

(ORIGINAL)

## Soldier's Application for Pension

I, Shade Smith

am a citizen of Kentucky, resident at Euclid in the County of Knox

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 I 5th + 10th Ky Regiment

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 Was born in Perry Co Ky July 15th 1845

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

Answer August 1862 5th 10th Ky Regiment. General Humphrey Marshal  
Major Chewicourt Colonel Condit Captain Wm Smith

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

Answer Sick farewell about Jan 1865 Nicholasville Va

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

Answer No

Were you paroled? If so, when and where?

Answer Yes at Boonville Ky sometime in July 1865 while on sick leave at home  
on furlough came in Ky

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

Answer Yes

If so, when and under what circumstances?

Answer at Boonville Ky as above stated

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

Answer From a lute, about \$25<sup>00</sup> for the year

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

Answer none

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

Answer none

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 nothing

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 yes

If so, give his name and address?

Answer J. M. Boker, Hindman, Ky.

Witness my hand this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1912

WITNESSES: J. M. Boker, Physician P. O. ... Shade Smith

Postoffice Address ... Hindman Ky Street and No. (if any) ...

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

Postoffice Address ... Hindman Ky

Witness ...

Postoffice Address ... Cordia Ky

STATE OF KENTUCKY

... County ) I, Irving Napier, Judge of said County, certify that ... and his wife ... are assessed with .5.1 acres, valued at \$1000, and with \$200 of personal property.

Witness my hand this 17 day of July, 1912 ... Judge County Court.

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

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Kenton County } Personally appeared before me R. H. Amburgey  
Clk. Kenton County Court of said County, the above named Shade Smith  
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 17 day of June, 1912

R. H. Amburgey Clk. Kenton Co. Court  
By Jno. Stoker De

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Kenton County } Personally appeared before me R. H. Amburgey  
Clk. Kenton County Court of said County, the above named J. N. Duke  
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 Shade Smith

the applicant, and find him laboring under the following disabilities: Unable to earn a support by manual labor.

Rheumatism & suppurative

Witness my hand and seal of office, this 17 day of June, 1912

R. H. Amburgey Clk. Co.

(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

Kenton County } Personally appeared before me R. H. Amburgey  
Court Court Clerk of said County, the above named Dan Smith

and Nicholas Rich, 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.

We were with him and he was in army for at least 3 years was in several battles with us we know that he got a sick furlough at Nashville Tenn, about 1st year 1865,

Witness my hand and seal of office, this 17 day of June, 1912

R. H. Amburgey Clk. Co.

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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.

No. *3051*

STATE OF KENTUCKY

**Soldier's Application for Pension**

*Frank Smith*

Co. \_\_\_\_\_ Rgt. \_\_\_\_\_

Filed *SEP 10 1912*

Allowed \_\_\_\_\_

Read Specifications on Back.

SPECIFICATIONS

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

*Approved Oct 13<sup>th</sup> 1914*

*W. J. Stone* Commissioner.

All blanks on this filing to be filled by the Pension Board  
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*Filed June 17 1912  
in office court  
J. M. G. Phillips & Hill*



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WAR DEPARTMENT,

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

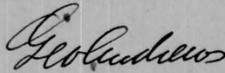
WASHINGTON, September 14, 1912.

Respectfully returned to the

Examiner,  
Confederate Pension Department,  
Frankfort, Kentucky.

The records show that Shadrach Smith, (name also borne as Shade Smith), private, Company I, 10th Kentucky Infantry, subsequently 13th Kentucky Cavalry, Confederate States Army, was enlisted August 20, 1863. On the roll of the company dated August 31, 1863, he was reported present, and on the roll dated December 31, 1863, last on file, he is shown to have deserted. No later record of him has been found.

The name Shade Smith has not been found on the rolls of any 5th Kentucky organization, Confederate States Army. Numerous members of the 5th Kentucky Mounted Infantry, Confederate States Army, later joined the 13th Kentucky Cavalry.



The Adjutant General.

