

# Soldier's Application for Pension

I, Alex. Thompson

am a citizen of Kentucky, resident at Allendale in the County of Green

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 "F" - 4th Regiment of Kentucky Volunteers

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 Green County, Kentucky - about year 1845

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

Answer 1861 - Company "F" 4th Regiment Ky. - Col. Frazer, Capt. Moore, also Col. Nuckles, Col. Hanson - Capt. John Adair.

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

Answer Mustered out April 1865 - Washington Ga -

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 Yes

If so, when and under what circumstances?

Answer After being mustered out after the close of the war.

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

Answer ... *Farming - about \$100 per year* .....

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

Answer ... *75 acres of land worth \$600 and personal property of the value of \$100-* .....

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

Answer ... *about 15 acres of land worth \$100* .....

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 \$100* .....

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 ... *Noggle & Graham - Greensburg Ky* .....

Witness my hand this *15th* day of *April* 191*2*

WITNESSES: *Attest: N. Noggle* *Alex Thompson* .....

*Physician* P. O. *Alledale Ky* .....

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

*H. H. Smith*, Witness R. F. D. (if any) .....

Postoffice Address *Summersville Ky* .....

*John Barnett*, Witness .....

Postoffice Address *Greensburg Ky* .....

STATE OF KENTUCKY

*Green* County } I, *Elliott Graham* Judge of said County,

certify that *Alex Thompson* and his wife are assessed with *75* acres, valued at \$*300*, and with \$*30* of personal property.

Witness my hand this *15* day of *April*, 191*2*  
*Elliott Graham* Judge County Court.

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

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Green County } Personally appeared before me, a Notary Public of said County, the above named Alex. Thompson 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 15 day of April, 1912. My Commission Expires Jan. 27th, 1914.

C. H. Noggle Notary Public, Green County, Ky.

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Green County } Personally appeared before me, a Notary Public of said County, the above named O. H. Shively 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 Alex. Thompson the applicant, and find him laboring under the following disabilities: Unable to earn a support by manual labor.

Has rheumatism in knees, hips, and shoulders. Has mitral regurgitant murmur of heart. Has disease of gums and loss of teeth. Eye sight impaired, at least 2/3 normal.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this 15 day of April, 1912.

My Commission Expires Jan. 27th, 1914.

C. H. Noggle Notary Public, Green County, Ky.

(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

Green County } Personally appeared before me, a Notary Public of said County, the above named H. H. Smith and John Barnett, 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 John Barnett 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 he and the other witness served with the applicant in the service of the Confederate States from the year 1861 until the close of the war. That the applicant was in all the battles in which his regiment was engaged; and was a true and faithful soldier. That the applicant was wounded on three occasions.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this 15 day of April, 1912.

My Commission Expires Jan. 27th, 1914.

C. H. Noggle Notary Public, Green County, Ky.

No. 1958

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Soldier's Application for Pension

*Wm. Thompson*

Co. . . . . Rgt.

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Allowed . . . . .

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*Approved*  
*W. J. 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.



*Filed in Office*  
*May 6 1912*  
*J. W. Mearns* C. H. S. E. E.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

JUN 24 1912

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WAR DEPARTMENT

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT,

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,  
WASHINGTON, June 25, 1912.

Respectfully returned to the

Examiner,  
Confederate Pension Department,  
Frankfort, Kentucky.

The records show that Alex. Thompson, private, Company F, 4th Kentucky Infantry (Mounted), Confederate States Army, enlisted August 18, 1861 (date of enlistment also shown as September 14, 1861). On the roll of the company for September and October, 1864, (last roll on file), he was reported "Absent wounded, Macon, Ga." No later record of him has been found.

*Henry M. Cain*  
Adjutant General.

ADJUTANT GENERAL  
WAR DEPARTMENT  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

ALEX. THOMPSON.

Enlisted Aug. 18, 1861, Co. F,  
4th Kentucky Infantry, ~~XXXXXX~~

~~XXXX~~. Record proves his service to October 1864; two comrades testify to his service till the close of the war.

Property: \$700.00

W J S

I recommend that this claim be allowed.

*J. Sandy Ellis*  
Adjutant General.

Allowed by the State Pension Board.

*James M. McCreary*  
Chairman.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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HEADQUARTERS

# Confederate Pension Department

W. J. STONE, EXAMINER

FRANKFORT, KY

JUN 21 1912

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

Dear Sir:

*Alex. Thompson*

who is an applicant for Pension under the Kentucky Pension law, claims  
to have been a member of Company *F-4<sup>th</sup> Ky.*  
Regiment *Vol.* C. S. A., and to have been

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Please give me the record of this soldier.

