

(ORIGINAL)

# Questions for Applicant

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

*Estell*

County.

*Bettie S. Embury*

..... 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 Smith Embury, Irvine, Estell County, Kentucky*

2. How long and since when have you been a resident of this State?

*Since I was born 1847*

3. When and where were you born and what was your maiden name?

*September 10th 1847 in Irvine Ky. Bettie Smith*

4. When and where was your husband born—state his full name, and when and where were you and he married, and who performed the marriage ceremony. (A copy of the marriage license, or affidavits of two or more persons who know when the applicant was married to her husband, must accompany the application.)

*In Madison County Kentucky Gideon Allen Embury. (See proof before Court) was married at Irvine, Estell Co. Kentucky May 28th 1868*

5. When and where and in what Company and Regiment did your husband enlist or serve during the war between the States?

*(See proof now in office of Court of Pensions)*

6. How long did your husband serve in said Company and Regiment?

*(See proof referred to)*

7. When and where did your husband's Company and Regiment surrender?

*(See proof referred to)*

8. Was your husband present at the time and place when his Company and Regiment surrendered?

*See proof referred to*

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?

*See proof referred to now in office of Commissioners of Pensions.*

10. When and where did your husband die?

*Irvine, Ky. February 5th 1918*

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?

*One dwelling house and lot in Irvine, Ky. Value about \$12,000.00 + household goods no income from any source and no other property*

14. Have you a family? If so, who compose such family?

*One daughter, my only child, who resides with me. She has no income from any source nor any property except remainder interest in homestead.*

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

*Hugh Riddell or R. R. Friend, Irvine, Estell County Kentucky*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this, the

*7<sup>th</sup>* day of *March*, 191*8*

*OK Huland County*

Judge of *Estell* County.

*Bettie Smith Embury*

# Questions for Witnesses

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Estill County.

Hugh Riddell

of said State and County, having been presented as a witness in support of the application of Mrs. Bettie Smith-Embry 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? Hugh Riddell  
Irwin Kentucky
2. Are you acquainted with the applicant, Mrs. Bettie Smith-Embry, Yes  
If so, how long have you known her? Yes, About 45 years.
3. Where does she reside, and how long and since when has she been a resident of this State? at Irwin  
Estill County Kentucky, ever since her birth - except about  
2 or 3 years.
4. Were you ever acquainted with her husband? Yes.
5. Were either or both of you present at the marriage? no - (I was not present  
Hugh Riddell)
6. How long did you know him? About 40 years
7. When and where did Gideon Allen Embry enlist in the war between the States, and in what Company and Regiment did he enlist, and how do you know this? Records referred to
8. Were you a member of the same Company and Regiment at the close of the war? no.
9. How long did he perform regular military duty? Records referred to.
10. When and where was his Company and Regiment surrendered? Records referred to
11. Were you with the command when it surrendered? no
12. Was Gideon Allen Embry, the husband of applicant, present?  
See records
13. If not present, where was he? see records
14. When and where did he leave his command? see records.  
For what cause? ✓  
By whose authority did he leave? ✓  
How do you know all this? (State fully and clearly) ✓
15. When and where did Gideon Allen Embry die? July  
5th 1918 at Irwin Kentucky
16. Where did he reside at his death, and how long had he been a resident of Kentucky at his death?  
at Irwin, Estill Co. Ky. native of Ky. - 35 years or more
17. Do you know of your own knowledge that applicant is the lawful widow of Gideon Allen  
Embry. Yes.

18. Has she remained unmarried since her soldier husband's death, and is she now his widow? *She has not remarried & is now his widow.*

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

*Life estate in dwelling house in Lewis Ky, & no income known to me, know it by being familiar with ~~her~~ <sup>her husband's</sup> affairs.*

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

*None -*

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.

*I concur in all the answers given by Witness Hugh Riddece and in addition was present at the marriage of ~~applicant~~ <sup>applicant</sup>*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this *11th* day of *March*, 191*8*.  
*O. K. Noland J. J. Lele*

*Hugh Riddece*  
*P. W. Smith*  
Witnesses.

THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATE OF THE COUNTY JUDGE MUST BE FILLED OUT WHETHER THE APPLICANT OWNS ANY TAXABLE PROPERTY OR NOT.

I, *O. K. Noland* Judge of *Estill* County, Kentucky, hereby certify that the property assessed on the tax books of this County to Mrs. *Bettie Smith Embury* the widow of *Gideon Allen Embury* amounts to \$*1500 to \$2000* real estate and \$*300<sup>00</sup> to \$400<sup>00</sup>* personal. *Trustee.*  
For \_\_\_\_\_ County, Ky.

