Soldier's Application for Pension

I, W. L. Ross

am a citizen of Kentucky, resident at near Elizabethtown in the County of Hardin in said State of Kentucky, and was a soldier from the State of Tennessee, 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 C. 44th 55 Tenn Infantry C. S. A.

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 in Smith County State of Tenn on March 16, 1838

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

Answer Enlisted in the Spring of 1861 Capt A. R. Dellaha, Col McCoin. 44 was consolidated with the 55 Tenn, Capt James second Capt,

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

Answer Discharged for disability by disease in Nov 1862 at Florida Springs in Franklin Co Tenn, I have lost my discharge

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 I was discharged I was arrested and put in Jail & I took the oath to get out

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

Answer I am not able to engage in any business, or do any manual labor

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

Answer I own one mule & some household furniture, all worth $175.

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

Answer wife is dead, and left no estate or property in her own right

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 No income from any source

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 I came to Ky in 1865 & have been here ever since

Have you an attorney to look after this application?

Answer Yes

If so, give his name and address?

Answer B. H. Bush Elizabethtown Ky

Witness my hand this 12 *day of* April 191 2

W. L. Ross

WITNESSES:

J. C. Mobley, *Physician* P. O. Elizabethtown Ky

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

J. W. McMurtry, *Witness* *R. F. D. (if any)* #4

Postoffice Address Elizabethtown Ky

James Renalles, *Witness*

Postoffice Address Elizabethtown Ky

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Hardin *County* } I, D. W. Rider *Judge of said County,*

certify that W. L. Ross *and his wife* dead *are*

assessed with — *acres, valued at $* —, *and with $* — *of personal property.*

Witness my hand this 12 *day of* April, 191 2

D. W. Rider *Judge County Court.*

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

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Hardin County } Personally appeared before me S. H. Bush a Notary Public of said County, the above named W. L. Ross 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 12 day of April, 1912.

S. H. Bush N. P. H. C.

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Hardin County } Personally appeared before me S. H. Bush a Notary Public of said County, the above named Dr. J. C. Mobley 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. L. Ross the applicant, and find him laboring under the following disabilities: Unable to earn a support by manual labor. That he is suffering with Enteroptosis & Ankylosis of Spine, slight deafness.

J. C. Mobley

Witness my hand and seal of office, this 12 day of April, 1912.

S. H. Bush N. P. H. C.

(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

Hardin County } Personally appeared before me S. H. Bush a Notary Public of said County, the above named Dr. J. C. Mobley and James McMurtry & Jas Reynolds 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.

We have known W. L. Ross for over 21 years, We have heard him say soon after we got acquainted with him that he was a soldier in the 44 Tenn Reg of Infantry, that he enlisted in the Spring of 1861 and that he was discharged for disability by disease in 1862.

J. W. McMurtry
James Reynolds

Witness my hand and seal of office, this 12 day of April, 1912.

S. H. Bush N. P. H. C.

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES FEB. 4, 1914

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.

Ross

No. 1869

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Soldier's Application for Pension

W. L. Ross

Co. ..... Rgt.

Filed JUL 19 1912

Allowed .....

Read Specifications on Back.

SPECIFICATIONS
1. .....
2. .....
3. .....
4. .....
5. .....

Approved Apr 17th 1913
W. J. Stone Examiner
W. J. Stone Commissioner.

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

KENTUCKY STATE JOURNAL PUBLISHING CO., FRANKFORT, KY

Filed APR 15 1912
A. G. Corley Clerk

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
JUL 22 1912
1937069
WAR DEPARTMENT.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT, 1937069

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, July 23, 1912.

Respectfully returned to the

Examiner,
Confederate Pension Department,
Frankfort, Kentucky.

The records show that William L. Ross, private, Captain Dillehay's Company, 55th (McKoin's) Tennessee Infantry, Confederate States Army, enlisted December 27, 186- (year not stated). His name appears on the only roll of the company on file, one dated December 23, 1861, but his presence or absence is not stated.

It appears that this regiment was united with other organizations in April, 1862, to form the 44th Tennessee Infantry, Confederate States Army, and the records show that one Wm. Ross was a private of Co. C of the new regiment, and that he enlisted January 18, 186- (year not stated). His name last appears on the muster roll of this company for March and April, 1862, but his presence or absence is not stated. No later record found.

Henry P. McCain
Adjutant General.

(A.G.O.72-1) *Per* 7

Indorsement

Confederate Pension Department

STATE OF KENTUCKY

FRANKFORT,

WILLIAM L. ROSS.

Enlisted Dec.27,1861,Co. Captain Dillshay's Company 55th Tennessee Infantry, and was shown by the record to have been present with his company Apr.30,1862. One witness testifies that he was discharged in the State of Mississippi in Nov.1862, on account of disability for further service caused by exposure while in service.

Property: $175.00.

W J Stone.

I recommend that this claim be allowed.

J. Handy Ellis
Adjutant General.

No. ..... S .....

HEADQUARTERS

Confederate Pension Department

W. J. STONE, EXAMINER

FRANKFORT, KY.

