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Questions for Applicant

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

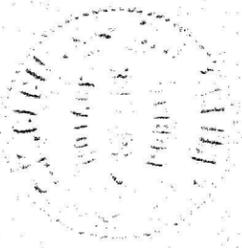
Pike County.

Mrs. W. O. B. Ratliff (Mary E. Ratliff) of said State and County, desiring to avail herself of the pension allowed to Indigent Widows of Soldiers, General Assembly, approved March 18, 1914, hereby submits her proofs, and after being duly sworn true answers to make 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.) Mrs. W. O. B. Ratliff (Mary E. Ratliff)
2. How long and since when have you been a resident of this State? Since Aug. 4" 1865
3. When and where were you born and what was your maiden name? Prestonsburg, Floyd Co. Ky. Aug. 4" 1855
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. (A copy of the marriage license or affidavits of two or more persons who know when the applicant was married to her husband, must accompany the application) Pike Co. Ky. July 24" 1844
W. O. B. Ratliff, Pikeville Ky. George Stump
5. When and where and in what Company and Regiment did your husband enlist or serve during the war between the States? Summer of 1861. Company D, 10" Ky. Cavalry
6. How long did your husband serve in said Company and Regiment? a few days after battle of Mt. Sterling until summer of 1864
7. When and where did your husband's Company and Regiment surrender? Remnant of company surrendered at Lenoira Ky. April 1865
8. Was your husband present at the time and place when his Company and Regiment surrendered? No.
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? Camp Marton Ind. A few days after battle of Mt. Sterling, where he was wounded, he was captured and taken to camp Marton Ind.
10. When and where did your husband die? Pikeville Ky. March 14" 1908
11. At the time of your husband's death, were you living with him as his lawful wife? Yes
12. Have you married since the death of your soldier husband? No
13. What property, real or personal, or income do you have or possess, and its gross value? None whatever
14. Have you a family? If so, who compose such family? Yes, one daughter
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 S. M. Cecil, Pikeville Ky.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this, the 1st day of November, 1926
S. M. Cecil, Notary Public
of Pike County.

Mary E. Ratliff



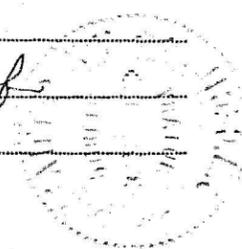
Questions for Witnesses

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Pike County.

James P. Marrs, of said State and County, having been presented as a witness in support of the application of Mrs. W. O. B. Rarliff for a pension under Confederate Pension Law, approved March 18, 1914, 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? James P. Marrs, Pikeville Pike County, Kentucky
2. Are you acquainted with the applicant, Mrs. W. O. B. Rarliff
If so, how long have you known her? For more fifty years
3. Where does she reside, and how long and since when has she been a resident of this State? Pikeville Pike Co. Ky. All her life
4. Were you ever acquainted with her husband? Yes
5. Were either or both of you present at the marriage? No
6. How long did you know him? Since about 1855
7. When and where did W. O. B. Rarliff enlist in the war between the States, and in what Company and Regiment did he enlist, and how do you know this? Summer of 1861 10th Ky. Cavalry - Company 'D' I was in company
8. Were you a member of the same Company and Regiment at the close of the war? Yes
9. How long did he perform regular military duty? From date enlistment until captured at Georgetown Ky. July 1864
10. When and where was his Company and Regiment surrendered? This company surrendered at Louisa Ky. in April 1865
11. Were you with the command when it surrendered? Yes
12. Was W. O. B. Rarliff, the husband of applicant, present?
13. If not present, where was he? In prison at Camp Morton Ind.
14. When and where did he leave his command? It is my understanding at Georgetown Ky
For what cause? He was wounded & left at Georgetown ^{captured} where he was
By whose authority did he leave? No one. He was captured.
How do you know all this? (State fully and clearly.) He was a member of my company I was with him when he was captured & wounded at Mt. Sterling Ky. in June 1864. He was later captured
15. When and where did W. O. B. Rarliff die? Pikeville Ky. March 1908
16. Where did he reside at his death, and how long had he been a resident of Kentucky at his death? Pikeville Ky. All his life
17. Do you know of your own knowledge that applicant is the lawful widow of W. O. B. Rarliff? I do



18. Has she remained unmarried since her soldier husband's death, and is she now his widow? She has
she is

19. What property, effects or income has the applicant, if any, and how do you know this of your own knowledge?

No property or income. Her property has all been sold
and she has nothing from which to derive income

20. Has applicant conveyed any property, in the last two years or given any money, if so, what was it, and to whom?

No

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

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 29th
day of Sept 1926
J. E. Sanders
Notary Public Pike Co. Ky.

