

Soldier's Application for Pension

I, W. Ike Davis

am a citizen of Kentucky, resident at Sanders in the County of Carroll

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 2nd Ky. Infantry (Orphan Brigade)

Co. A. Captain Aston Madeira

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 Carroll, Kentucky, 1832

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

Answer Enlisted 1861 2nd Ky. Roger Hanson, May Moss
Aston Madeira, A. Hair, Col. Hewitt, Sil Lee

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

Answer Paroled at Nashville Tenn. 1865 and put a cross line to Genl Ky and Parole taken from me

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

Answer Yes, Camp Morton Indianapolis Ind. - Escaped after three months stay and a short time after the fight at Ft. Donaldson and joined command at Jackson Miss.

Were you paroled? If so, when and where?

Answer Yes, 1865 at Nashville Tenn.

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 *None Black-Smith - formerly... earn nothing. Son provides for me*

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

Answer *None - \$200.*

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 *None*

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 - since 1832.*

Have you an attorney to look after this application?

Answer *No.*

If so, give his name and address?

Answer *(blank)*

Witness my hand this *13* day of *April* 191*2*.

WITNESSES: *Wife Davis*

R. M. Williams, Physician P. O. *Sanders Ky*

Postoffice Address *Sanders Ky* Street and No. (if any) *(blank)*

Gabriel R. Caldwell, Witness R. F. D. (if any) *(blank)*

Postoffice Address *Owerton Ky R. F. D. No 1*

A. H. Lucas, Witness

Postoffice Address *Monticny Ky*

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Carroll County } I, *F. P. Sebrer* Judge of said County,

certify that *W. M. Davis* and his wife *Davis* are

assessed with *1* lot... acres, valued at \$*100*..., and with \$*100*... of personal property.

Witness my hand this *6* day of *May* 191*2*.

F. P. Sebrer Judge County Court.

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

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Carroll County } Personally appeared before me, a Notary Public of said County, the above named W. Ike Davis 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 13 day of April, 1912.

R. H. Gussules Notary Public Commission expires Feb 4-1916

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Carroll County } Personally appeared before me, a Notary Public of said County, the above named R. M. Williams 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 W. Ike Davis the applicant, and find him laboring under the following disabilities: Unable to earn a support by manual labor.

Because of disability due to age

Witness my hand and seal of office, this 13 day of April, 1912.

R. H. Gussules Notary Public Commission expires Feb 4-1916

(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

Barren County } Personally appeared before me, a County Court Clerk of said County, the above named Gabriel R. Caldwell and W. H. Lucas, 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.

They state they were each comrades of the applicant, W. Ike Davis in the war between the states, and that they were members of the same Brigade, and they know that the said Davis served in said war for more than one year and that he did not at any time desert, and he was a good soldier and citizen in said war and is now a good citizen, and he is unable to earn a support for himself on account of his age and physical condition, and he deserves the aid he here applies for, and he is the identical person he represents himself to be.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this 22 day of April, 1912.

Walter White Clerk Barren County Court Owen Ky,

No. 2905

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Soldier's Application for Pension

Wm. M. Davis

Co. A - 2nd Regt. Ky. Rgt.

Filed JUN 17 1912

Allowed

Read Specifications on Back.

SPECIFICATIONS

1
2
3
4
5

Alvany
W. B. Stone Commissioner

All blanks on this form to be filled by the Pension Board
KENTUCKY STATE JOURNAL PUBLISHING CO., FRANKFORT, KY

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.



ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

JUN 20 1912
1926394

WAR DEPARTMENT

Address: "The Adjutant General's Office, Washington, D. C."

WAR DEPARTMENT, 1926394

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, June 21, 1912.

Respectfully returned to the

Examiner,
Confederate Pension Department,
Frankfort, Kentucky.

The records show that Wm. J. Davis (not found as W. Ike Davis), private, Company H, 2d Kentucky Infantry, Confederate States Army, enlisted August 9, 1861. On the muster roll for January and February, 1864 (last on file), he was reported "Deserted."

The prisoner-of-war records show W. I. Davis, said organization, captured at Fort Donelson, February 16, 1862, and escaped April 22, 1862.

