

(ORIGINAL)

Soldier's Application for Pension

I, Thomas J. Riggsby

am a citizen of Kentucky, resident at Stamington in the County of Greenup

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 Company K 5th Ky. Inf.

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 Johnson County Ky. year of 1844 July 16th

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

Answer In Sept or Oct 1861 in command of Col John Williamson
Lieut Col. Hawkins Capt. Paul Blevins 1st Lieut James Mobley
2nd Lieut. Harvey J. J. J.

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

Answer Disbanded at Hazel Run Ky. in Sept or Oct 1862 to best of my knowledge
but was taken prisoner about 2 mos afterwards and was in prison about 16 months.

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

Answer Yes first at Catletburg Ky 2 mos. Nov-Dec 1862 transferred to
Cincinnati, O. prison remained there about 14 months. Released March 1864

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 March 1864 at Cincinnati etc. O. before Commanders of
McLeans barracks

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

Answer I own a little land earn forced \$100 per year

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

Answer No Real Estate Personal Property \$200⁰⁰

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

Answer None at all

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 Not received \$100⁰⁰

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 All my life

Have you an attorney to look after this application?

Answer No but J. T. Allen is my agent.

If so, give his name and address

Answer J. T. Allen Grumpky

Witness my hand this 27th day of April 1912

WITNESSES:

R. L. Biggs, Physician P. O. Grumpky

Postoffice Address Grumpky Street and No. (if any)

Jesse L. ... Witness R. F. D. (if any)

Postoffice Address Ashland Ky.

James Johnson, Witness

Postoffice Address Grumpky

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Grump County I, J. Matt Tomack Judge of said County,

certify that J. T. Riggsby and his wife are

assessed with no land acres, valued at \$, and with \$ of personal property.

Witness my hand this 11th day of June 1912

J. Matt Tomack Judge County Court.

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

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Greenup County } Personally appeared before me... a Notary Public... Thomas J. Riggsby... of said County, the above named... 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 29th day of April 1912

Notary Public, Greenup County, Ky. My commission expires Jan'y 23, 1914.

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Greenup County } Personally appeared before me... a Notary Public... R. B. Biggs... 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... Thomas J. Riggsby... the applicant, and find him laboring under the following disabilities: Unable to earn a support by manual labor.

That he suffers from heart disease, hearing and eyesight both greatly impaired. These disabilities together with age render it impossible for said applicant to earn a support by manual labor.

R. B. Biggs M.D.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this 29th day of April 1912

Notary Public, Greenup County, Ky. My commission expires Jan'y 23, 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

Greenup County } Personally appeared before me... a Notary Public... James Johnson... and James Johnson... 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... they... further make oath to the following facts touching the applicant's service in the... Confidential... army.

State here what witnesses know of their own knowledge.

That said applicant enlisted in Co. 5th Ky. Reg. near Danville, Ky. in Sept. or Oct. 1861 - that they were members of the same said Reg. and Co. and that they served with him in said Company one year that they have been in skirmishes with him, have slept and missed with him while in service that his record was clean during his said service that said Company was honorably disbanded at end of one year. And they further state that they know from their personal knowledge that said applicant is unable to earn a support by manual labor.

James Johnson

Witness my hand and seal of office, this 29th day of April 1912

Notary Public, Greenup County, Ky. My commission expires Jan'y 23, 1914.

No. 1861

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Soldier's Application for Pension

Thos J Riggs Jr

Co. Rgt.

JUN 15 1912

Filed by J. E. Harlan clerk

Allowed

Read Specifications on Back.

SPECIFICATIONS

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Approved

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.



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ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
81 MTC
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WAR DEPARTMENT.

Address: "The Adjutant General,
War Department, Washington, D. C."
1925658

WAR DEPARTMENT,

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON. June 19, 1912.

Respectfully returned to the

Examiner,
Confederate Pension Department,
Frankfort, Kentucky.

The records show that one Thomas T. Riggsby, private, 1st Company K, 5th Kentucky Infantry, Confederate States Army, was enlisted December 14, 1861. The muster-out roll of that company, dated October 20, 1862, shows him present but does not show that he was mustered out, the following remark relative to him appearing thereon: "Leave of absence October 22, 1862." No record has been found of the capture or parole of a man named Thomas T. Riggsby (or Riggsby) as a member of the above named organization, but the records of prisoners of war show that one Thomas Riggsby, a private of said company and regiment, was captured April 23, 1863, at Louisa, Kentucky, and was forwarded, via Camp Chase, Ohio, and Johnson's Island, Ohio, to Point Lookout, Maryland, where he was released April 11, 1864, on taking the oath of allegiance. No later record of this man has been found.