Villebleville. Va  
January the 4. 1865 I grant to  
Shade Smith a 60 days furlow  
to go home as he is not able for  
servis and none of the Con federts  
powers is to be put in coming  
from Kentucky, William Smith  
Capt of Co. J

# ADMINISTRATOR'S BOND

## THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

WHEREAS, Joseph Combs,  
 has been appointed, by the Knott County Court Administrator  
 of Pollyan Smith, widow of Shade Smith, deceased, intestate:

NOW, WE Joseph Combs,  
 Administrator and Green Gayheart,

suret V do hereby covenant to and with the COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY,  
 in the penal sum of One Hundred (\$100.00), Dollars  
 that the said Joseph Combs,

will well and truly administer the goods, chattels, credits, and effects of said estate,  
 according to law, and will further make a just and true account of all his  
 actings and doings therein; and will well and truly make a proper distribution of any  
 surplus money, effects and rents which may come to his hands,  
 or to any one for him by color of his  
 office, to the persons entitled thereto. If it shall hereafter appear that a last Will or Testa-  
 ment was made by the deceased, and the same be proved and recorded, we further covenant  
 that the said Joseph Combs will in such case sur-  
 render his letters of administration; and that he  
 will account with and pay and deliver over to the Executor or Administrator with  
 the Will annexed, the assets in his hands unadministered.

This 16th. day of June, 1930

Joseph Combs,  
his  
Green x Gayheart  
mark

ATTEST:

Hattie Pigman,

Clerk Knott Court.  
 A true copy attest: Hattie Pigman Clerk, K. C. C.  
 By R. B. Kilgore D. C.  
 says he is a resident of the State of Kentucky,

that he is worth \$ \_\_\_\_\_ beyond the amount of his debts, and has property in  
 said State, subject to execution, of the value of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn to before me, by \_\_\_\_\_ this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
 of \_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_\_

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the Will annexed, the assets in \_\_\_\_\_ hands unadministered.

This \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk \_\_\_\_\_ Court.

\_\_\_\_\_ says he is a resident of the State of Kentucky,  
that he is worth \$ \_\_\_\_\_ beyond the amount of his debts, and has property in  
said State, subject to execution, of the value of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn to before me, by \_\_\_\_\_ this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_\_

KNOTT COUNTY COURT JULY TERM Est, day July 15th, 1912.

IN RE  
Shade Smith Application.

R.L.Morgan of Emalena, Knott County Kentucky, after being duly sworn states as follows: I am acquainted with Shade Smith and have known him for twenty years, he has lived continuously in this state for twenty years, he is not the owner of any real estate, he and his wife together own personal property worth about \$175.00 and his wife has no other property of any kind, and I consider him totally unable to make his support by manual labor, he has no trade or profession by which he can make his support or any visable means of support.

Joe A.Combs of Emalena Knott County Kentucky being duly sworn says I am acquainted with Shade Smith and have known him for about 20 years he has been a continuous resident of this state for about 20 years he does not own any real estate, he and his wife together own about \$175.00 worth of personal property, his wife owns no real or personal property except the personal property mentioned above and I consider him unable to earn his support by manual labor, he has no income of any kind or visable means of support.

STATE OF KENTUCKY

KNOTT COUNTY

I Irving Napier Judge of the Knott County Court do certify ~~de~~ that the above is the correct proof taken in the above pension case in open court at its regular July Term 1912 and that each of said witnesses were duly sworn before testifying to the same and that I recogmend the allowance of said claim.

Given under my hand as Judge of the Knott County Court this the 15th, day of July 1912.

*Irving Napier*  
Judge of the Knott County Court.

State of Kentucky,

Knott County,

The affiant Levi Nix states that he and Shade Smith served in the Confederate army together in the same company for a long while and during the late war in the same regiment. He knows that Shade Smith was released at Nicholasville Va. about January 1865, on sick furlough and started for home in Kentucky,. And I heard just a short time afterward that he was captured by the Yankees. Isaw him no more until after the war. He says that said Smith did not desert.

&--- *Levi<sup>Nix</sup> Nix*  
mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of  
July, 1913.

By *R. H. Amburgey* C.K.C.C.  
*G. C. Baker* D.C.

State of Kentucky,

Knott County,

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mark

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July, 1913.

By *R. H. Amburgey* C.K.C.C.  
*G. C. Baker* D.C.

