

Soldier's Application for Pension

I, S. H. Koon
am a citizen of Kentucky, resident at Smithland in the County of Letcher
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 12th Ky. I think, afterwards consolidated with
8th Ky.
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 fam-
ily. 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 Writenden County, State of Kentucky

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

Answer 1864 Last of May or 1st of June, Gen. H. B. Lyon, Capt. Buckner,
Col. Cooper

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

Answer Was captured at Selma, Alabama and paroled at Columbus, Georgia,

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

Answer At Selma, Alabama,

Were you paroled? If so, when and where?

Answer Released about April or May 1865 at Columbus, Georgia,

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

Answer Yes,

If so, when and under what circumstances?

Answer About last of May 1865 at Nashville, Tennessee I was informed I could
not come home unless I took the oath.

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

Answer *Farming. I earn \$150.00 or \$175.00 a year.*

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

Answer *I own 100 acres of hill land worth \$1000.00; 2 old mules worth \$50.00 each; wagon and plow worth \$25.00, as the actual cash value of above.*

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

Answer *1/3 interest for life in 63 acres of hill land worth \$400.00, as its actual cash value.*

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 *\$200.00 from all sources.*

Do you use intoxicants to any extent?

Answer *I take a drink occasionally.*

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

Answer *38 years and since 1874 and all my life except my Army service and 3 years following the war, I was in the army about 14 months and 3 years after the war I was in the West.*

Have you an attorney to look after this application?

Answer *Yes.*

If so, give his name and address?

Answer *C. H. Wilson, Smithland, Kentucky.*

Witness my hand this *70th* day of *April*, 191*2*.

WITNESSES:

F. G. La Rue, Physician
Postoffice Address *Smithland Ky.*

J. H. Wagnick, Witness
Postoffice Address *Smithland Ky.*

Geo. J. Utes, Witness
Postoffice Address *Smithland Ky.*

J. H. ROSS
P. O. *Smithland Ky.*
Street and No. (if any).....
R. F. D. (if any).....

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Linnegan County } I, *W. I. Clarke* Judge of said County,
certify that *S. H. Sloan* and his wife *Mrs. S. H. Sloan* are
assessed with *100* acres, valued at \$ *500*, and with \$..... of personal property.

Witness my hand this *12th* day of *July*, 191*2*.
W. I. Clarke Judge County Court.

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

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Livingston County } Personally appeared before me Maude Ferguson,
Notary Public of said County, the above named S. H. Koon
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 20th day of April, 1912.
Maude Ferguson, N.P. Livingston Co., Ky.

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Livingston County } Personally appeared before me Maude Ferguson,
Notary Public of said County, the above named F. G. La Rue
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 S. H. Koon
the applicant, and find him laboring under the following disabilities: Unable to earn a support by manual labor.

Have been his family Physician for eleven years
and state that applicant S. H. Koon has
Brights disease, Muscular Rheumatism and
Hemorrhoids; and owing to his physical
disabilities, will state that he is unable to
earn support by manual labor.

F. G. La Rue
My commission as Notary Public expires Feb. 19, 1916.
Witness my hand and seal of office, this 20th day of April, 1912.
Maude Ferguson, N.P. Livingston Co., Ky.

(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

Livingston County } Personally appeared before me Maude Ferguson,
Notary Public of said County, the above named J. F. Haynes
and J. A. Dukes, 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

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

State here what witnesses know of their own knowledge.

That the applicant S. H. Koon is unable to earn a support wholly by
manual labor because of the diseases and disabilities set forth above herein
by Dr. F. G. La Rue, which disease and inability of the applicant S. H. Koon
is personally known to each of us; that we have known said applicant
intimately for ten years.

My commission as Notary Public expires Feb. 19, 1916.
Witness my hand and seal of office, this 20th day of April, 1912.
Maude Ferguson,
Notary Public in and for Livingston Co., Ky.

No. 30257

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Soldier's Application for Pension

S. H. Hoar

Co. Rgt.

Filed JUL 15 1912

Allowed

Read Specifications on Back.

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- 1.....
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Allowed Oct 15th 1914

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. July 18, 1912.

Respectfully returned to the

Examiner,
Confederate Pension Department,
Frankfort, Kentucky.

No record has been found of the service, capture or parole of a man named S. H. Koon as a member of the 12th Kentucky Cavalry, Confederate States Army, which was latterly known as the 8th and 12th Kentucky Cavalry.

Henry J. O'Leary

Adjutant General.

Indorsement.