James P. ...

Witnesses.

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

I, _____ Judge of _____ County, Kentucky,
hereby certify that the property assessed on the tax books of this County to Mrs. _____
the widow of _____ amounts to \$ _____ real estate and
\$ _____ personal _____ Trustee.
For _____ County, Ky.

Certificate of Clerk of Court or Notary Public

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

_____ County.

I, _____ Clerk or Notary Public, in and for said county, hereby
certify that the applicant, Mrs. _____ resides in said county, and has been
a bona fide resident of this State since the _____ day of _____ 19____, and that the wit-
nesses, Mr. _____
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 witnesses 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 _____ day of _____ 192____

(SEAL)

_____ County.

- 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. 4430

**Widow's
Indigent Pension**

Name Mrs. W. B. Rariff

Filed Nov 3, 1926
In office -

Widow of W. B. Rariff

Allowed Dec 1st 1926
L. A. George Comr.

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

CONFEDERATE PENSION DEPARTMENT

FRANKFORT, KENTUCKY

Mary E. Ratliff, widow
of W. O. B. Ratliff, who
enlisted in Company "D" 10th
Kentucky Cavalry 1864- captured
and imprisoned at Camp Morton,
Indiana, released at close of the
war.

Proven by records.

Indigent.

W. O. B. Ratliff

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

WAR DEPARTMENT,
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON NOV. 8, 1926.

Respectfully returned to

Confederate Pension Department,
State of Kentucky,
Frankfort, Kentucky.

The records show that one William O. B. Ratliff, pvt. Capt. James M. Carey's Co. subsequently (1st) Co. G, 5th. Regt. Ky. Inf., C.S.A. enlisted Oct. 28, 1861, at Pikeville, Ky. and on muster roll for May & June 1862, (last on file) is shown, Present, with the rank of corp. No capture, parole or later record has been found as of the above named organ. The records also show that William O. B. Ratliff, sgt. and pvt. Capt. Geo. R. Diamond's Co. Mays Battn. Ky. Mtd. Rifles, subsequently Co. D, 10th. (Diamond's) Regt. Ky. Cav., C.S.A. enlisted Sept. 22nd 1862, at Piketon, Ky. and on a muster roll for Feb. 29, to Aug. 31, 1864, (last on file) is shown, Absent, wounded and captured Mt. Sterling, June 9, 1864. Prisoner of war records show him, captured June 10/64. and released on Oath at Camp Morton, Ind. Mar. 22/65. Name not found on rolls of Co. D, 14th. Ky. Cav.

Robert C. Davis
Major General,
The Adjutant General.

By *W. O.*

No. S

HEADQUARTERS

Confederate Pension Department

W. J. STONE, EXAMINER

FRANKFORT, KY.

Nov 3 1926

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

Dear Sir:

W. O. B. Rathliff

who is an applicant for pension under the Kentucky Pension law, claims
to have been a member of Company *"D"*

Regiment *14th Ky Cav,* C. S. A., and to have been

*Also known as Man's
Batt Mt d Rifles 10th Ky Cav.*

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OLD RECORD

Please give me the record of this soldier.

Respectfully,

W. J. Stone

Examiner.

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State of Kentucky,
County of Pike....SCT.

The affiant, Henrietta Tibbs, states thar she has been personally acquainted with Mrs. W. O. B. Ratliff for more than sixty years; and that in November 1875, she was present when W. O. B. Ratliff was united in marriage to Mary E. Coates, (the maiden name of Mrs. W. O. B. Ratliff),; and that they lived together as man and wife until the death of W. O. B. Ratliff in 1908; that Mrs. W. O.B. Ratliff, was never re-married and is now the widow of the said W. O. B. Ratliff.

Henrietta Tibbs

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Henrietta Tibbs, this the 25 day of May 1926.