State of N.Y.  
The affiant of  
James Guinon 26 years old is was born  
and raised in Perry Co. by was in the  
Confederate Army was Lieutenant under  
Captain William Smith Co. of the  
Kentucky Cavalry led by Col. Smith being  
in his own company he volunteered in  
1862 or 3 was with him the most of the  
time he never did desert Col. Smith was  
given a furlow to go home January 1865  
I never saw him any more after  
the Surrender

James Guin  
Sub Scribe an sworn to before me  
Aug. 1913 Justice of the P.C.  
George Allen

The affiant <sup>Stacy</sup> James States after being duly sworn states as follows, that he is 68 years old and lives near Hazard Perry County Kentucky, and that he ~~was~~ <sup>saw</sup> with Shade Smith, at the time he was arrested by the Union Army on Troublesom Creek in Perry County Kentucky, in the year of 1864, <sup>or 1865</sup> and that the said Shade Smith was carried by the Union Army which I was a member of to Booneville Ky., as a prisoner and after staying at Booneville some time the said Shade Smith was released on a Payrole as a prisoner.

James Stacy

Subscribed and sworn to before me by James Stacy, this the 27th, day of August 1913.

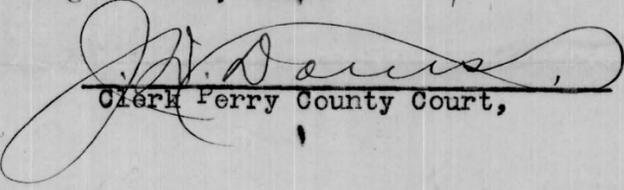
J. W. Davis  
Clerk Perry County Court,

State of Kentucky,

County of Perry,

I, J. D. Davis, Clerk of the County Court in and for the County and State aforesaid, do certify that George Allen whose Post office address is ~~is~~ Stacy Perry County Kentucky, is a Justice of the Peace of Perry County and that he has the right to administer oath to any one, as appears from the records of my said office.

Witness my hand this August 28th, 1913.

  
Clerk Perry County Court,

IN RE: APPLICATION SHADE SMITH FOR PENSION.

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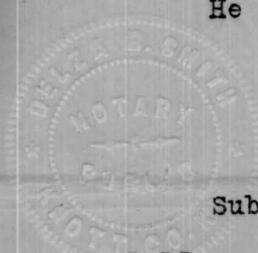
STATE OF KENTUCKY,

KNOTT COUNTY, SCT.

The applicant and affiant, Shade Smith, states that on the 4th day of January, 1865, he was granted a sixty days furlough at Nicholasville, Virginia, by his Captain, William Smith, on account of inability for service, to come to his home in Kentucky; and about two weeks after he arrived home he was captured by the Federal Army on Troublesome Creek, in Perry County, (now Knott County), Kentucky, and taken to Boonesville, Kentucky, and put in prison, and was kept there some time, and does not now remember how long; and took the oath of allegiance, was released, and made his way home to Troublesome Creek, and was there still unable for service, and before he did recover peace was made. That he actually served in the Confederate Army from the time he enlisted in 1862 or 1863, he cannot state positively which, until he was given this furlough above mentioned, and he never did desert from said army.

He files the original furlough as part of this affidavit.

Shade Smith Affiant.



Subscribed and sworn to before me by Shade Smith, August 30th,  
1913.

Delgo B. Smith, Notary Public  
My Commission expires Feby 24/1914

J. M. BAKER  
ATTORNEY & COUNSELOR AT LAW  
HINDMAN, KY.

June 9th 1914.

W. J. Stone, Com'r of Pensions,  
Frankfort, Ky.

Dear Captain:

I saw a letter you had written to R. H. Amburgey in regard to pension of Shade Smith, in which you say "of course that proves his service and absent without leave up to March 4th 1865, but as said above shows that he was absent without leave from that time on till the close of the war", now evidently you have overlooked this statement in the affidavit from which you have quoted, "was released and made his way home to Troublesome creek and was there ~~and~~ still unable for service, and before he did recover peace was made" and this "That he actually served in the Confederate Army from the time he enlisted in 1862 or 1863, he cannot state positively which, until he was given this furlough above mentioned, and he never did desert from said Army." Does not this make out a clear case, in the first place he was forced to take the oath of Allegiance while a prisoner and then on top of that he was disabled, sick and not able to get back to his company, and that Lee had surrendered before he did get able, this seems to me a good case, please let me hear from you in regard to this case at your earliest convenience. I would be glad if you would have your clerk mail me a list of all claims allowed in this Knott County.