PENSION EXAMINER'S OFFICE,

FRANKFORT, KY.

S. H. KOON

Enlisted about June 1, 1864 in Co. C, 8th and 12 (Consolidated) Kentucky Mounted Inf'y. and was surrendered at Selma, Ala. and paroled at Columbus, Ga. about May 1, 1865, and later released at Nashville, Tenn. upon taking the oath of allegiance. Proven by his comrades.

Property: \$1,000.00.

Approved:

W J Stone.

No. S

HEADQUARTERS

Confederate Pension Department

W. J. STONE, EXAMINER

FRANKFORT, KY.

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

Dear Sir:

S. A. Kow

who is an applicant for Pension under the Kentucky Pension law, claims
to have been a member of Company *12th Ky. afterwards*
Regiment C. S. A., and to have been

enrolled with 8th (He says)

*Gen. A. B. Lyon
Capt. Buckner
Col. Sybert*

Please give me the record of this soldier.

Respectfully,

W. J. Stone
Examiner.

State of Kentucky,)
Crittenden
~~Livingston~~ County,)

The affiant, J. P. Pierce, states that he is a resident of said county and State; that his post office address is Marion, Kentucky; that he is personally acquainted with S. H. Koon, who is making an application, as an ex-confederate soldier, for a pension under an act of the General Assembly of Kentucky, approved March 11th, 1912, granting pensions to indigent and disabled confederate soldiers; that he served in the Confederate army with said Koon; that he, this affiant, was the First Lieutenant of the command in which said Koon served; that the said Koon enlisted about the last of May or the first of June, 1864, and that he served for more than one year; that he was under Capt. Buckner and Col. Chennaworth; that said Koon enlisted in the 12th Ky, which was afterwards consolidated with the 8th Ky., in Company C, Regiment No. 10, as affiant now remembers; that he saw said Koon in the actual service and knew him at said time and knows him now; that the applicant Koon was a person of good character both as a man and soldier, and that he was a valiant soldier.

J. P. Pierce

Subscribed and sworn to before me by J. P. Pierce this the 22nd day of May, 1912.

My commission expires Feb. 26, 1916.

Anna Luc Finley

Notary Public in and for Crittenden
County, Kentucky.

LIVINGSTON COUNTY COURT.

Regular July Term 1 day of July 1912

In the matter of S. H. Koon an applicant

for a Pension under the Act Granting Pensions to Disabled and Indigent Confederate Soldiers, whose application is now pending in said Court of Charles Smith Tilden Ky after being duly sworn, testified that he is a citizen and a resident of J. B. Marshall Inksat Ky Livingston County, and has been for 30 years, and that he has known the said applicant to be a citizen of the State of Kentucky, and the County of Livingston, and that he has resided in this County for as much as 30 years, and that applicant's only means of support is: a little farm

100 acres value \$5000

I, W. I. Clarke, Judge of the Livingston County Court, hereby certify that the witness Charles Smith & J. B. Marshall is personally known to me, and is a person worthy of belief. And I hereby recommend that a Pension be granted said applicant.

*County clerk present
and questioned witness*

Respectfully,

W. I. Clarke

Judge Livingston County Court.

April 12, 1915.

Mr. S. H. Koon,
Smithland, Kentucky.

Dear Sir:-

Upon examining 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. I find that one witness testifies to your enlistment as about the first of June, 1864, and that you served for more than a year, which ofcourse would have carried you very far beyond the close of the war, but there is no proof as to when or how you got out of the army. Proof on these points necessary.

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

Yours truly,

Examiner.

WJS-C

State of Kentucky,)
Lyon County,)

The affiant W. T. White, states that he is a resident of said county and State; that he has known S. H. Koon, commonly called Harvey Koon, ever since 1864; that said Koon enlisted in the Confederate army with this affiant, in Company C, under General H.B. Lyon, and served in the Confederate army to this affiant's knowledge from the time of the enlistment until March 1865, at which time this affiant left said army under discharge and returned to his home. That said Koon was a true and valiant soldier and man of good moral character. That since the war the affiant has known the said Koon to be a person of good, moral character. That affiant does not know when and where the said Koon got out of the service. That this affidavit is made for use in the application of said Koon for a pension because of his service in said army.

ATTEST:

W. T. White *his mark*

Subscribed and sworn to before me by W. T. White this 23 day of September, 1913. My commission as notary public expires on the

Notary Public, Lyon Co., Ky.
~~My commission expires Feb. 10, 1916.~~

Given under my hand and notarial seal this 23 day of September, 1913.

