(ORIGINAL)

Soldier's Application for Pension

I, John Stephens

am a citizen of Kentucky, resident at Newfoundland in the County of Elliott

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 John T. Ratliffs & Jason Fields's Company Which was the 5th & 10th Kentucky Mounted 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 Morgan County Kentucky in 1840.

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

Answer 1861, Colonel John S. Williams Captains John T. Ratliff & Jason Fields

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

Answer at Louisa Ky. in april or May 1865 after Lee surrendered

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 at Louisa Ky. in april or May 1865 after Lee surrendered

If so, when and under what circumstances?

Answer In April or May 1865 I did not know anything else to do as Lee had surrendered.

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

Answer I am a farmer and unable to work but little

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

Answer The value of my real estate & persaral property is Two Thousand One Hundred Dollars.

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

Answer I havr no wife

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 Nothing.

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 for 73 years. Since 1840.

Have you an attorney to look after this application?

Answer No.

If so, give his name and address?

Answer .....

Witness my hand this 6th *day of* October 1913.

John Stephens

WITNESSES:

S. G. Hunter, *Physician*

Postoffice Address Sandy Hook Ky.

....., *Witness*

Postoffice Address .....

....., *Witness*

Postoffice Address .....

P. O. New Lancaster Ky.

Street and No. (if any) .....

R. F. D. (if any) .....

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Elliott *County* } I, J. M. Fannin *Judge of said County,*

certify that John Stephens he ~~and his wife~~ has no wife is ~~are~~ *assessed with* 220 *acres, valued at* $1200., *and with* $ 745. *of personal property.*

Witness my hand this 22nd *day of* December, 1913.

J. M. Fannin *Judge County Court.*

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

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Elliott County } Personally appeared before me County Court Clerk of said County, the above named John Stephens, 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 6th day of December, 1913

J. H. Vansant, Clerk Elliott Co. Court

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Elliott County } Personally appeared before me S. G. Hunter, M.D., of said County, the above named ..... 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 John Stephens the applicant, and find him laboring under the following disabilities: Unable to earn a support by manual labor. Nervous disability and is nearly 74 years of age.

S. G. Hunter M.D.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this ..... day of ....., 191...

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(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

Elliott County } Personally appeared before me County Judge of said County, the above named Turner Hampton and Ed. Green, 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 ..... further make oath to the following facts touching the applicant's service in the ..... army.

State here what witnesses know of their own knowledge.

They state that they are close neighbors to John Stephens the applicant and that he is not able to perform manual labor and that he is a citizen of Elliott County for over two years and that he owns the lands and personal property above named and has no other income and I hereby recommend the allowance of this claim and the applicant is well worthy. I ~~and~~ know Mr. Hampton and Mr. Green and they are worthy to be believed on oath.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this 22nd day of December, 1913

J. M. Fannin Judge

Elliott County Court

Attest

J. H. Vansant Clerk

Elliott County Court

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.

No. 82826

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Soldier's Application for Pension

John Stephens

Co. ..... Rgt.

Filed JAN 6 - 1914

Allowed .....

Read Specifications on Back.

SPECIFICATIONS
1. .....
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5. .....

Allowed

W. J. Stone Commissioner.

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT,

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, January 9, 1914.

Respectfully returned to the

Examiner,
Confederate Pension Department,
Frankfort, Kentucky.

The name John Stephens has not been found on the rolls on file in this office of the 13th Kentucky Cavalry, which was also known as the 10th Kentucky Mounted Infantry, C.S.A., and no record has been found of the capture or parole of a man of this name and organization.

The records show that John Stephens corporal, Company K (Captain Ratcliff), 5th Kentucky Mounted Rifles, C.S.A., enlisted January 1, 1862. On the roll of the company dated April 30, 1862 (last on which his name is borne), he was reported "Deserted Apr. 16, 1862." No later record of him has been found in connection with the 5th Kentucky Mounted Rifles.

The records show, however, that John Stephens, private, Captain Field's Company, Kentucky Partisan Rangers, C.S.A., enlisted September 18, 1862. On the roll of the company dated June 30, 1863 (last roll on file), he was reported present. No later record of him has been found.

The Adjutant General.

