

ORIGINAL

Questions for Applicant

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Madison County.

Bettie Duerson 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 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.) Bettie Duerson Richmond Madison County Kentucky P.O. No 1
2. How long and since when have you been a resident of this State? born and resided here continuously
3. When and where were you born and what was your maiden name? Born in Madison County Ky. November 19th 1856 Bettie Hogan
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 Madison County Ky April 23. 1845 Married at my fathers home in Madison County Ky. May 20 1875 ceremony performed by Rev J. M. Lutz
5. When and where and in what Company and Regiment did your husband enlist or serve during the war between the States? Enlisted at Richmond Ky in 1862. Company Joe Cavanaugh Capt. Walter Cavanaugh Col.
6. How long did your husband serve in said Company and Regiment? served until captured with Morgan in Ohio 1868
7. When and where did your husband's Company and Regiment surrender? near Buffing Island Ohio 1868
8. Was your husband present at the time and place when his Company Regiment surrendered? Yes
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? with command
10. When and where did your husband die? near Richmond Ky February 19th 1914
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? no real estate about five hundred dollars worth of personal property, no income except what can make from personal labor
14. Have you a family? If so, who compose such family? Four children W.B. Duerson 38 years of age Mrs. D.A. McLeod Mrs. D.P. Merrill. Lovie Duerson 19 years of age The last named is the only one that resides with me and only means of support.
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. Gov James B McCreary. R.R. Burnham Richmond Ky.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this, the 12th day of March 1914
H. B. Geniel Clerk
of Madison County.

Bettie Duerson

Questions for Witnesses

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Madison County.

Joel W. Maupin, of said State and County, having been presented as a witness in support of the application of Mrs. Bettie Duerson 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. Maupin Kingston Ky.
2. Are you acquainted with the applicant, Mrs. Bettie Duerson
If so, how long have you known her? yes - forty years or more
3. Where does she reside, and how long and since when has she been a resident of this State?
near Richmond Ky continuously for last forty years or more
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 young manhood near fifty years
7. When and where did W. T. Duerson enlist in the war between the States, and in what Company and Regiment did he enlist, and how do you know this? 1862 near Richmond Ky company - Joe Chensault Captain Colonel Walter Chensault
8. Were you a member of the same Company and Regiment at the close of the war?
same Regiment, different Company
9. How long did he perform regular military duty? active service about eleven months in prison together about nineteen months
10. When and where was his Company and Regiment surrendered? 1863 near Buffington Island Ohio General Morgans command
11. Were you with the command when it surrendered? yes
12. Was W. T. Duerson, the husband of applicant, present?
yes
13. If not present, where was he?
14. When and where did he leave his command?
For what cause?
By whose authority did he leave?
How do you know all this? (State fully and clearly.) I was captured at same time and went to prison with him
15. When and where did W. T. Duerson die?
near Richmond Ky February 1914
16. Where did he reside at his death, and how long had he been a resident of Kentucky at his death?
Resided near Richmond Ky and had been all his life
17. Do you know of your own knowledge that applicant is the lawful widow of W. T. Duerson?
yes

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

Yes

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

Do not know

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

Do not know

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.

Merideth C Perkins answers all questions answered by Maupin or to service, was in same Regiment and Company with Duerson.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

day of _____ 191_____

J. W. Maupin

Merideth C Perkins

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. _____ Judge.
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 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 sub-
scribed.

Witness my hand and official seal this _____ day of _____, 191_____

(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. 2951

**Widow's
Indigent Pension**

Name

Bettie Querson

Filed

AUG 7 - 1914
JULY 22 - 1914

Widow of

W. J. Querson

Allowed Oct 15th 1914

W. J. Stone
Commissioner

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

J. H. L. and
Clairmont

File no. 1938960

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
MAY 28 2169445 1914
WAR DEPARTMENT

WAR DEPARTMENT,
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
2169445 WASHINGTON, May 29, 1914.

Respectfully returned to the
Examiner,
Confederate Pension Department,
Frankfort, Kentucky.

The name W. T. Duerson has not been found on the rolls, on file in this office, of Company B (Captain Joseph Chenault), 11th Regiment Kentucky Cavalry, C.S.A. (Colonel D. W. Chenault), and no record has been found of the service, capture or parole of a man of this name and organization.

For record of one Thompson Duerson, private of the company and regiment named, attention is invited to a communication from this office, addressed to the Examiner, Confederate Pension Department, Frankfort, Kentucky, under date of July 29, 1912.

W. J. Stone

The Adjutant General.

Form No. 70, A. G. O.
Ed. May 10-13-75,000.

Indorsement.

PENSION EXAMINER'S OFFICE.

FRANKFORT, KY.