Thanking you in advance, I am,

Your friend,

*J. M. Baker*

State of Ky.  
Knott County.

The affiant Shade Smith, in addition to, and supplemental to former affidavits given in this behalf, states that to the best of his recollection he was released from prison at Booneville, Ky. in the month of March, about the middle 1865, that he was there confined and sick and <sup>in a</sup> very dangerous condition, and thought he was going to die and in order to get released from the prison he was compelled to take the oath of allegiance to the Federal Government, and that when he returned home it was only about two weeks until he learned the war was over, that he did not recover from his sickness for about one year after he returned home.

*Shade <sup>his</sup> Smith.*

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Shade Smith August 3rd 1914.

*W. J. Francis,*  
Clerk Knott County Court,

February 28, 1919.

Pension Commissioner,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

Will you please inform me whether or not one  
Shade Smith, of Emmalena (Knott Co), Kentucky, ever made  
application for Federal pension, and if so, on what date, and  
oblige.

Yours truly,

Commissioner.

LCC

STATE OF KENTUCKY,  
COUNTY OF KNOTT,

The affiant Samuel Smith Jr. of Cordia Knott County Kentucky, after being duly sworn states as follows: I am 74 years old I volunteered in the confederate army in the year of 1863. I am now drawing a confederate pension, I served continuously from the time I enlisted until peace was made, I am acquainted with Shade Smith and have been every since I can remember we are first cousins, he and I served together both in company I. of the 10th. Kentucky Regiment of the confederate army until General John Morgan started his raid into Kentucky, from Virginia, while on this raid Shade Smith deserted the confederate army near the mouth of caney creek in Floyd County Kentucky and went to the Union Army and volunteered his services and remained with the Union Army until peace was made. He has been an active Republican every since the Civil War

Samuel Smith Jr Affiant

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Samuel Smith Jr. March  
20th. 1919.

Curtis Pigman clerk Knott county court

By, Grant Combs D.C.

State of Kentucky,

Knott County,

The affiant Simon Combs of Cardia Knott County Ky, after being duly sworn states as follows; I am 76 years old. I enlisted in the Confederate Army in the year of 1862, and served continuously with the Confederate army until disbanded after peace was made. I am acquainted with Shode Smith and have known him ever since we were small boys. he belonged to the Confederate army and served in the same Regiment. He belonged to Co. I and I belonged to Co. C, both of the 10<sup>th</sup> Kentucky Infantry Regiment. He deserted the Confederate army about two years before peace was made and went to the Union Army and volunteered and went with them continuously until peace was made. He has been precinct Chairman of this precinct a number of times for the Republican party and also have a number of times <sup>been</sup> appointed by the Republican party as precinct election officer of this precinct

Sworn to before me by  
Simon Combs molch  
20<sup>th</sup> 1919.  
att. E. D. Hart  
Alex Combs

Simon <sup>his</sup> Combs  
<sub>mark</sub>  
Curtis Pizman  
Clerk Knott County Court  
By Grant Combs D.C.

State of Kentucky.

Knott County.

The affiant Nicholas Ritchie  
of Ritchie Knott County Ky.,  
after being duly sworn states as  
follows: I was a Confederate  
soldier during the Civil war.  
I am acquainted with Shade  
Smith who served in the Confed-  
erate army under the same Comm-  
and with me, until some time  
before peace was made he deserted  
the Confederate army and remain-  
ed away from the <sup>Confederate</sup> army. It has  
always been my understanding that  
he joined the Union army and  
was with them when peace was  
made

Nicholas <sup>his</sup> Ritchie  
<sub>mark</sub>

Sworn to before me by  
Nicholas Ritchie March, Curtis Pigman, C. K. C.,  
20<sup>th</sup> 1919.

W. A. Combs

By Grant Combs  
D.C.

State of Kentucky  
Knott County

The affiant Martin Gayheart of Cordia Knott County Ky, after being duly sworn states as follows: I am 74 years old, I was a Confederate Soldier during the Civil war, I am acquainted with Shade Smith and have been ever since & can remember, he and I served together in the Confederate army about one year, until he deserted the Confederate army and went to the Union Army and volunteered his services to the Union Army and remained with them until peace was made, he has ever since been an active republican, he deserted the Confederate army about two years before peace was made

Martin Gayheart

Sworn to before me by  
Martin Gayheart March  
20<sup>th</sup> 1919.

