

# Soldier's Application for Pension

I, Benjamin F. Shacklett

am a citizen of Kentucky, resident at Doakestown in the County of Muhlenberg

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 Co "G" 12 Ky Cav. C.S.A.

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 Meade County State of Kentucky Born  
March 10th 1846

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

Answer April 1<sup>st</sup> 1863, enlisted under Capt Williams recruiting  
officer & served in Co G 12 Ky Cav - Capt - Jones  
Colonel A.R. Shacklett - until discharged - Capt -

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

Answer discharged at Columbus Miss May 16, 1865

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 May 16 1865 - I had to get home

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

Answer *farmer tenant a bare living* <sup>state</sup> *how much money*

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

Answer *Have nothing*

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

Answer *Not any*

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 *None at all*

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 *off & on all my life see my life or since state when*

Have you an attorney to look after this application?

Answer *No*

If so, give his name and address?

Answer *None*

Witness my hand this *11* day of *May* 191*8*

WITNESSES:

*E. Smith*, Physician P. O. *B. H. Shacklett*  
 Postoffice Address *Paradise Ky* Street and No. (if any) *Drakesboro Ky*

*W. R. Bates*, Witness R. F. D. (if any)

Postoffice Address *Paradise Ky*

*M. B. Kitley*, Witness  
 Postoffice Address *Paradise Ky*

STATE OF KENTUCKY

*Muhlenberg* County } I, *J. J. Rice* Judge of said County,  
 certify that *Benjamin G. Shacklett* and his wife  are  
 assessed with *no* acres, valued at \$ , and with \$ *None* of personal property.

Witness my hand this *15th* day of *November*, 191*8*.  
*J. J. Rice* Judge County Court.

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

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Muhlenberg County } Personally appeared before me, a Notary Public of said County, the above named B.F. Shacklett 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 11 day of May, 1912.

P.O. Paradise Ky E.C. Shull Notary Public, Muhlenberg, County, Ky. My Commission expires January 16, 1914.

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Muhlenberg County } Personally appeared before me, a Notary Public of said County, the above named Benjamin F. Shacklett 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 the applicant, and find him laboring under the following disabilities: Unable to earn a support by manual labor.

I find him with an intermittent heart and a broken & displaced sternum & fifth and sixth ribs on each side have been broken also in which you can see the pulsation of the Aorta I also find enlargement of the Inguinal glands on both sides due to exposure and venous conditions with which he has a bad case of External piles & has Rheumatism in both legs from thighs down right & left on age 66 years Mar 18 1842

Witness my hand and seal of office, this 11 day of May, 1912.

P.O. Paradise Ky E.C. Shull Notary Public, Muhlenberg, County, Ky. My Commission expires January 16, 1914.

(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

Muhlenberg County } Personally appeared before me, a Notary Public of said County, the above named Dr. E.S. Smith

and W.R. Baker & M.A. Kirtley, 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 Confederate army.

State here what witnesses know of their own knowledge.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this 11 day of May, 1912.

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No. 2513.....

STATE OF KENTUCKY

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*Benjamin F. Shullitt*

Co. .... Rgt.

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Read Specifications on Back.

**SPECIFICATIONS**

- 1. ....
- 2. ....
- 3. ....
- 4. ....
- 5. ....

*Approved*  
*W. F. Shullitt*  
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.



Indorsement.

PENSION EXAMINER'S OFFICE,

FRANKFORT, KY.

BENJAMIN F. SHACKLETTE

Enlisted April 1, 1863, in  
Company G, 12th Kentucky Cav.  
and was surrendered at  
Citronelle, Ala. May 4, 1865,  
and paroled at Columbus, Miss.  
May 16, 1865. Proven by the  
record and parole filed with  
application.

Indigent.

Approved:

W J Stone.

Muhlenberg County Court.  
Regular July term, 1913.

In re Benjamin F. Shacklett's Application for Pension:

Application was duly filed in the Muhlenberg County Court by Benjamin F. Shacklett and it was ordered at that term of this court to lie over until the present term, at which time testimony was heard in open court as to the applicant's citizenship, residence and means of support.

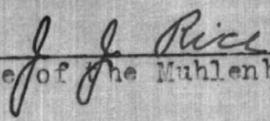
The witnesses who testified and the substance of their evidence follows:

Adam Wallace, after being duly sworn, testified that he is a resident of Greenville, Kentucky, and has known Mr. Shacklett for thirty years; that he lives in Muhlenberg County, Kentucky; has no income except what he can earn by daily labor; has no property whatever.

Z. T. Kirtley, after being duly sworn, testified that he is a resident of Paradise, Kentucky; that he has known Mr. Shacklett for forty years; that he is a resident of this County and State; has no income except his daily earnings; that neither he nor his wife have any property.

The court after hearing the above proof, and from his own personal knowledge of the financial and physical condition of Benjamin F. Shacklett, is of the opinion that the applicant has no income except what he earns by his daily labor, and that he is not able to earn as much as \$300.00 per year, and that he is justly entitled to receive a pension as provided by an act of the Kentucky Legislature approved March 11th, 1912, and does therefore recommend that the said Benjamin F. Shacklett be paid a pension as provided in said act.

I also certify that I am personally acquainted with the witnesses, Adam Wallace and Z. T. Kirtley, and know them to be citizens of varacity and standing in this community and worthy of credit on oath.

  
Judge of the Muhlenberg County Court.