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J. L. Fyfe  
Clerk

# Questions for Applicant

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Morgan County.

Mary Leah Carter of said State and County, desiring to avail herself of the pension allowed to Indigent Widows of Soldiers, General Assembly, approved March 11, 1912, hereby submits her proofs, and after being duly sworn true answers 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.)  
Mary Leah Carter, Senoys P.O., Morgan County, Kentucky
2. How long and since when have you been a resident of this State? All my life more than sixty years
3. When and where were you born and what was your maiden name?  
My maiden name was Mary Leah Esterling in Morgan County, Ky.
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. (If possible, attach certified copy marriage license in every case.)  
In Alabama. I do not know the exact age of my husband but if living now he would be about seventy seven years old. His full name was Eliah Carter. We were married with Morgan both men here was in Nov. 1884 by Rev. Matthew McBlaine.
5. When and where and in what Company and Regiment did your husband enlist or serve during the war between the States?  
Co. A. 5th Regiment of Infantry
6. How long did your husband serve in said Company and Regiment?  
About fourteen months
7. When and where did your husband's Company and Regiment surrender?  
It was mustered out and discharged at Hazel Green Ky. the last days of October 1862
8. Was your husband present at the time and place when his Company and Regiment surrendered?  
Yes Sir
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?  
He was present at the time
10. When and where did your husband die?  
In Morgan County Ky. 29th day of July 1904
11. At the time of your husband's death, were you living with him as his lawful wife?  
Yes Sir we were
12. Have you married since the death of your soldier husband?  
No Sir
13. What property, real or personal, or income do you have or possess, and its gross value?  
I do not own any property of any kind either real or personal, but I have some furniture and some other things.
14. Have you a family? If so, who compose such family?  
I reside most of the time with my son and his family. Name of them living with me I do not keep
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.  
Alfred McBlaine Jr. Alfred McBlaine Jr.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this, the

29th day of April 1912 } witness }  
J. Sebastian Clerk of Morgan }  
County.

Mary Leah Carter  
mark

# Questions for Witnesses

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Morgan County.

Joel W. J. Carter, Gary Brock of said State and County, having been presented as a witness in support of the application of Mrs. Mary Leah Carter for a pension under Confederate Pension Law, approved March 11, 1912, 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? Joel W. J. Carter, Gary Brock of said State and County, having been presented as a witness in support of the application of Mrs. Mary Leah Carter for a pension under Confederate Pension Law, approved March 11, 1912, after being duly sworn, true answers to make to the following questions, deposes and answers as follows:  
and Sanford Davis, Malone Ky.
2. Are you acquainted with the applicant, Mrs. Mary Leah Carter?  
If so, how long have you known her? We have known her for many years.
3. Where does she reside, and how long and since when has she been a resident of this State?  
She now resides near Senat P.O. Morgan County Ky. and has been a resident of Ky. all her life.
4. Were you ever acquainted with her husband? Yes for many years.
5. Were either or both of you present at the marriage? Joel W. J. Carter was present.
6. How long did you know him? All his life.
7. When and where did Elijah Carter enlist in the war between the States, and in what Company and Regiment did he enlist, and how do you know this? In West Liberty Ky. Aug. or Sept. 1861 in Co. A. 5. Ky. 11th, we served with him.
8. Were you a member of the same Company and Regiment at the close of the war?  
Yes. Sir we were when the Co. & Regt. was dishanded at Hazelgreen Ky. in October 1862.
9. How long did he perform regular military duty? About fourteen months.
10. When and where was his Company and Regiment surrendered? The Co. and Regt. was dishanded at Hazelgreen Ky. the last day of Oct. 1862.
11. Were you with the command when it surrendered? Yes, when dishanded.
12. Was Elijah Carter, the husband of applicant, present?  
Yes. Sir. In same mess with J. W. J. Carter, witness.
13. If not present, where was he? He was present.
14. When and where did he leave his command? Did not leave it.  
For what cause? None was there all the time.  
By whose authority did he leave? Did not leave.  
How do you know all this? (State fully and clearly.)  
Was with him, messes with him, and was with him at time Co. and Regt. were dishanded.
15. When and where did Elijah Carter die?  
In Morgan County Ky. 29. of Feby. 1904.
16. Where did he reside at his death, and how long had he been a resident of Kentucky at his death?  
He resided in Morgan County Ky. He has resided all his life near Hazelgreen.
17. Do you know of your own knowledge that applicant is the lawful widow of Elijah Carter?  
Yes. Sir we do.

18. Has she remained unmarried since her soldier husband's death, and is she now his widow? .....  
*She has not remained. But is yet his widow.....*

19. What property, effects or income has the applicant, if any, and how do you know this of your own knowledge?  
*She owns no property at all. Has no income at all, of any kind, from any source.....*

Has applicant conveyed any property, in the last two years or given any away, if so, what was it, and to whom?  
*She has none to convey. She wants out for a livelihood. And live with her son, a member.....*

NOTE.—Let the witness who can answer the greatest number of the 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.

*Both answer as above stated.....*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 18<sup>th</sup>.....  
day of *June*..... 191*2*  
*J. H. Sebastian*  
*Bless*.....