J. E. Boncher
Notary Public, Pike County, Ky.

My commission expires on the 10 day of Nov. 1928

State of Kentucky / Sct.
County of Pike

The affiant, Thomas J. Coats, states that he has been personall acquainted with Mrs. W. O. B. Ratliff for more than sixty years; and that in November 1875, ~~she was united in marriage~~ he was present when the soldier W. O. B. Ratliff was united in marriage to Mary E. Coates, (the maiden name of Mrs. W. O. B. Ratliff); and that they lived together as man and wife from the date of their marriage until the death of the said W. O. B. Ratliff in 1908; and that Mrs. W. O. B. Ratliff was never re-married and is now the widow of the said W. O. B. Ratliff; that she has no income, and has no property.

Thomas J. Coats

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Thomas J. Coats, this Aseptember 5, 1926.

S. M. Bevil
Notary Public for Pike county Ky.

My Commission expires on the 4th day of February 1930.

State of Virginia / Sct.
Court of Dickson

D. C. Lockhart, of said State and County, having been presented as a witness in support of the application of Mrs. W. O. B. Ratliff, for a pension under Confederate Pension Law, approved March 18, 1914, after duly sworn, true answers to make to the following questions, deposes and answers as follows:

What is your name and what is your postoffice address?

D C Lockhart Clintwood Va

Are you acquainted with the applicant, Mrs. W. O. B. Ratliff?

yes

If so how long have you known her?

since she was 5, or 6 years old

Where does she reside, and how long and since when has she been a resident of

this State?

Pikeville Ky. always lived in Ky. so far as I know

Were you ever acquainted with her husband?

yes

Were you present at the marriage?

I was on the ground but did not actually hear the ceremony.

How long did you know him?

from a little boy up.

When and where did W. O. B. Ratliff enlist in the war between the States, and in

what Company and Regiment did he enlist, and how do you know this?

Know he was in the army. I took him off the field when he was wounded. Don't know place or date of enlistment. when he came back from

Were you a member of the same Company and Regiment at the close of the war?

yes
10th Ky. Co. Cavalry

How long did he perform regular military duty?

about 4 years

When and where was his Company and Regiment surrendered?

Louisiana Ky

Were you with the Company when it surrendered?

No I stopped off at the farm of Rev. J. Ross of my own

was W. O. B. Ratliff, the husband of applicant, present?

Don't know

If not present where was he?

with the regiment the Co. He surrendered with the Co. at the battle of Franklin 9 miles

When and where did he leave his Company?

about Pikeville Ky

For what cause?

By whose authority did he leave?

He surrendered with the Co

How do you know all this? (State fully and clearly.)

We started together I stopped off 9 miles above Pikeville & he was with the Cavalry

When and where did W. O. B. Ratliff die?

Don't know

Where did he reside at his death, and how long had he been a resident of Kentucky

at his death?

Pikeville Ky. Resided there all his life Except when in the army so far as I know

Sworn to before me for duty

Do you know of your own knowledge that applicant is the lawful widow of W. O. B. ratliff? *yes*

Has she remained unmarried since her soldier husband's death, and is she now his widow? *yes*

What property, effects or income has the applicant, if any, and how do you know this of your own knowledge? *Don't know*

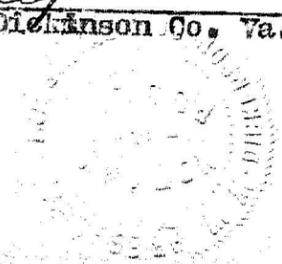
Has applicant conveyed any property, in the last two years or given any money, if so, what was it, and to whom? *Don't know of anything*

J. G. J. Hart

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 7 day of Oct 1926.

W. P. Peasley
Notary public Dickinson Co., Va.

My Commission expires Mar 14 1929.



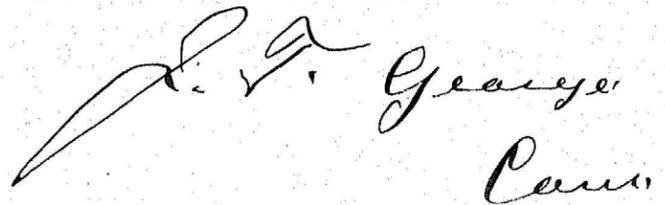
December, 1, 1926-

Mrs. W. O. B. Ratliff.
Pikeville, Ky.

My dear Madam:

Upon receipt of the report from the War Department at Washington, D. C. regarding the record of your husband in the Confederate army, which report gives your husband a good record as a Confederate soldier and I have allowed your pension as of this date. You will receive your first voucher and pension certificate about January 15th, 1927-

Very respectfully,


R. A. Geary
Com.