BETTY DUERSON
WIDOW OF
W. P. DUERSON,

Who enlisted Sept. 10, 1862, in Co. B, 11th Kentucky Cav. Captured July 19, 1863, in Ohio, and released Feb'y. 6, 1865, at Camp Douglass, Ill. upon taking the oath of allegiance. Proven by the record. Proof filed August 7, 1914, brings her within the provisions of the pension law which was approved Mch. 18, 1914.

Property: \$500.00.

Approved:

W J Stone.

No. S

HEADQUARTERS

Confederate Pension Department

W. J. STONE, EXAMINER
FRANKFORT, KY.

July 24, 1912.

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

Dear Sir:

W. T. Duerson,

who is an applicant for Pension under the Kentucky Pension law, claims to have been a member of Company 11th Kentucky Cavalry Regiment Cavalry C. S. A., and to have been

Col. Walter Chenault

Capt. Joseph Chenault

Please give me the record of this soldier.

Respectfully,

W. J. Stone

Examiner.

No. W.

HEADQUARTERS

Confederate Pension Department

W. J. STONE, EXAMINER

FRANKFORT, KY.

MAY 26 1914

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

Dear Sir:

Mrs. *Bettie Duerson*

who is an applicant for pension under the Kentucky Widows' Pension Law,
claims that her husband *W. T. Duerson*

was a member of Company Regiment *11th Ky* C. S. A.,

and was *Jos Chevant, Capt*

Col. Walter Chevant

Please give me the record of this soldier.

Respectfully,

W. J. Stone
Examiner.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

1938960

WAR DEPARTMENT

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

WAR DEPARTMENT,
1939860

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, July 29, 1912.

Respectfully returned to the

Examiner,
Confederate Pension Department,
Frankfort, Kentucky.

The records show that Thompson
Duerson (name W. T. Duerson not found)
private, Company E, 11th Kentucky
Cavalry, Confederate States Army,
enlisted September 10, 1862, and
that he was captured July 19, 1863,
at Buffington Island, Ohio, and re-
leased February 6, 1865, at Camp Dou-
glas, Illinois, on taking the oath of
allegiance.

Henry P. Cain
Adjutant General.
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MADISON COUNTY COURT.
May Term, May 4, 1914.

In the matter of Mrs. Bettie Duereson, widow of W. T. Duereson, application for a pension.

Now comes D. A. McCord, of Richmond, Ky., and J. D. Simmons, of Richmond, Ky., who after being duly sworn state that they know the applicant Mrs. Bettie Duereson; that she is now the widow of W. T. Duereson; that she is now, and has been a citizen and an actual bona fide resident of Madison County, in the State of Kentucky continuously since long prior to Jan. 1, 1907; that she was married to said W. T. Duereson long prior to Jan. 1, 1890; that she is unable to earn a support by manual labor or by reason of her knowledge, art or skill in any profession, trade or craft; that she has no property of any kind and no income; that her husband is dead and that she has no support of any kind provided for and secured by reason of a contract or agreement for a valuable consideration with any person able to provide such support.

It is certified that the witnesses hereto, D. A. McCord, J. D. Simmons, J. W. Maupin and Meridith Perkins are reputable persons, and entitled to credit

WHEREFORE it is recommended as far as the duty of this Court goes that the said applicant, Mrs. Bettie Duereson is entitled to a pension under an act of the General Assembly, approved by the governor March 4, 1913.

W. B. Mackelford
Judge of the Madison County Court.

AFFIDAVIT OF JOHN A. DUERSON.
IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
FOR A PENSION OF MRS BETTIE
DUERSON?WIDOW OF W.T. DUERSON.

The affiant, John A. Duerson, states he is a resident of Madison County Ky, and is seventy nine years of age, that he is a brother of W.T. Duerson, deceased, who was a soldier in the confederate army, and remembers distinctly when he came home after having been paroled.

Affiant says, that the physical condition of W.T. Duerson, whose widow is an applicant for a pension under the act granting pensions to indigent and disabled soldiers and the widows of confederate soldiers, when he returned home was very bad, he being much worn and emaciated, from sickness and starvation.

Affiant says, that he has heard W.T. Duerson say upon his return from the army, that he took the oath of allegiance, because it was necessary to save his life and health, on account of the conditions existing ~~at~~ at the prison, where nearly all who were confined therein were starved, that he was to this affiant's knowledge, a loyal confederate, and true to the cause when he returned, and remained so until his death.

John A. Duerson

Subscribed and sworn to before me by John A. Duerson,
this the 25 day of July 1914.

R. B. Perine
Clerk of County Court

April, 26, 1932-

Gen. N. B. Deathereage,
Richmond, Ky,

My dear Sir:

Your, letter informing us of the death of Mrs. Bettie Duerson on March, 2nd has been received. There is due her estate \$21.35 being accrued pension, from February 1st to March 2nd inclusive, and I inclose information as to how this amount may be collected, Mr. Oliver Cosby was on our pension roll, and we had been notified of his death,

Very Truly,

Comm.