Curtis Pegman  
Clerk Knott County Court

By Grant Combs  
D.C.

March 26, 1919.

Shade Smith,

Emmalena, Ky.

Dear Sir:-

There have this day been filed in your case five affidavits which prove beyond question that when you deserted the Confederate army in December, 1862, that you joined the Federal Army and remained with it till the close of the war, which shows plainly that your statements and the statements made by your witnesses, upon which your application was allowed, are not true, and your name is hereby dropped from the pension roll as of February 1st, 1919.

Very truly,

Commissioner.

WJS-C

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

COUNTY OF KNOTT,

The affiant Elijah Fuller of Emmalena Knott County Kentucky, states as follows: I enlisted in the Confederate Army at Whitesburg Letcher County Kentucky, Sept. 6th. 1862. while I were with the Confederate Army I belonged to Co.s. B. and C. of the 13th. Kentucky Calvary. I am personal acquainted with Shade Smith who is now drawing a pension from the state of Kentucky under the claim that he was a faithful confederate soldier during the civil war. Shade Smith enlisted in the Confederate Army sometime during the year of 1862, after serving for sometime with the Confederate Army I deserted and volunteered my services to the Union Army, while I was on duty with the Union Army, I learned that Shade Smith, had deserted the Confederate Army, and later I saw him quite often doing duty with the Union Army, Shade Smith, and I have been active republicans ever since the war, Mr. Smith has often been chosen as an election officer by the republican party for this precinct.

Elijah Fuller Affiant. AK

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Elijah Fuller, March 21, 1919.

Curtis Pigman, Clerk Knott County Court

By, Grant Combs D.C

April 18, 1919.

J. M. Baker,  
Hindman, Ky.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of yours of the 9th inst., and am forwarding you copies of the affidavits filed, of which I told Shade Smith in my letter.

Any proof that he may furnish to refute the statements made in these affidavits will be given due consideration.

Yours truly,

Commissioner.

Encls.  
WJS-C

State of Ky

county of Knott

the affiant nicklos richie of richie Ky

after being duly sworn states upon his oath that grant combes and W.A. combes did come to him about march the 20th 1919 and ask him to make an affidavit in regards to shade smiths confederate pension claim i did tell them that me and shade smith served in the confederate army together untill some time before peace was made and as to shade smith deserting the confederate army i do not know and as to him joining the union army i have no recollection that i ever heard of it untill W.A. combes or grant combes one named it when they came to get my affidavit in the a bove named claim and as to the affidavit preported to have bin made and signed by me before grant combes is incorrect i never autherised him to write the statements and if they was wrote as is shown in the affidavit when i signed it was not to my

Knowledge nor was not authorized by me  
the affiant states that he is the same Nicholas Richie that  
signed Shade Smiths application for pension

Subscribed and sworn to before me <sup>by Nicholas Richie</sup>  
this April the 30th 1919 <sup>by Nicholas Richie</sup>

~~Wm~~  
Curtis Pigman Clerk  
by Wm Roberts DC

Nicholas  
Richie

County of Knott  
State of Ky

the affiant Eligah fuller of Emmalena Ky  
~~states~~ first being duly sworn states as  
follows my age is 74 years the affiant  
states that he never did state in an affidavit  
before grant combes that Shade Smith did  
inlist in the union army i stated before combes  
that i saw him at boonwill Ky with  
the <sup>union</sup> republican army i do not know  
Whether he was a soldier or a  
prisoner i never saw him with any  
gun

Eligah fuller  
Subscribed and sworn to before me  
by Eligah fuller this April the 30th day  
1919  
Curtis Pigman clerk  
by Wm Roberts DC

Emmadesia Ky  
Mr W J. Stone just received  
your letter stating that  
five witnesses has sworn  
that I belong to the federal  
army which is not soe  
and I can give you just  
as many witnesses as you want  
that they have swore aly  
please give me the names of  
the witnesses that swore this  
please let me hear from you  
By return mail yours truly  
Grade Smith

Mr W J. Stone I want you to  
search the federal roll book  
when these witnesses swore  
that I belong and see if you  
can find my name  
Grade Smith

Emmalena, Ky.

