ragsdale,, widow  
of James M. Ragsdale who enlist  
ed in Company, A, 3rd Ky. mtd.  
infantry, in 1861, paroled on  
account of illness.

Proven by records.

Indigent.

*John M. Lewis*  
Comm.

MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of November <sup>1866</sup> the Rites of Marriage were legally solemnized by me between J.M. Ragsdale and Georgia A. Jones at Mrs Jones in the County of McCracken in presence of .....

Signed Rev J.D. Kirkpatrick

State of Kentucky )

Sct.

County of McCracken )

I, John W. Polk, Clerk of the County Court for the County and State aforesaid, do certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of same, as it appears on record in my office in White Marriage Bond Book 7, page 88.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 13th day of November, 1929.

*John W. Polk* Clerk  
McCracken County Court.

By *Sarah Miller* D.C.

WAR DEPARTMENT

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

WASHINGTON November 15, 1929.

IN REPLY  
REFER TO O.R.D.

Respectfully returned to

Mrs. Roy W. McKinney,  
1505 Broadway,  
Paducah, Ky.

The records show that J. M. Ragsdale, Co. A, 3rd. Kentucky Mtd. Inf., U.S.A., enlisted July 5, 1861, at Camp Boone, Tenn. Muster roll Sept. 30, 1862 to Jan. 1, 1863, shows him absent. Left sick at Huntsville, Ala., a Private.

His name is not borne on the subsequent muster rolls of the Co., which cover in part the period from March 1, 1863 to June 30, 1864. Capture, parole or later record not found. Not found as James M. Ragsdale.

*C. H. Bridges,*  
Major General,  
The Adjutant General.  
By *TC.*