Respectfully,

*W. J. Stone*

Examiner.

Green County Court.

Alex Thompson,

To

Green County Court.

} Application for Pension.  
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From the evidence on the application of Alex Thompson the following state of facts are shown:-

That the applicant is unable to earn a support by manual labor.  
That he is unable to earn a support by reason of his knowledge, art or skill in any profession, trade or craft.  
That he receives no pension from the United States, or any State or any foreign country.  
That he is a resident of Kentucky, and has been all his life.  
That he does not possess a net income to the amount of \$300 per year.  
That he does not possess property of the value of \$3500.  
That his wife does not possess property or income sufficient for the suitable support of himself and family.  
That his support is not provided for or secured by reason of a contract, or agreement for a valuable consideration, with a person able to provide such support.  
That he is not able by reason of the combined partial ability to earn a support and income, or property, or any or all of these combined to obtain an income equivalent to \$300 per year.  
That he served in the Confederate Army from 1861 until the close of the war.  
That the witnesses on the application herein, and the applicant are each personally known to the County Judge as being reputable persons.

Allen Graham  
Judge of Gree County Court

Green County Court.

Alex Thompson,

To

Green County Court.

Application for Pension.

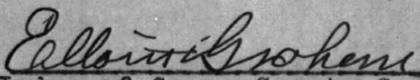
Be it remembered that on the trial of the above named application Edward Thompson was sworn as a witness on behalf of the applicant, who testified as follows;- That his post-office address is Allendale, Ky., that he is a son of the applicant, Alex Thompson, who lives about ten miles from Greensburg, Ky., and that said applicant is unable to come to town to attend court; that applicant was a soldier in the Confederate army, and is about 67 years of age, and now lives in Green county, Ky., and has lived in Kentucky all his life; that he is not able to do any work on account of heart trouble and rheumatism; that applicant owns 75 acres of land worth \$600, on which he owes \$125; owns a mare, colt cow and household goods all of the value of about \$100; that applicant's wife owns 15 acres of land in Taylor county worth \$75; that applicant cannot make a living on his land, it is poor thin land; that applicant does not receive a pension from the United States, or any state or foreign government; that he is unable to earn a support by manual labor, or by reason of his knowledge, art or skill in any profession, trade or craft; that he has no contract for his support with any one; that the 15 acres of land is all the property that his wife has or owns.

John Barnett, Post-office, Greensburg, Ky., being sworn as a witness for the applicant, testified that he was well acquainted with the applicant ~~in the Confederate Army~~ that he was a member of Company "F" 4th Reg. Ky. Vol.; that applicant enlisted in 1861 and served during the whole of the war, and was mustered out after the war was over; that applicant was a true and faithful soldier, and was wounded on three occasions; that he was in all the battles in which his company was engaged during the war; that he and the applicant served together in the army.

H. H. Smith, Post-office, Summersville, Ky., being sworn as a witness testified that he was acquainted with the applicant, that he served in the Confederate Army with him; that applicant was mustered out of the army after Lee's surrender, at Washington, Ga.

Dr. O. H. Shively, Post-office, Greensburg, Ky., being sworn as a witness for the applicant, testified that he examined the applicant and found him unable to earn a support by manual labor on account of having rheumatism in his knees, hips and shoulders; has heart trouble. and diseased conditions of the gums, and eye-sight impaired.

S. T. Gorin, Post-office, Greensburg, Ky., was called as a witness by the County attorney on behalf of the Commonwealth, and being sworn as a witness, testified that he was acquainted with the applicant and his tract of land, and that the land was worth about \$500, and that applicant had no income except from his farm; that applicant cannot make a living, and is unable to work for his support.

  
Judge of Green County Court.

STATE OF KENTUCKY, }  
GREEN COUNTY COURT. }

*June* CALLED TERM OF

GREEN COUNTY COURT.

*10* DAY OF *June*, 191*2*.

Present, ELLOITT GRAHAM, JUDGE.

*Alex Thompson* }  
*To* } *Application for Pension*  
*Green County Court* }

This day came the applicant by attorney, and also  
came the County attorney and announced ready for trial;  
and after hearing all the evidence offered, and being  
sufficiently advised the Court is of the opinion  
that the applicant is entitled to a Pension under  
the act of March 11<sup>th</sup> 1912.

*A Copy*  
Attest *V. F. Marshall* Clerk  
*Green County Court*

CLAY CURRY  
CLERK GREEN COUNTY COURT  
GREENSBURG, KY.