Henry P. McLean
Adjutant General.

Indorsement.

PENSION EXAMINER'S OFFICE,

FRANKFORT, KY.

W. IKE DAVIS

Enlisted Aug. 9, 1861, in Company H, 2nd Kentucky Inf'y. and was captured Feb'y. 16, 1862, at Ft. Donelson and escaped April 22, 1862, which is proven by the records. Comrades testify that he re-joined his command and was later captured at Dalton, Ga. and imprisoned at Nashville, Tenn., from which prison he was later released on parole and was never exchanged.

Indigent.

Approved:

W J Stone.

W. J. Stone
Frankfort

Dear Sir, - I enclose another affidavit and can send you another one if necessary. The time I was marked "Deserted" I was in prison at Nashville & have sent this makes the 2d affidavit as to parole.

Yours W. Ike Davis

If other affidavits are necessary, I can furnish them.

Mr. Charles H. Day cannot write more owing to a recent attack of paralysis. For that reason he made his mark. I hope this will be sufficient testimony to establish the fact that I did not desert.

Henry W. The Davis
Sanclers Ky.

No. _____ S. _____

HEADQUARTERS

Confederate Pension Department

W. J. STONE, EXAMINER

FRANKFORT, KY.

June 18th, 1912

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

Dear Sir:

W. Ike Davis,

who is an applicant for Pension under the Kentucky Pension law, claims
to have been a member of Company "H" - 2nd Kentucky
Regiment Infantry C. S. A., and to have been
Orphan Brigade

Please give me the record of this soldier.

Respectfully,

W. J. Stone

Examiner.

STATE OF KENTUCKY, }
Carroll County Court. }

Regular *June* Term, 10th day of *June*, 1912.

In the matter of the Application of *W. L. Davis* for Pension.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that the application of

W. L. Davis for pension for services as a Confederate Soldier in the War of 1861 to 1865, between the United States and the Confederate States of America, was filed at the last regular *May* Term of this Court and ordered to lie over until this term for proof, and the Court having heard testimony in open court, and it having been proven by the testimony of the witnesses heard that said applicant is a resident of Carroll county, Kentucky, and has been a bona fide resident of Kentucky continuously since January 1, 1907, and has not means for his support, nor is it suitably provided for, and he is unable to earn his support by manual labor wholly, and has not the art or skill in any profession, trade or craft to earn a support and is now years of age, and has other disabilities as recited by the examining physician, and he is not a pensioner from the United States or any other State, and has not an income of \$300 per year, and his wife has not property sufficient for the support of himself and family, nor does the combined income from all sources amount to \$300 per year, and he has not property to the value of \$2,500, and that he served in said war for a longer period than one year, until it closed, and he never at any time deserted, and it further appearing that said application has been properly proven by witnesses whom I know to be reputable and entitled to credit; I as Judge of said Court, hereby recommend the allowance and payment of said pension, as provided by law, and so certify the same to the Adjutant General of the State of Kentucky.

Following is the substance of the testimony of each witness heard, together with his name and post office address, to-wit:

William Ike Davis, Sanders, Kentucky, testified as follows:

He has been a resident of Carroll County, Ky. all his life. Has no property, my wife owns no property and is blind. Have no income. Served in the Confederate Army from 1861 to 1865. Did not desert.

William Deatherage, Carrollton, Kentucky, testified as follows:

W. Ike Davis has been a resident of Kentucky, continuously, for the last thirty(~~30.00~~) years, to his knowledge. Has no property nor income.

Y. P. Schen

.....
Judge Carroll County Court.

Sanders Ky. 2/22/13

This certifies that My father
Scott Lundy, deceased, has told me
that he had seen a parole issued
to W. The Davis by Federal Official
at Nashville Tenn. in 1864. That
Willis Lundy saw Negro soldiers
force W. The Davis to cross the
Ohio River at Ghent in 1864.
That Scott Lundy lived in the
town of Ghent at the time
These statements I can make
by sworn affidavit.

Willis Lundy
Sanders

If this is not in
form, send me form
W. The Davis

Ky.

