

## Soldier's Application for Pension

I, Auston Combs

am a citizen of Kentucky, resident at Hazard in the County of Perry

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 "I", 10<sup>th</sup> Kentucky Mtd. Infantry

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 Perry County, Kentucky, 1849

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

Answer About 1863 in Co. "I", 10<sup>th</sup> Ky. Mtd. Infantry. Benjamin Caudill was Colonel, Jesse Caudill Lieut-Col; Thomas Chewwith Major; W. M. Smith was Captain of Co "I" and George Hawk and Isaac Smith were Lieutenants

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

Answer I was an detached soldier at the close of the war and did not get back to my Regiment; in Floyd County, Ky.

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

Answer No

Were you paroled? If so, when and where?

Answer No

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

Answer No

If so, when and under what circumstances?

Answer .....

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

Answer Gardening; About \$100.00 per 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 About \$150.00.

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 John Baker, Hazard, Ky.

Witness my hand this 26th day of April, 1912.

WITNESSES:

John Baker, Hazard, Ky., Physician, P. O. Hazard, Ky. Street and No. (if any).

John Baker, Hazard, Ky., Witness R. F. D. (if any).

C. A. Eversole, M.D., Physician, Hazard, Ky., Witness.

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Barry County } I, J. S. Campbell, Judge of said County,

certify that Austin Lamb and his wife are

assessed with .00 acres, valued at \$.00.00, and with \$305.00 of personal property.

Witness my hand this 27th day of September, 1912.

J. S. Campbell, Judge County Court.

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

STATE OF KENTUCKY

*Prany* County } Personally appeared before me...  
*A. Notary Public* of said County, the above named *Auston Couler*  
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 *26<sup>th</sup>* day of *April*, 191*2*  
*Jas. D. Wood Notary Public P.B.*  
*Com. ex. 2/24/14*

STATE OF KENTUCKY

*Prany* County } Personally appeared before me...  
*A. Notary Public* of said County, the above named *G. A. Console*  
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 *Auston Couler*  
the applicant, and find him laboring under the following disabilities: Unable to earn a support by manual labor.

*That he is suffering with Rheumatism and general debility on account of his age. That he is personally acquainted with the applicant and knows that he has no estate for his support and is incapable of laboring for his support.*

Witness my hand and seal of office, this *26<sup>th</sup>* day of *April*, 191*2*  
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(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

*Prany* County } Personally appeared before me...  
*A. Notary Public* of said County, the above named *Jerry Walker*  
and *John Baker*, 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 *Confederate* army.

State here what witnesses know of their own knowledge.

*That they were both members of the same Company and Regiment at the applicant and served with him and live near neighbors to him and know applicants testimony to be true.*

Witness my hand and seal of office, this *26<sup>th</sup>* day of *April*, 191*2*  
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No. 1650

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Soldier's Application for Pension

AUSTON COMBS

Co. "I" - 10th Ky. Wtd. Inf'y? Rgt.

Filed JANUARY 25, 1913

Allowed

Read Specifications on Back.

SPECIFICATIONS

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Approved by W. B. 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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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

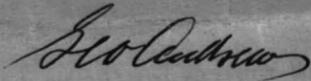
WASHINGTON, January 28, 1913.

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Respectfully returned to the

Examiner,  
Confederate Pension Department,  
Frankfort, Kentucky.

The records show that Austin Combs, private, Company I, 13th Kentucky Cavalry, Confederate States Army, was enlisted August 29, 1863, and on the muster roll for August 31 to December 31, 1863, (last on file), he is reported present. No later record of him has been found.



The Adjutant General.

(A. G. O. 74)

Indorsement

Confederate Pension Department

STATE OF KENTUCKY

FRANKFORT,

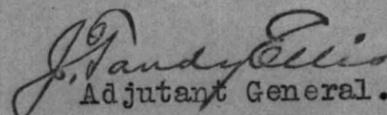
AUSTON COMBS.

Enlisted Aug. 29, 1863, in Company I, 13th Kentucky Cav. There is record proof of service to Dec. 31, 1863, and comrades testify that he served till the close of the war.

Indigent.

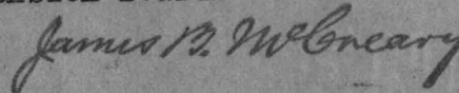
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I recommend that this claim be allowed.



Adjutant General.

Allowed by the State Pension Board.



Chairman.