At a county court called and held for Green County, Ky, On the  
9th day of January 1930,

Present, J.L.Durham, Judge,

It appearing to the satisfaction of the court that Alex  
Thompson has been declared of unsound mind by judgment  
of the Green Circuit Court, It is now ordered by the court  
that E.F.Thompson be and he is hereby appointed Committee  
for the said Alex Thompson, this day came the said E.F.  
Thompson and entered into bond conditioned according to law  
in the penal sum of Five Hundred Dollars, with W.L.Lewis and  
T.B.Noel as his sureties, which bond was accepted and approved  
by the court and he had the proper oath administered to him.

J.L.Durham Judge,

Copy Attest;

*Clay Curry*  
Clerk Green County Court.

Coakley, Ky. Jan, 21, 1930

Commissioner of Pensions,  
Frankfort, Ky

Dear sir; Find enclosed a copy of an order appointing me as committee for my father, Alex Thompson; he draws a confederate pension and as it will be my duty to make out the vouchers, I would be glad if you would send me a pension certificate and voucher for the proper making out of his claim.

Yours truly,

E. F. Thompson.

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John Lucas.

January, 24, 1930-

Mr. E. F. Thompson,  
Coakley, Ky.

My dear Sir:

Your letter together with the order of the Court appointing you a committee for your father, Alex Thompson has been received. I inclose a voucher and certificate which you request,

Very Truly,

Comm.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
State Board of Health  
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS  
CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

PLACE OF DEATH  
County Green File No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Vot. Pct. Allendale Registration District No. 612 Registered No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Inc. Town \_\_\_\_\_ Primary Registration District No. 4  
City \_\_\_\_\_ (No. \_\_\_\_\_ St. \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_)

2 FULL NAME A. D. Thompson

(If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number.)

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS			MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH	
3 SEX <u>Male</u>	4 COLOR OR RACE <u>white</u>	5 Single <u>married</u> Married Widowed or Divorced (Write the word)	16 DATE OF DEATH <u>July 21</u> , 19 <u>30</u> (Month) (Day) (Year)	
6 DATE OF BIRTH <u>Not known</u> (Month) (Day) (Year)			17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from <u>July 1</u> , 19 <u>25</u> to <u>July 20</u> , 19 <u>30</u> , that I last saw <u>him</u> alive on <u>July 20</u> , 19 <u>30</u> , and that death occurred on the date stated above at <u>11-24 p.m.</u>	
7 AGE <u>88</u> yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.		IF LESS than 1 day _____ hrs. or _____ min?	The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows: <u>Uremic Poisoning</u>	
8 OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession or particular kind of work <u>Farmer</u> (b) General nature of industry, business or establishment in which employed (or employer)			(Duration) _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.	
9 BIRTHPLACE (State or country) <u>Hardin Co. Ky</u>			Contributory (Secondary) <u>Chronic Nephritis</u> (Duration) <u>3</u> yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.	
10 NAME OF FATHER <u>Bill Thompson</u>			(Signed) <u>Chell King</u> , M. D. <u>July 22, 1930</u> (Address) <u>Shannonville</u>	
11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or country) <u>Not known</u>			*State the Disease Causing Death, or, in deaths from Violence Causes state (1) Means of Injury; and (2) whether Accidental, Suicidal or Homicidal.	
12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER <u>Louise Thompson</u>			18 LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (For Hospitals, Institutions, Transients or Recent Residents) at place _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds. In the State _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.	
13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or country) <u>Hardin Co. Ky</u>			Where was disease contracted, if not at place of death? Former or usual residence _____	
14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE (Informant) <u>E. F. Thompson</u> (Address) <u>Coakley Ky</u>			19 PLACE OR BURIAL OR REMOVAL <u>Berkens Cemetery</u>	DATE OF BURIAL <u>July 22, 1930</u>
15 Filed <u>Aug 1</u> , 19 <u>30</u> by <u>Mrs. H. B. Mays</u> Registrar			20 UNDERTAKER <u>Home folks</u>	ADDRESS _____

MARGIN RESERVED FOR BINDING  
WRITE PLAINLY, WITH UNFADING INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD  
N. B.—Every item of information should be carefully supplied. AGE should be stated EXACTLY. PHYSICIANS should state CAUSE OF DEATH in plain terms, so that it may be properly classified. Exact statement of OCCUPATION is very important. See instructions on back of certificate.

July, 25, 1930-

Mr. E. F. Thompson,  
Lobb, Ky.