Sanders Ky. 5-12-13

Mr Lundy Ellis,
Frankfort.

Dear Sir:-

Will you please send
me my voucher for my pension
and greatly oblige me. If I have
been passed on and gone
through all right I am entitled
to a voucher. Will you treat
me with the courtesy of a reply
and give me information in
regard to the matter and greatly
oblige your friend

W. The Davis

Sanders Ky.

May 16th, 1913.

Mr. W. Ike Davis,
Sanders, Kentucky.

Dear Sir:-

Col. J. Tandy Ellis has handed me your letter of the 12th addressed to him. Your application has not yet been reached for consideration by the Pension Board, but Col. Ellis, as well as myself, is very anxious to get your claim in shape to be favorably considered by the Board.

You state in your application that you enlisted in the 2nd Kentucky Infantry in 1861, and that you were paroled at Nashville, Tenn. in 1865. Now, I will tell you what the record of the War Dept. shows as to your service. It shows that you enlisted August 9th, 1861, in Company H, 2nd Kentucky Infantry, and that your company muster roll for February, 1864, shows you marked "deserted". Your two witnesses, W. H. Lucas and Gabriel R. Caldwell, testify that they were members of the same brigade with you and that you served for more than a year. On February 26th, 1913, Mr. Willis Tandy made an affidavit in which he says that his father had told him that he had seen a parole issued to you at Nashville, Tenn. in 1864, and that he saw negro soldiers force you to cross the River at Ghent in 1864. Now, from this proof you will see that none of it corroborates your statement

that you were paroled in 1865 at Nashville. The affidavit of Mr. Tandy and the entry on the muster roll of your company would seem to indicate that you were in some manner or for some reason at Nashville, Tenn. in 1864 and also at home in Ghent in 1864. Now I am writing you thus fully about it in order that you may if possible furnish proof to show just how long you served and how and when you got out of the army, because under the law, if this record of the War Department cannot be shown to be incorrect, the Pension Board could not possibly grant you a pension. This entry of "desertion" made against a soldier's name is frequently an incorrect statement, but uncontradicted ofcourse the Pension Board would have to be governed by it. I am also writing you thus fully so that you will have an opportunity to get what proof you can as indicated and forward to this office to be filed with your application before the Pension Board has another meeting, or at least before the 5th day of next August. Because while the Pension Board may have meetings before that time, no Vouchers could be sent out for payment of pensions before that date, even if the Court should decide the law constitutional.

Hoping you may be able to get this matter all straightened out, I am

Very truly,

Sanders Deposit Bank.

CAPITAL STOCK & SURPLUS, \$16,000.00

G. W. DEATHERAGE, PRESIDENT
W. A. SHIRLEY, VICE PRESIDENT
R. H. TOWLES, CASHIER

Sanders, Kentucky May 24-1913

Mr W. J. Stone

Frankfort Ky.

Dear Sir:- Your letter of 16th May at hand and contents noted, in reply I wish to add more statement and correct an error of date. I was taken prisoner at Ft Donaldson and carried to Camp Morton where I was kept 3 months and escaped and went to Virginia and attached my self to the 4th Ky. Col Giltner, from which command I detached myself - turning my horse and accoutrements over to the Quartermaster and went with General Buehner & Roger Hanson by way of Mobile where Buehner stopped and Gen Hanson & I went to Jackson Miss. We remained at the Confederate House until the 2d Ky. was exchanged via Vicksburg Miss. where we reorganized, I was with this command and in every fight up to & including the battle of Chickamauga where I was taken prisoner - in this way. I was detailed as regimental blacksmith after the fight and with I and a comrade by name of Burch were put under Aleck Brawner - the wagon master, who lived in Frankfort Ky. We were busy working in a shop at Dalton Ga. A squad of Yankee Cavalry swooped down upon us and shot Burch through the arm