No. \_\_\_\_\_ S. \_\_\_\_\_

HEADQUARTERS

# Confederate Pension Department

W. J. STONE, EXAMINER  
FRANKFORT, KY.

January 25th, 191 5

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

Dear Sir:

Auston Combs

who is an applicant for Pension under the Kentucky Pension law; claims  
to have been a member of Company "I" - 10th Kentucky  
Regiment Mounted Infantry C. S. A., and to have been

Please give me the record of this soldier.

Respectfully,

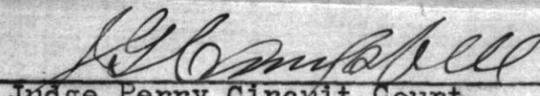
*W. J. Stone*  
Examiner.

Perry Circuit Court .

Be it known that at the ~~JUNE~~<sup>May</sup> Term, 1912, of the Perry County Court the within application of Austin Combs for Pension was filed in this Court, and after same had lain over the proper~~xxx~~ time, and until the July Term, 1912, of said Court, came the County Attorney of Perry County, and also appeared Jerry Walker and John Baker, witnesses, who testified in substance as follows :-

That they were soldiers and comrades of said Austin Combs and have known him intimately ever since the war ; that he was a valiant soldier, and since then has been and is a man of good character ; that they live close neighbors to him, and they know that he is unable to earn a support by manual labor, that he is not skilled in any trade or profession by which he can earn a support for himself and family ; that he has not income amounting to as much as \$300.00 per year, and that his property does not amount to as much as \$2500.00 or near that amount ; that his wife has no money or property from which she derives any income ; that he has no contract or agreement with anyone by which his support is obtained, and that he receives no pension from the United States or any foreign Government . That he has been a resident of this State ever since the war, with the exception of a short time about 10 years ago, when he lived out of the State . That he has had a continuous residence in this County for the past ten or twelve years .

Witness my hand this the 8th day of July 1912.

  
Judge Perry Circuit Court .

April 4, 1913.

Mr. Austin Combs,

Hazard, Kentucky.

Dear Sir:-

Upon examination of the proof filed with your application for pension I find the record shows your enlistment August 29, 1863, and your service to December 31, 1863. Two witnesses testify that they were members of the same company and regiment that you were, but there is no proof of the length of service and none as to how you got out of the army. Proof on these points necessary.

Get all the proof you can and forward to this office to be filed with your application and it will then be ready to be submitted to the Board for its final allowance or rejection, whichever it may be.

Yours truly,

Examiner.

WJS-C

State of Kentucky,

County of Perry .

On this the 24th day of August, 1913, before me, a Notary Public in and for Perry County, Kentucky, duly commissioned and qualified, in my County aforesaid, personally appeared Mart Gayheart and Simeon Combs, who after having been first duly sworn by me, say :

We are each of us acquainted with Austin Combs, the applicant ; we were confederate soldiers and served with the said Austin Combs in the Civil War ; we were not members of the same Company, but were in the same regiment with him, and we know that he served honorably from the time of his enlistment up until the close of the war ; when the war closed the said Austin Combs, together with ourselves, were with our respective Companies in Virginia ; when we heard the news of the surrender, and that the war had closed the companies just disbanded and each man took his way home ; when the news of the surrender came, Austin Combs, together with our Major and several others, had gone out on a scouting party, and we therefore did not see him on the very day that the regiment disbanded , but we know that he served continuously up until the close of the war .

We further state that we live near to the said Austin Combs and see him frequently ; that his life as a soldier during the war, and his life as a citizen since the war have been above reproach .

*W. A. Smith*  
*Tom Gayheart*

*Mart Gayheart*  
*Simeon Combs*

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Mart Gayheart and Simeon Combs, this the 24th day of August, 1913.

My commission as Notary Public will expire February 24th, 1914.

*Geo. D. Ward*  
Notary Public, Perry County, Ky.

Akron Colo.

April 1<sup>st</sup>. 14.

Mr. W. J. Stone.

Frankfort Ky.

Dear Sir:

My health has been bad for several years and I want to stay out here for my health till fall.

And would be very glad if you would send my Voucher to Akron Colo.

Yours Respectfully  
Austin Combs.

Akron Colo.

July 5<sup>th</sup>. 14.

Mr. W. J. Stone.

Frankfort Ky.

Dear Sir:

I am still here for my health and not able to work any. would be very thankful to you if you would send me another check as I want to come back.

Yours Resph.  
Austin Combs.

July 11th, 1914.

Austin Combs,

Akron, Colo.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of yours of the 8th. A check will be mailed in August to you at your present address, but I hereby give you notice that unless you return to Kentucky very soon, your name will be dropped from the pension roll before another payment.

Very truly,

Commissioner.

WJS-C