Samuel P. H. [Signature]

Adjutant General.

(A. G. O. 72-1)

Per

Indorsement

Confederate Pension Department

STATE OF KENTUCKY

FRANKFORT.

THOMAS T. RIGGSBY

Was a member of Company K, 5th Kentucky Inf'y. and was enlisted Dec. 14, 1861, and was present with his company when it was mustered out of service at Hazel Green, Ky. October 20, 1862, at the expiration of term of service. Proven by the record.

Property: \$200.00

W J Stone.

I recommend that this claim be allowed.

J. Sandy Ellis

Adjutant General.

Allowed by the State Pension Board.

James B. McCreary
Chairman.

State of Kentucky)
County of Boyd)

I, J. W. Wurts, Judge of Boyd County Kentucky, hereby certify that Jesse Lyon of Ashland, Kentucky this County, is a man of trustworthy character and that his statements are entitled to full faith and credit.

Witness my hand this 16 day of May 1912.

J. W. Wurts
Judge of Boyd County Kentucky.

No. _____ S _____

HEADQUARTERS

Confederate Pension Department

W. J. STONE, EXAMINER

FRANKFORT, KY,

..... M June 15th, 1912

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

Dear Sir:

..... Thos. T. Riggsby,

..... who is an applicant for Pension under the Kentucky Pension law, claims
to have been a member of Company "K" - 5th Kentucky
Regiment Infantry C. S. A., and to have been

..... Disbanded at Hazel Green, Ky. in Sept. or Oct.
1862; was in prison about 16 months at Catt-
lettsburg, Ky. and Cincinnati, O.
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Please give me the record of this soldier.

Respectfully,

..... *W. J. Stone*

Examiner.

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT,

No. 13

State of Kentucky, County of Boyd SS:

IN the matter of the application for pension of

ON THIS 3rd day of May, A. D. 1913, personally appeared before me a Notary Public in and for the aforesaid County, duly authorized to administer oaths Jesse Lyons aged 69 years, a resident of Abland in the County of Boyd and State of Kentucky whose Post-Office address is 621 E Central Abland aged _____ years, a resident of _____ in the County of _____ State of _____ whose Post-Office address is _____

well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declare in relation to the aforesaid case as follows:

The affiant Jesse Lyons says that he was a member of the same Company the 3rd Regt Ky Confederate Army during the War of the Rebellion with Thomas J. Ragsby and knew him during his entire term of service and knows that he was mustered out of the Confederate Service at Hazel Green Ky about November or December 1862 the affiant says that he knows of his own personal knowledge that Thomas J. Ragsby did not take the oath of Allegiance prior to his being mustered out of said Confederate Service the affiant says that his means of knowing is that he was present all the time with Thomas J. Ragsby

He further declare that he has no interest in said case and is not not concerned in its prosecution.

Jesse Lyons

If affiant signs by mark, two witnesses who can write must sign here

Signatures of affiants

State of Kentucky, County of Boyd, ss:

SWORN to and subscribed before me this day by the above-named affiants, and I certify that I read this affidavit to said affiants, including the words _____ erased, and the words _____ added, and acquainted him with its contents before he executed the same. I further certify that I am in nowise interested in said case, nor am I concerned in its prosecution; and that said affiants is personally known to me and that he is credible persons.

[L. S.] my Commissioner of Public Lands
January 20th 1914 (Official signature.)
Notary Public Boyd County (Official character.)

I, _____, Clerk of the County Court in and for the aforesaid County and State do certify that _____, Esq., who has signed his name to the foregoing declaration and affidavit was at the time of so doing _____ in and for said County and State, duly commissioned and sworn; that all his official acts are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature thereunto is genuine.

WITNESS my hand and seal of office this _____ day of _____, 191_____

[L. S.]

Clerk of the _____

NOTE.—To be executed before some officer authorized to administer oaths for general purposes. The official character and signature of any such officer not required by law to use a seal must be certified by the clerk of the proper court, giving the dates of beginning and close of official term. If certificate is on file, so state.

as follows: _____
well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declare in relation to the aforesaid case
whose Post-Office address is _____
in the County of _____ State of _____
to inhabit on _____ day _____
whose Post-Office address is _____

No. _____

Additional Evidence

No. _____

Wm. H. Ruggles
Name of Claimant

Name of Soldier.