Sanders Deposit Bank

CAPITAL STOCK & SURPLUS, \$18,000.00

G. W. DEATHERAGE, PRESIDENT
W. A. SHIRLEY, VICE PRESIDENT
R. H. TOWLES, CASHIER

Sanders, Kentucky

and took me prisoner, carried Burch to hospital and took me to Nashville Tenn., where every inducement was offered me to take the oath. This I refused to do and they finally paroled me. After this I went to my home in Ghent Ky.. This was all in 1864. A gang of Negro troops - camped at Ghent took me prisoner and when I showed my parole they took it from me and destroyed it. They had a notion of shooting me but finally took me to the Ohio River and forced me to cross, with threats of killing me if I came back. My parole was seen by several before I was taken up by the Negro troops. As to the charge of desertion I most truly deny. I was never put in a guard house or placed on extra duty for infraction of rules. The lost cause, written by Geo. Mosgrove will bear me out in my statements and I refer you to it. I am getting old and after a period of near 50 years I cannot exactly remember dates. I was mistaken in my statement of 1865, as Mr Landy remembers the year I was put across the Ohio.

Yours Truly
Wm. Phe. Davis

J

Ghent, Ky. June 2^d 1913

This is to certify that in the year 1864 I saw Negro soldiers take a paper, ^{or parole} from W. the Davis on the river bank in the town of Ghent Ky., and force him to cross the Ohio River to DeWay Indiana, and threatening him if he returned.

~~W. H. Phelps~~
W. H. Phelps

Subscribed and sworn to before me
by W. H. Phelps - This June 2nd 1913

Wm. Deakins, Clerk Carroll County Court
By C. P. Scott D. C.

August 22, 1913.

Mr. W. Ike Davis,

Sanders, Kentucky.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of yours of the 19th in which you say you sent me two sworn affidavits by persons who saw your parole. I have received the affidavits of which you mention, in which one witness testifies that ~~his father~~ he heard his father say that he had seen a parole given to you and another witness testifies that he saw negro soldiers take a paper from you in 1864.

In face of the fact that the records of the War Dept. show on your company roll for February, 1864, that you had "Deserted", I am of the opinion, in order to make your case clear before the Pension Board, that further proof will be necessary.

Very truly,

Examiner.

WJS-G

Wesley Day of Gallatin Co., Ky.
was a soldier in the Union Army
during the years 1863-4-5 and knew
W. E. Davis before the war. I am
83 yrs old. I met W. E. Davis in
Cincinnati Ohio in 1864. He was on
his way home from Nashville Tenn.,
and said he was just out of prison
at Nashville Tenn. He pulled out
a parole and showed it to me,
and said it was his parole. I can
not read, but a comrade read it to me
and it was a parole from Nashville given
to W. E. Davis.

I, Matta D. Ellis, Notary Public for
The Co of Gallatin. Certify that on the
23rd of Aug 1913 appeared before me
Wesley Day and he acknowledged the above statement
to be true to the best of his knowledge & belief.
Matta D. Ellis, Notary Public
my Commission expires Mar 12-1916

Warsaw Ky. Sep. 4th 1913

I Chas H. Day of Warsaw
Gallatin Co. Ky. Do hereby certify
that I have known W. Eke Davis
for 50 or 60 years; That I was a
soldier of the Union Army and
was stationed at Louisville Ky. in
1864 doing guard duty. That W.
Eke Davis came down to the boat
on his road home and was stopped
at the landing and the Corporal
of the guard stopped him and
demanded his Pass. W. Eke Davis
pulled out a paper the Corporal
read it out and said this is a
parole given you at Nashville
and you can pass on board. I was
present and heard same read, and
read it myself after it was
read by the Corporal.

Signed

Chas. H. Day.

Attest J. K. Nesbit
Warsaw Ky

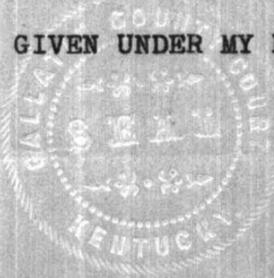
Attest Willis Landy.

STATE OF KENTUCKY
COUNTY OF GALLATIN (SCT)

I. J. K. NESBIT CLERK OF THE COUNTY COURT FOR THE COUNTY AND STATE AFORESAID

DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING INSTRUMENT OF WRITING WAS THIS DAY
PRODUCED TO ME IN SAID COUNTY AND DULY SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE
ME BY CHAS. H. DAY

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF SAID OFFICE THIS 4TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 1913



J. K. Nesbit

CLERK GAL. CO. CT.