Certificate of Clerk of Court or Notary Public

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

*Estill* County.  
I, *O. K. Noland Judge* Clerk or Notary Public, in and for said county, hereby certify that the applicant, Mrs. *Bettie Smith Embury* resides in said county, and has been a bona fide resident of this State since the *1st* day of *January*, 19*00*, and that the witnesses, Mr. *Hugh Riddece and P. W. Smith* 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 witnesses 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 subscribed.

Witness my hand and official seal this *11th* day of *March*, 191*8*.  
*O. K. Noland*

(SEAL)

*Judge Estill* 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. 3821

**Widow's  
Indigent Pension**

Name *Betty S. Eecoby*

APR 10 1918

Filed *March 7<sup>th</sup> 1918*

Widow of *G. A. Eecoby*

*McNald and Ketch*

*Allowed*

*July 15<sup>th</sup> 1918*

*W. J. Stone*

Commissioner.

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

Indorsement.

PENSION EXAMINER'S OFFICE,

FRANKFORT, KY.

BETTIE E. EMBRY  
WIDOW OF  
G. A. EMBRY

Who enlisted Sept. 1, 1862,  
in Co. A, 9th Ky. Cav., and was  
wounded in February, 1863, and  
on account of wound and  
disease was never able to  
render further service. Proven  
by the records and comrades.

Property: \$2,400.00.

Approved:

W J Stone.

DO NOT DETACH THIS

FIGATE FROM LICENSE.

## Certificate

This is to Certify, That on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of May ~~186~~ 1868

the **rites of marriage** were legally solemnized by me between

G. Allen Embry and  
Bettie Smith

at Irvine in the County of Estill

in the presence of R. W. Smith Mary Smith  
and Thomas Barnes

NOTE.—The Statute requires the names of at least TWO witnesses to be inserted in the foregoing Certificate, and return of this license and certificate within 90 days.

Signed, F. Grider m.m.e.c.

State of Kentucky  
County of Estill

I R. E. West Clerk of the County Court in and for the County and State aforesaid do certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Marriage Certificate of G. Allen Embry to Bettie Smith as appears from the records of this office.  
Witness my hand this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March 1918

R. E. West Clerk.

Estill County Court.

April Term, April 8th, 1918.

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION OF  
BETTIE S. EMBRY, PENSION.

The application for pension by Bettie S. Embry filed March 7th, 1918 and having laid over THIRTY day for exceptions and none being taken thereto the same is now confirmed and is ordered certified to the office of Commissioner of Pensions at Frankfort, Kentucky.

O. K. Nelson

Judge Estill County Court.

a copy attested

R. E. West Clerk Estill Co Court

Estill County Court. March Term 1918.

March 11th. 1918.

IN THE MATTER OF APPLICATION OF  
BETTIE S. EMBRY FOR PENSION.

On the hearing of the proof in this matter, Witnesses Hugh Riddell and R.W. Smith, I find that the applicant, Bettie S. Embry, is the lawful widow of G.A. Embry who died in Irvine, Kentucky, February 5th. 1918.

That said applicant was lawfully married to deceased in this State on the 28th day of May 1888. That the said G.A. Embry was borned in this State and resided here all his life, or substancially so.

I find from the proof that said applicant has no estate left by her said husband except a house and lot in Irvine, Kentucky, worth \$1500.00 to \$2000.00 that she has no income from any source.

I find that said applicant was living with her said husband, G.A. Embry at the time of his death and had so lived since their said marriage.

Applicant has only one child, a daughter, who is in poor health. She is over the age of 21 years but has no income from any source.

I recommend that pension be granted applicant.

*O. K. Noland.*

Judge Estill County Court.

STATE OF KENTUCKY  
CONFEDERATE PENSION DEPARTMENT  
FRANKFORT

W. J. STONE, COMMISSIONER

April 10, 1918.

R. W. Smith, Att'y.,  
Irvine, Ky.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of yours of the 9th inst. together with the application for pension of Mrs. G. A. Embry, and am returning them for the signature of the officer before whom they were sworn-on page three- as none of the three affidavits on that page have been signed by an officer authorized to administer an oath. Have this done and return the original application to this office and file the duplicate in the County Court, as required by the law.

There is no "Findings of Facts" and "Recommendation" by the County Judge filed with this application. This should be sent in along with the application when it is returned, and it should be attended to at once, because the pensioner's name goes on the roll (if the pension is allowed) when the application and received and filed in this office.

Yours truly,

*W. J. Stone*

Commissioner.

LCC

Irvine, Ky.  
July 17<sup>th</sup> 1919.

Mr. H. J. Stone.  
Frankfort, Ky.

My Mother, Mrs. Bettie  
E. Embry died the 8<sup>th</sup> of this month.  
So I return the voucher to you -  
I am her only child, and suppose  
I am entitled to what was due  
her up to time of her death.

Please write me what steps to take  
in order to get it. Will very much  
appreciate your kindness in so  
doing -

Sincerely yours

Maudie Embry