Form No. 70, A. G. O.
Ed. May 10-13—75,000.

Indorsement.

PENSION EXAMINER'S OFFICE,

FRANKFORT, KY.

JOHN STEPHENS

Enlisted Jan.1,1862,Co.K, 5th Kentucky ~~Inf'y.~~ Mtd.Rifs. and in September, 1862, was transferred to Fields' Partisan Rangers and there is record proof of service to June 30, 1863. Comrades testify to his service till the close of the war.

Property: $2100.00

Approved:

W J Stone.

No. ..... S .....

HEADQUARTERS

Confederate Pension Department

W. J. STONE, EXAMINER

FRANKFORT, KY.

JAN 6 - 1914 ..... 191 ....

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

Dear Sir:

John Stephens

who is an applicant for Pension under the Kentucky Pension law, claims to have been a member of Company 5th and 10th Ky

Regiment Mtd Inf C. S. A., and to have been

John T. Ratliffs and Jasn Field's Company

Please give me the record of this soldier.

Respectfully,

W. J. Stone
Examiner.

State of Kentucky
Elliott County } Set
The affiant Stephen Stephens
of Lucile Elliott Co. Kentucky
says that he was
a Soldier in the Confederate
Army, and that John Stephens
of Newfoundland Elliott Co.
Ky. was a Member of the
Same Company to wit
Company M. 10th Kentucky Mounted Infantry
Said John Stephens and myself
first enlisted in Capt.
John T. Ratcliffs Company,
and served six to eight
Months, and said John
Stephens and me enlisted
in Jason Fillels Company,
and served in said
Fills Company something
over two years said
John Stephens was my
Comrade and messmate.
and he took the oath of
allegiance the latter part of
~~May~~ April or first of May
1865 it was after General
R. E. Lee surrendered.

Attest
J. H. Vansant

Stephen his + mark Stephens

Subscribed and Sworn to
before me by Stephen Stephens.
This October 16th 1913

J.H. Vansandt Clerk,
Elliott County Court

Todd North Carolina

~~Catlettsburg Ky~~. August 13, 1913.

State of North Carolina,

Ash, County.

The affiant Jacob Hauck on oath says that he is now 76 years old. That his Post Office address is Boldwin, Ashe County North Carolina. , that he is the same Jacob Hauch that was Lieutenant of Company A.,26 Regt. North Carolina Inft. in the service of the confederate State of America in the war of 1861-1865, between the United States of America and the Confederate States of America. That he was acquanited with Lewis Stedman who was a private in said Company A. in said 26 Regt. North Carolina Inft. That said Lewis Stedman enlisted in said Company in 1861, and remained in said Company in actual service until about February or March 1865, when he was captured by the Federals, and remained with them as a prisoner of war until the close of the war. After he was captured affiant did not again see him in the service.

That said Stedman was a loyal Soldier and in the actual service for nearly four years. That he knows the above facts from long association with said Stedham in the service, and from reports received by affiant as Lieutenant of said Company. That after the War Officers learned that said Stedham had moved to Boyd County Kentuckey and is now applying to the state of Kentuckey for Pension as a Confederate Soldier, and this ~~affiant~~ deponent is made to prove his record as a Confederate Soldier. I ~~know~~ have no intent directly or indirectly in his claim for Pension. Another Duvall of near Grayson Ky. was Capt. and Lieut. Stedman and I was first Lieut. Said Co. A. at the close of the war.

his
Jacob Hauck
mark

Witness
J. Harbor Co

Todd North Carolina
sept 6th 1913
~~Catlettsburg Ky.~~ August 13, 1913.

State of North Carolina,)
) Sct.
Ash County.)

The affiant John Hauck on oath states that he is a citizen and resident of Ash County North Carolina and his Post Office address is Boldwin Ash County North Carolina. That he is now 68 years of age That he is the same John Hauch that was a member of Company A.26 Regt. North Carolina Inft. in the service of the Confederate States of America in the war of 1861-1865 between the Untied States of America and the Confederate States of America. That he was acquainted with Lewis Stedham who enlisted in said Co.A.26, regt. North Carolina Inft. in 1861 and remained in the actual service of the Confederate states for more than one year and ~~with~~ until the early part of 1865, when he was captured by the Federals ~~now~~ near Richmond Va. and taken to prison and retained until after the war. Said Stedham was a true and loyal soldier, always at his post of duty. I never met with him in the service after he was captured. I know the above facts from long service with him in the army, and as to his capture, from reports at the time current in the Company and Regt.