Co. 1st Regt. Ky. Inf.
Nature of Claim.

Nature of Claim.

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Greenup County Court.

June Term 1912.

June 3rd, 1912.

In the matter of application for pension of Thos T. Rigsby.

Bryant Fannin, of Stoneington, Greenup County, Kentucky, being first duly sworn testifies Have known the applicant for about thirteen years. He has been a resident and a citizen of Greenup County, Kentucky, continuously since January 1st, 1907, He has no real estate, personal property none, his wife has no property and no income. His only source of income is by what manual labor he can perform he is 68 years old.

John Young, of Greenup Greenup County, Kentucky, being first duly sworn testifies Have known Mr. Rigsby for ~~kk~~ ten years or more.

He has been a resident of Kentucky all this time.

• He owns no real estate or personal property has no means of support other than his labor by day.

I, J. Watt ~~n~~Womack, Judge of Greenup County, certify that the above named witnesses Bryant Fannin and Mohn Young are men of trustworthy character and that their statement are entitled to full faith and credit.

J. Watt Womack

Judge Greenup County Kentucky.

I, J. Watt Womack, Judge of Greenup County Court hereby recommend that a pension be granted the Applicant Thos T. Rigsby.

J. Watt Womack

Judge Greenup County Kentucky.

ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE IN THE CASE OF THE APPLICATION OF
THOMAS T. RIGGSBY OF STONNINGTON, KY. FOR PENSION ON ACCOUNT OF
SERVICE IN CONFEDERATE ARMY.

State of Kentucky)
County of Greenup) -

Personally appeared before me a Notary Public of the said County, Thomas T. Riggsby of Stonnington, Ky. with whom I am personally acquainted, and known by me to be a person of veracity and standing in this community, and also known by me to be the same Thomas T. Riggsby of Stonnington, Ky. who filed an application for pension in the Greenup County Court ~~May 4, 1912~~ for service in the Confederate Army, who after first being duly sworn makes oath to the following facts touching his service in the Confederate Army:

That he enlisted in Company K. 5th Ky. Inft. sometime in ~~late~~ late Fall or early Winter of the year of 1861 for the term of one year, that he served his full time as a soldier and that he was honorably disbanded with the other members of the "old 5th" at the expiration of one year, the time for which they enlisted: that he did not after said disbandment of the 5th Ky. enlist in either the Confederate or Union Army at any time, but that in ~~November~~ ~~1862~~ he was taken prisoner by a Company of Union soldiers then organizing near his home who tried to compel him to volunteer in the Union service and who because he refused to do so had him confined in the Union Prison first at Catlettsburg, Ky. and then at Cincinnati, Ohio. where he remained a prisoner until April 1864 when upon taking the oath of allegiance to the United States he was released from prison and allowed to go home.

Thomas T. Riggsby

Witness my hand and seal of office this 16th day of December 1912.

D. H. Allen

Notary Public, Greenup, County, Ky.

My commission expires January 26th. 1914.

W. T. COLE
LAWYER
GREENUP, KY. 10/28/1918

Hon. W. J. Stone, Commissioner of Pensions,
Frankfort, Ky.

Dear Sir:

I am instructed to advise your Department that one Mr. Thomas T. Riggsby, who has been receiving a pension from the State of Kentucky, of the Department of Confederate Pensions, died on the twenty-second day of this Oct. 1918, a resident of and domiciled in Greenup county in said State.

Mr. Riggsby at his decease left surviving him his widow, Elizabeth Jane Riggsby, whose post-Office is at Beechy in said County. Mrs. Riggsby requested me to write this letter desiring to know what steps under the rules of ~~mmmm~~ the Department of Confederate Pensions she will have to undergo to receive the pension of her deceased husband, Thomas T. Riggsby.

The papers advising Mr. Riggsby that he is entitled to a ~~monthly~~ pension at the rate of \$12. per month and requesting him to comply with Sec. 13 of the Pension Law therewith came on the day of his death and of course too late for him to give the matter proper attention. Now, his widow as I have hereinbefore stated, desires to receive her husband's pension and she will very much thank your Department to advise her of the method of procedure to accomplish such object. Thanking you in advance for your advice to the widow in the above matter, I remain,

Yours very truly,

W. T. Cole

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