Notary Public, Lyon Co., Ky.
My commission expires Feb. 10, 1916.

W. J. Woodall
Notary Public in and for Lyon County,
State of Kentucky.

C. H. WILSON
LAWYER

SMITHLAND, KY. September 27, 1913.

Capt. W. J. Stone,
Examiner of Pensions,
Frankfort, Ky.

Dear Sir and Friend:-

In the application of S. H. Koon for a pension, now pending before your Honorable Department, I enclose an additional affidavit from Mr. W. T. White of Lyon Co., Ky., which I trust will make sufficient proof to grant ~~this~~ pension, as this old man is badly in need of same. I wish you would kindly look it over and let me know what you think about the sufficiency of his proof.

Some days ago I sent you additional affidavits in the case of Richard Theodore Stegall; kindly report on his case.

Also let me know what you think of the application of Henry Fox, as this old man is a bad cripple and has not a vestige of property in the world, and is old and very feeble.

With best wishes to you, I am,

Cordially your friend,

M.F.

C. H. Wilson

P. S. Mr. Koon says he took the oath at Nashville, Tenn. in 1865.

C. H. WILSON,
LAWYER.

Smithland, Ky. May, 16th, 1914.

Capt. W. J. Stone,

Frankfort, Ky.

Dear Sir & Friend:-

Will you please let me know the status of the application of S. H. Koon, for pension. He is old and badly in need of same, and is very anxious to know what his prospects are.

Kindly favor me with an early reply.

Your friend,

C. H. Wilson

May 18th, 1914.

C. H. Wilson,

Smithland, Ky.

My Dear Friend:-

I am in receipt of yours of the 16th. On April 12, 1913, I wrote S. H. Koon what proof he had and what proof was necessary to complete his application. Since that he has furnished an affidavit made by W. T. White, who testifies to the service of S. H. Koon to March, 1865. Judge J. P. Pearce of Marion had formerly testified for him, but the proof still necessary in his case is to show when and how he got out of the army. He states that he was surrendered at ~~Washington~~ Columbus, Ga. in May, 1865, but there is nothing in the prisoners-of-war record relative to his having been surrendered and paroled at any time, as there is cases of those who surrendered at different points in the South. The fact that there is no proof at all, either in the records or otherwise, as to when he got out of the army, makes it necessary that he should furnish that proof if possible. I know him very well and would be glad to serve him in any way in my power, but the proof must comply with the law in order to enable me to do anything in any case.

Your friend,

To whom it may concern.

This is to certify, that to the best of
my knowledge and belief S. H. (Harvey)
Hoon was a Confederate soldier, who
surrendered with a part of Gen: N. B.
Forest command at Selma Alabama
To a Federal Cavalry commander on
Gen: Wilson (have forgotten his given
name) was marched through to Colum-
bus, Georgia and then parolled to go to
his home in Kentucky (I cant remember
the exact date, say about fifteen days
after Gen: Lee's surrender) and came
part of the way home ^{with} myself and others.
(left behind sick.) J. R. Jackson.

Serjt Maj. 8th Reg.

State of Kentucky
County of Caldwell 3^d Sect.

Sworn to before me
this 22 day of Sept: 1914 by J. R. Jackson
who is personally known to me and I
further certify that he is a credible person.

Commission expires
Jan. 14 1916,

C. B. Loyd
Notary Public

CHARLES FERGUSON

J. R. WELLS,
COUNTY ATTORNEY

FERGUSON & WELLS
LAWYERS
SMITHLAND, KY.

OFFICE IN THE
FIRST STATE BANK BUILDING
PHONES 8 AND 10

August 23rd, 1926.

Confederate Pension Department,
Frankfort, Kentucky.

Dear Sirs:-

I am writing you in behalf of Mrs. Sarah Caroline Koon, the widow of S.H.Koon, touching her rights in and to the pension of said S.H.Koon.

S.H.Koon was a Confederate soldier and was drawing a pension under Pension Certificate # 3075. He departed this life on the 29th, day of June, 1926, leaving the above named, Mrs. Sarah Caroline Koon as his widow, she and he having been married on the ___ day of ___, 1903.

What I wish to know is whether or not she is entitled to continue to draw this pension or a part of same by reason of being his widow, and if not whether or not she is entitled to the remaining part of his unpaid pension during his lifetime and up until his death.

I shall thank you very much for this information at once.

Yours very truly,

J. R. Wells.

SMITHLAND, KY.
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