Emmalena Ky Apr 25 1919  
 Mr. W. S. Stone I am sending you  
 a check to pay you for them 5  
 copies of affidavits it seems as they are  
 mighty strong in politics all ways  
 vote for the man I voted for governor  
 Stanley Bebau he was the son  
 of a Confederate soldier I voted for  
 president Wilson Bebau I think  
 he was the vile man and I will show  
 you by good old citizenship of Knott  
 and vicinity that I never was  
 with the federal army in my life  
 only when I was a prisoner  
 yours Shade Smith

April 28, 1919.

Shade Smith,

Emmalena, Ky.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of yours of the 25th inst. enclosing  
 a check for \$1.25, made payable to me. I am returning the check  
 to you because you do not owe me anything, and I will not accept  
 from you pay for any services rendered. You owe this \$1.25 to Mr.  
 L. C. Crutcher, who made copies of these affidavits for you, and  
 you can enclose him a check for the amount.

I note that you say that it seems ~~that~~ the men who  
 made those affidavits are strong on politics. Now I want to say  
 to you that politics cuts no figure and has no influence in the  
 administration of the affairs of this office. The only things I  
 deal with is a man's residence, his military record, and the  
 amount of property he owns, and as said to Mr. Baker in a former  
 letter, all evidence that you present relative to your military  
 record will be given full and fair consideration as promptly  
 as possible when it is presented.

Very truly,

Commissioner.

Hazard, Ky.  
State of Ky county of Knott  
the affiant Simon Combes of corda  
Knott county Ky after being duly sworn  
states my age is 76 years

W. A. Combes and Grant Combes came to  
my place and ask me for my affidavit  
which I made before Grant Combes I  
never did state before Combes that Shade  
Smith enlisted his service to the union  
army I told them that  
Smith was gone for a while  
while from my company before  
peace was made

Simon <sup>his</sup> Combes  
subscribed and sworn to before  
me by Simon Combes this April  
the 30th day 1919

Curtis Pigman clerk  
by Wm Roberts DC

Hazard, Ky.  
State of Kentucky  
county of Knott  
the affiant Martin Gayheart of corda Ky  
after being duly sworn states my age  
is 74 years W. A. Combes and Grant Combes  
came to my house and told me that they  
was authorized by the Pension Commissioner  
to take affidavits in regard to Shade  
Smiths Pension and did take my  
affidavit in regard to same and a  
part of the affidavit reported to have been  
made before Combes is true and correct  
and a part of it has been added as to  
Shad Smith volunteering his service to  
the union army is added and untrue  
I never made any such statement

Martin Gayheart  
subscribed and sworn to before me by  
Martin Gayheart this April the  
30th 1919  
Curtis Pigman clerk  
by Wm Roberts DC



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Hazard, Ky.

Brutt 60

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The affiant Gabriel Grigsby  
 Persady appears before me and states on  
 oath that Grant Combs & W.A. Combs  
 came to him and wanted him to  
 swear a just Side Smith concerning  
 his Pension as to all that I know  
 nothing against him to swear. I told them  
 that one and Shade Smith was in the  
 Confederate army to gether a considerable time  
 in the later end of the war was captured a  
 Prisoner in Missouri and I never knowed of  
 Shade Smith joining the federal army. I  
 know

Gabe ~~mark~~ <sup>his</sup> Grigsby

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
 this the 3 day of May. 1919.

by

Curtis Pigman, Clerk of Brutt Co.  
 by G.S. Combs H.C.



PHONE 36

West Liberty

Hazard, Ky., Bratt Co 1919

The affiant yackerah yugate Personal  
 appears before me and states on oath  
 that he served in the Confederate army  
 with Shade Smith a considerable time to  
 Gatties and Grant Combs came to him  
 and me many questions about Shade  
 Smith's service in the army and told  
 him that in the Gatties and of we were  
 separate and I never knew of Shade  
 Smith joining the federal army and when  
 I was discharged I came home and Shade  
 Smith was at home and staid all night  
 with <sup>him</sup> before I took the oath of allegiance.

yackerah X yugate  
 Subscribed and Sworn <sup>to</sup> before me  
 this 3 day of May 1919.