I have learned that said Stedham has moved to Boyd County Kentuckey, and is now applying for a Pension, as a Confederate soldier. Ambras Duvalle now of Grayson Ky. was captain of Company A. and Jacob Hauch of Boldwin Ash County North Carolina was first Leuitenant at the close of the war.

I have know interest directly or indirectly in said Stedham's claim for Pension. This sept 6th 1913

x Fill blank on to age

Sign here John Houck

State of Kentucky, }
County of Elliott. } Sct.

The affiant W. W. Johnson states that he enlisted in the Confederate Army in September 1862, was sent to Scott County, Virginia, there I first saw applicant, John Stephens and served in the same Company and Regiment with him through the war. The same being Co. "M" 10th Kentucky Mounted Infantry, commanded, first by Capt. H. J. Fields, next by Capt. Wm Elliott, after his death by Capt. Wm Horton, and last by Capt. Wm Ward. John Stephens came to Lawrence County, Kentucky, and surrendered in the latter part of April 1865.

The affiant further states that he knows personally that said John Stephens served in the Confederate Army continuously from the time of his enlistment till his surrender, and that he was a brave and good soldier.

W. W. Johnson

Subscribed and sworn to before me by W. W. Johnson. October 25th 1913.

J. H. Vansant, Clerk.
By Mary E. Vansant. D.C.

State of North Carolina,)
) Sct.
Ashe County.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Jacob Hauck, and I hereby certify that I am acquainted with affiant Jacob Hauck, and that his statement made under oath are entitled to full faith and credit. My Commission as Notary Public of Ashe County North Carolina expires on the 26 day of Feb. 1914. Aug 28th 1913

J. E. Duncan
Notary Public Ashe County N. Carolina.

State of Kentucky(
) Sct.
County of Morgan (

The affiant Stephen Keaton, states that he resides at Elkfork, Morgan Co. Ky. Affiant further states that he was present and saw John Stephens, then a soldier in the Confederate Army and who now resides at Newfoundland, Elliott Co. Ky. take the oath of allegiance to the United States Government at Louisa, Ky.

Affiant further states that this occurred during the latter part of April or the first part of May, 1865, that he does not remember the exact day but that it was after the surrender of General Robert E. Lee at Appomattox Court House, Va.

Given under my hand, this 17 day of April 1914.

Stephen his + mark Keaton &

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Stephen Keaton, this the 17th day of April 1914.

Henry M. Hutchinson Notary Public
my Commission Expires Feb 1st 1916

State of North Carolina,)
) Sct.
Ash County)

Subscribed and sworn to before me by John Hauck and I hereby certify that I am acquainted with affiant John Hauck and that his statement made under oath are entitled to full faith and credit,

My commission as Notary Public of Ash County North Carolina expires on the 22 day of Feb. 1918.

J. E. Duncan

Notary Public Ash County North Carolina.

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⊗ Affix Notarial seal

State of Kentucky(
) Sct.
County of Greenup (
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The affiant Henry Stephens, states that he was present and saw John Stephens, who now resides at Newfoundland, Ky. and who was then a soldier in the Confederate Army, take the oath of allegiance to the United States Government at Louisa, Ky. in the latter part of April or the first part of May, 1865.

The affiant states that he does not know the exact date but that it was after the surrender of General Robert E. Lee, at Appomattox Court House, Va.

Given under my hand, this 23 day of April 1914.

Henry Stephens

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Henry Stephens, this the 23 day of April 1914.

L. E. Nicholls J. G. C. C.

Mew Drop Ky
Oct 15-1923
Confedrate Pension Dept.
Frankfort-Ky.
Mr John Stephens Pensioner
of Newfaundland Ky.
is Dead he died Oct. 6th
and his son. Charlie
Stephens has ask me
to make this Report-
and have him appointed
administrator of what
is due his Father and I
think this is Right-as he
lived with. Charlie Stephens
when he died. Respt-
K. C. Kegley
Notary Public