Sanders Ky Nov. 25 1913

I, W. Ike Davis, was in the late war and
some time about October 1864 was put across the Ohio
at Ghent Ky by negro soldiers and my parole taken from
me by them, from there I went to Old Vernon Ind to my wife
and two boys, thence, to St. Paul Ind. where I was engaged
stone quarry until the close of the war, when I
removed to Ghent Kentucky and have lived in
Kentucky since that time

W Ike Davis

Subscribed and sworn to before me by W Ike Davis
this 25 day Nov. 1913 my commission expires Feb 5 1914

R N Williams

Notary Public Carroll Co.

Subscribed and sworn to
before me J. M. Gilbert
a notary public in and for
Carroll Co., Ky. this Feb. 26th 1913

J. M. Gilbert

My commission expires
January 17-1914

Jan 1st 1914

Sanders Ky.

Affidavit

When I arrived at Cincinnati and had shown my parole to Mrs. W. Day & others I started for Hillsboro I was arrested at Blauchester I showed my parole & was released. I went to Hillsboro & was arrested there. I was looking for my wife & two little boys that I had not seen for 5 years. I and 14 others started to go through South and were cut off at Mt Sterling & returned to where one John Ray & myself were arrested in Ghent Ky., by white soldiers. I offered my parole to the officer in charge and he would not look at it. I was then with John Ray carried to Lexington Ky., and put in prison. This occurred the latter part of the year 1864. I was kept in prison for 2 days and I showed my parole to the officer of the day who turned me loose after carrying me to the head officer. I then returned to Ghent where I was arrested by negro

Soldiers & my parole taken from me
& I was set across the river
W. Ike Davis

This is to certify that I and my
Bro Carter Carlisle were in prison
at Lexington Ky. with W. Ike Davis
in the Fall of 1864. That we were
well acquainted with W. Ike Davis
and that he was in the Confederate
Service and was arrested as a
Confederate Soldier in 1864
W. J. Carlisle Bro

I was wounded at Murfreesboro &
Chickamauga and was offered an
honorable discharge but refused
same & remained in the service
until captured & imprisoned at
Nashville where I got my parole,

E.C.SMITH

F.C.GREENE

LAW OFFICES
SMITH AND GREENE
CARROLLTON, KY.

Carrollton, Ky. July 14, 1914.

Capt. W.J.Stone,
Pension Department,
Frankfort, Ky.

Dear Sir, and friend:

I am very much interested in my old Confederate friend W.I.Davis, Sanders, Ky. He is an applicant for a pension, and while I know that you have a number of persons applying, there is no one who is more deserving, and no one who would be more delighted if you would grant his request. I am going to call on you the next time I am in Frankfort, and talk this W.I.Davis matter over with you personally.

I have known Mr.Davis from my early boyhood, and I believe he was true to the cause, and I know he is true to the memory of the politics that have been identified with the southern cause.

He is feeble and decrepit, he is poor in purse, he is needy and deserving, can't be here long, and therefore he will be dependent on the charity of the state for only a little while. The granting of this pension will be a great relief sent into an humble home, since his son is a very poor man, but he is doing all he can for his aged father.

Kindly take this matter up, and if there is any way in which it can be accomplished without doing violence to your conscience, please do it. Kindly let me know of the impediments if there are any, so that I may see about removing them. I write this letter out of my own personal interest in the welfare of Mr. Davis, for he is one of the truest friends that I ever had, and I know him to be worthy in every way.

With best wishes for your happiness, I am very respectfully,

Your friend,

Frank C. Greene

Sanders Ky. Aug. 19th 1913

Mr. J. Stone

Pension Examiner

Frankfort,

Dear Sir:- I have sent you two sworn affidavits that I had a parole that was taken from me by force and destroyed. If you require further proof, I have that of a Union soldier. Let me know please, whether you require any more evidence. I enclose stamped envelope for a reply.

Yours Truly

Wm Eke Davis
Sanders Ky.