*L. W. J. Carter*  
*Sanford Davis*.....  
Witnesses.

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

I, *J. C. Ferguson*..... Judge of *Morgan*..... County, Kentucky,  
hereby certify that the property assessed on the tax books of this County to Mrs. *Mary Leah Carter*  
the widow of *Elijah Carter*..... amounts to \$ *nothing*..... real estate and  
\$ *nothing*..... personal..... *J. C. Ferguson*..... Trustee.  
For *Morgan*..... County, Ky.

Certificate of Clerk of Court or Notary Public

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

*Morgan*..... County.

*J. H. Sebastian*..... Clerk or Notary Public, in and for said county, hereby  
certify that the applicant, Mrs. *Mary Leah Carter*..... resides in said county, and has been  
a bona fide resident of this State since the *all*..... days of *of her life*..... 19*—*, and that the wit-  
nesses, *Mr. J. W. J. Carter and Sanford Davis*.....  
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 witness 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<sup>th</sup>..... day of *June*..... 191*2*.

(SEAL)

*J. H. Sebastian*.....  
*Bless Morgan*..... County Clerk

- 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. **158**.....

**Widow's  
Indigent Pension**

Name *Mary Leah Santes*

Filed ..... **JUL 18 1912** .....

Widow of *Edgar Santes*.....

*affirmed*  
*W. J. Stone*  
*Examiner*

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

Address: "The Adjutant General,  
War Department, Washington, D. C."  
1936939

**WAR DEPARTMENT,**

**THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,**

WASHINGTON, July 22, 1912.

Respectfully returned to the

Examiner,  
Confederate Pension Department,  
Frankfort, Kentucky.

The records show that Elijah H. Carter, private, Company A, 5th Kentucky Infantry (latterly mounted), Confederate States Army, enlisted October 25, 1861. He was reported present and mustered out on muster-out roll of company, dated October 20, 1862.

*Henry O. McCall*

Adjutant General.

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MRS. MARY L. CARTER,

WIDOW OF ELIJAH H. CARTER, who  
enlisted Oct. 25, 1861, Co. A,  
5th Kentucky Inf'y. for 12  
months, and was mustered out  
of service Oct. 20, 1862.

Proven by the record and  
comrades.

W J S

*Judgment.*

*I recommend that this  
claim be allowed*

*J. Handyell*

*Adjutant General*

*Approved by State Pension Board  
James P. McCreary*

*Chairman State Pension Board*

*Jan 25, 18*

*Middle town Ohio*

*704 Elwood St*

*Mr. B. F. Day*

*Commissioner of*

*Confederate pensions*

*I am returning my  
mother's voucher to  
you unsigned.*

*My mother departed  
this life Jan 12 - 28.*

*Kindly appreciating*

*your favors*

*yours truly*

*Nancy Lawson*

*704 Elwood St*

*Middle town*

*Ohio*

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

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WAR DEPARTMENT

QUARTERS

REPORT NO.

EXAMINER

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No. .... W .....

HEADQUARTERS

# Confederate Pension Department

W. J. STONE, EXAMINER

FRANKFORT, KY.

JUL 18 1912 191 .....

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

Dear Sir:

Mrs. Mary L. Carter

who is an applicant for pension under the Kentucky Widows' Pension Law,

claims that her husband Elijah Carter

was a member of Company A Regiment 5<sup>th</sup> Ky. C. S. A.,

and was Inf

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Please give me the record of this soldier.

Respectfully,

W. J. Stone  
Examiner.

Mary Leach Carter, Applicant.

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Joel W. Carter states under oath: " I know Mary L. Carter. She has lived in Ky. all her life. She lived with Elijah Carter at the time of his death, and has not married since his death. She has no income and no property."

W. G. Gevedon states under oath: " I know Mary L. Carter. Her husband is dead. She was living with him at the time of his death. She has no income and no property."

Finding of Fact.

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I, I. C. Furgerson, Judge of Morgan County Court, certify that Joel W. Carter of Grassy Creek, Ky. and W. G. Gevedon of West Liberty Ky., the above witnesses are honorable reputable citizens, and worthy of belief: and from the evidence, and from the Assessor's books, I find that the above applicant is an indigent widow of a Confederate soldier, and entitled to a pension under the Indigent Confederate Soldiers Pension Act of 1912.

Witness my hand this the 5<sup>th</sup>, day of July, 1912.

I. C. Furgerson  
Judge of Morgan County Court.

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E. N. Carter  
To Marriage  
Mary L. Easteling  
Marriage License Issued Nov 4<sup>th</sup>  
1883.

This is to certify that E. N. Carter &  
Mary L. Easteling were married by me  
Nov 5<sup>th</sup> 1883 at J. C. Adams in  
presence of J. M. Walden & A. B. Waldeck  
M. B. McClure

State of Kentucky }  
County of Morgan }

I J. Sebastian Clerk of the  
County Court for the County and State  
aforesaid certify that the foregoing  
is a true copy of the Marriage of  
E. N. Carter & Mary L. Easteling as  
shown by the records of my office  
Marriage register No 2 page 208.

Given under my hand this 12 day July 1912,  
J. Sebastian Clerk.



E. W. Carter  
For Marriage Certificate  
Mary L. Eastwing

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