JUL 19 1912 191 ....

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

Dear Sir:

W. L. Rose.

who is an applicant for Pension under the Kentucky Pension law, claims to have been a member of Company C - 55 "Tenn.

Regiment Inf. C. S. A., and to have been

Please give me the record of this soldier.

Respectfully,

W. J. Stone
Examiner.

Allowed by the State Pension Board.

James B. McCreary
Chairman.

....Hardin County Court....

Regular Term, Monday July 15 1912

PRESENT: HON. D. W. RIDER, JUDGE.

W. L. Ross

ON

APPLICATION FOR PENSION.

It appearing of record that W. L. Ross of Hardin County, Ky., filed his application for pension on apl 15 1912, it being a regular County Court, held for Hardin County, and the said application was laid over until the Regular Term July 15 1912, of the Hardin County Court; and the matters coming on for proof, as required under the act passed by the Legislature on March 11, 1912, granting pensions to Confederate Soldiers.

Came W. R. LaRue of Elizabethtown Ky., and B. L. Holland of " Ky., and _____ of _____ Ky., who testified that _____ has been a citizen and an actual bonafide resident of the State of Kentucky continuously since January 1st, 1907, and now resides in Hardin County. Ky., and that the said W. L. Ross and wife Dead own ~~real and~~ personal property in this State of value of $ 350.00, and that he has not an income by reason of a contract or agreement for a valuable consideration with any person able to provide such support, or by reason of partial ability, to earn a support, an income, or property or all of these combined, is able to obtain an income of $300 per year.

STATE OF KENTUCKY, HARDIN COUNTY. } SCT:

I, D. W. RIDER, Judge of the County Court, aforesaid, certify that J. C. Moberly, physician of Elizabethtown Ky., and J. Wm McMurtry of " Ky., and James Reynolds of " Ky., are reputable citizens, and are entitled to credit on oath; and it appearing from the evidence heard, that W. L. Ross. is a citizen of Hardin County, Ky., and has not been absent therefrom, as a resident, for a period of one year, and that he has been a bonafide resident of the State of Kentucky since January 1st, 1907; and that he has not an income of $300 per year, and see no cause why he should not be granted a pension.

This July 15 1912

D. W. Rider
Judge Hardin County Court.

STATE OF KENTUCKY, HARDIN COUNTY. } SCT:

I, F. G. CORLEY, Clerk of the County Court, and State aforesaid, certify that the foregoing is a true copy of all orders, etc., in the Pension Application of W. L. Ross, as it appears of record in this office.

Given under my hand this 15 day of July 1912

F. G. Corley, Clerk.

By _____ D. C.

State of Tennessee,
Macon County.

Personally appeared before me an acting Notary Public in and for the County and State afore said, Caleb Reece, whose P.O address is/ is LaFayette Macon county Tenn. R.F.D.#.6. and after being swern according to law, State in behalf of the Pension claim of William L. Ross late of Co. C. 55th.Reg. Tenn. Inft. That he,Caleb Reece,is 75 years old, that he was bonn in smith county Tenn. that he was swern into the service of the ~~5th~~ Southern Confederey in the fall of ~~Nov~~ 1861, in the same Co. as the above claimant, and the same time,

Fiant states that claimant was in the afore said Co.and reg. with fiant them being messmates, from day of inlistment untill claimant was discharged, in the State of Mississippi, Claimant being sick and in bad health, due from exposure while in the service of the Southern Army,

Fiant states the he and claimant was raised in the same county and State, and live in the same neighborhood untill the civil war and was in the service togather untill claimant was discharged on account of his health, Fiant state that he has never met said Claimant since the civil war, Fiant states that he served some time after claimant was dicharged, and was captured and taken to Johnson' Island, in 1863.

Futher Fiant sayeth not.

Caleb his X mark Reece

Also personally appeared L. K. Dickens and T. R. Meador persons who I am acquainted and whose P.O.address is Redbeiling Springs Tenn. and after being swern according to law, states that they were present and saw Caleb Reece make his mark to the fore going declaration, and that they know him to be the person he repr esents himself to be, and that they have no interest in the prosec ution of this claim.

L. K. Dickens

T. R. Meador

Subscribed and swern to before me this June 18th, 1912, And I certify that I have no interest in the prosecution of this claim and that my Certificate expires April 1916.

W. W. Wilson

Notary Public.

COL. WM. A. MILTON, PRESIDENT
CAPT. A. W. MACKLIN, VICE-PRESIDENT
LOUISVILLE TRUST CO., TREASURER
JOHN H. LEATHERS, SECRETARY
C. L DAUGHTRY, COMMANDANT

Pewee Valley, Ky.
5-18-'22

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

Dear Capt. Stone:-

This is to notify you that Comrade W. L. Ross, Pension Certificate No. 1869, last post office address Elizabethtown, Ky, came to the Home May 18, 1922, and surrendered his pension.

Very respectfully,
C. L. Daughtry Comdt.
by J.A.M.