My dear Sir:

Your letter informing us of the death of your father, Alex Thompson on July 20th has been received. There is due his estate \$53.35 being accrued pension, from May 1st to July, 20th 1930, and I in-  
close information as to how this amount may be col-  
lected,

Very Truly,

**REVISED UNITED STATES STANDARD  
CERTIFICATE OF DEATH.**

(Approved by U. S. Census and American Public Health Association)

**Statement of occupation.**—Precise statement of occupation is very important, so that the relative healthfulness of various pursuits can be known. The question applies to each and every person, irrespective of age. For many occupations a single word or term on the first line will be sufficient, e. g., *Farmer or Planter, Physician, Compositor, Architect, Locomotive engineer, Civil engineer, Stationary fireman*, etc. But in many cases, especially in industrial employments, it is necessary to know (a) the kind of work and also (b) the nature of the business or industry, and therefore an additional line is provided for the latter statement; it should be used only when needed. As examples: (a) *Spinner*, (b) *Cotton mill*; (a) *Salesman*, (b) *Grocery*; (a) *Foreman*, (b) *Automobile factory*. The material worked on may form part of the second statement. Never return "Laborer," "Foreman," "Manager," "Dealer," etc., without more precise specification, as *Day laborer, Farm laborer, Laborer—Coal mine*, etc. Women at home, who are engaged in the duties of the household only (not paid *housekeepers* who receive a definite salary), may be entered as *Housewife, Housework*, or *At home*, and children, not gainfully employed, as *At school* or *At home*. Care should be taken to report specifically the occupations of persons engaged in domestic service for wages as *Servant, Cook, Housemaid*, etc. If the occupation has been changed or given up on account of the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH, state occupation at beginning of illness. If retired from business, that fact may be indicated thus: *Farmer (retired 6 yrs.)* For persons who have no occupation whatever, write *None*.

**Statement of cause of death.**—Name, first, the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH (the primary affection with respect to time and causation) using always the same accepted term for the same disease. Examples: *Cerebrospinal fever* (the only definite synonym is "Epidemic cerebrospinal meningitis"); *Diphtheria* (avoid use for "Croup"); *Typhoid fever* (never report "Typhoid pneumonia"); *Lobar pneumonia; Bronchopneumonia* ("Pneumonia," unqualified, is indefinite); *Tuberculosis of lungs, meninges, peritoneum, etc., Carcinoma, Sarcoma*, etc., of ..... (name origin; "Cancer" is less definite; avoid use of "Tumor" for malignant neoplasms); *Measles; Whooping Cough; Chronic valvular heart disease; Chronic interstitial nephritis*, etc.

The contributory, (secondary or intercurrent) affection need not be stated unless important. Example *Measles* (disease causing death), *29 ds.*; *Bronchopneumonia* (secondary), *10 ds.* Never report mere symptoms or terminal conditions, such as "Asthenia," "Anaemia," (merely symptomatic), "Atrophy," "Collapse," "Coma," "Convulsions," "Debility," "Congenital," "Senile," etc.), "Dropsy," "Exhaustion," "Heart failure," "Hemorrhage," "Inanition," "Marasmus," "Old age," "Shock," "Uraemia," "Weakness," etc., when a definite disease can be ascertained as the cause. Always qualify all diseases resulting from childbirth or miscarriage, as "PUERPERAL septicæmia," "PUERPERAL peritonitis," etc. State cause for which surgical operation was undertaken. For VIOLENT DEATHS state MEANS OF INJURY and qualify as ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDAL, OR HOMICIDAL or as *probably* such, if impossible to determine definitely. Examples: *Accidental drowning: Struck by railway train—accident; Revolver wound of head—homicide; Poisoned by carbolic acid—probably suicide*. The nature of the injury, as fracture of skull, and consequences (e. g., *sepsis tetanus*) may be stated under the head of "Contributory."

NOTE—Certificates will be returned for additional information which give any of the following diseases, without explanation, as the sole cause of death: Abortion, cellulitis, childbirth, convulsions, hemorrhage, gangrene, gastritis, erysipelas, meningitis, miscarriage, necrosis, peritonitis, phlebitis, pyæmia, septicæmia, tetanus.

Form with various fields for recording death information, including name, date, place, and cause of death. The form is partially filled out with handwritten text.

At a County Court called and held for Green County Kentucky on the 10th day of September, 1930.

Present J. L. Durham, Judge

This day came W. L. Despain whose name as executor in the last will and testament of Elex Thompson deceased, whose's last will and testament was duly admitted to probate in this Court at the regular August term 1930, of this Court, and on his motion he entered into bond in the penal Sum of \$200.00, with E. F. Thompson as his surety. Which bond was accepted and approved by the Court and he had the proper oath administered to him.

J. L. Durham, Judge

Copy Attest:

*Ray Cussy*  
Clerk Green County Court.