Curtis Piggson Clerk of Bratt Co  
 by J. S. Combs H. C. of Bratt Co

State of Kentucky Knott County  
 The affiant Daniel Smith of Cary Knott  
 County Kentucky after being duly sworn  
 states as follows I am eighty years old  
 my occupation a farmer I was a confederate  
 nearly through the civil war I am  
 drawing a confederate pension I know  
 Shade Smith well both belong to  
 the same company Company J of the  
 13 Kentucky Regiment Shade Smith  
 joined the confederate army August  
 Sixty three he was with me nearly  
 all the time he was my nearest ne-  
 bor so that he never joined the  
 federal army and the affidavits made  
 against him is untrue and not so

Daniel <sup>the</sup> Smith  
 Subscribed and sworn to before <sup>me</sup>  
 May the 3 1919 City Pigeon Clerk of Knott Co  
 by J. S. Lambie Deputy

The affiant Samuel Smith first being duly sworn states as follows my age is 74 years my post office is corda Ky the affiant states that he did not state before grant combes that shade Smith went and volunteered his service to the union army

Samuel Smith J. F.

Subscribed and sworn to before me by  
Samuel Smith J. F. this may the 9th 1919  
Curtis Pigman clerk  
by Wm Roberts, D. C.

Hiram combes first being duly sworn states as follows my age is 78 years my post office is fifty Ky i am acquainted with shade Smith & have <sup>known</sup> since before the civil war shade Smith served in the confederate army with me some time during the war i do not remember how long before peace was made i understood that Smith was captured by the union soldiers and taken to boonville Ky i never did hear that shade Smith enlisted his service to the union army and if he had i believe that i would have heard of it before now

Hiram <sup>his</sup> combes <sup>mark</sup>

Subscribed and sworn to before me by  
Hiram combes this may the 9 day 1919  
Curtis Pigman clerk  
by Wm Roberts D. C.

J. M. BAKER  
COUNTY ATTORNEY  
HINDMAN, KY.

MAY 14th 1919.

Capt. W.J. Stone,  
Frankfort, Ky.  
Dear Sir:

In re Shade Smith.

I herewith enclose you several affidavits in the matter of Shade Smith pension.

I personally know that W.A. Combs is mad at Shade because he was a witness against him in a suit pending in the Knott Circuit court, I was Mr Combs lawyer, the deputy clerk who signs the affidavits as being sworn to before him and upon which his pension was stopped is a son of Mr Combs. I also send you affidavits showing this fact. You need no other proof than to take a look at the furlough granted Mr Smith I think in Jan 1865 it shows, which is filed with his application, this absolutely contradicts the affidavits granting that the parties made them which they swear they did not. If any further evidence is required by you to convince you he should be reinstated, let us know he can get many others.

Very respectfully,

J.M. Baker.

State of Kentucky

Knott County.

The affiant Shade Smith states that he was a witness against W.A. Combs in a suit pending lately in the Knott Circuit of himself against John L. Combs and that ever since said Combs has been doing all he can against this affiant and saying that he would stop my pension. Henry Engle was also a witness against him in the same case and he said he was going to have his pension stopped.

*Shade Smith*

Sworn to before me by Shade Smith May 14 1919.

*B. C. Napier*  
my Commission expires 1/26/22 Notary Public of Knott County

Irving Napier states that he is exCo. Judge of Knott county and is acquainted with the general reputation of W.A. Combs in the neighborhood in which he lives and that it is bad.

He further states that said Combs is mad at Shade Smith because he was a witness against him in a law suit between himself and John L. Combs.

*Irving Napier*

Sworn to before me by Irving Napier May 14 1919

*B. C. Napier, N. P. K. C.*



County of Knott State of Ky

The affiant Sam Smith of fifty Ky  
 personally appears before me and state on  
 oath that I am 71 years old I am a brother to  
 Shade Smith he was a born federal soldier  
 in the civil war he joined the army  
 August Sixty 3 and I know that Shade  
 Smith never was in the federal army  
 and I know that the affidavits made a  
 gainst him is untrue and that so I never  
 heard of such a thing tell the affidavits  
 were filled against him

Sam<sup>th</sup> Smith

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
 May the 3 1919 Curly Pignum Clerk of Knott Co  
 by J. S. Combs J. C. City