

(DUPLICATE.)

# Questions for Applicant

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Graves County.

Mary Eliza Hoyer 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.) Mary Eliza Hoyer, Lynnville R.F. D. No. 1, Graves County, Ky.
2. How long and since when have you been a resident of this State? Since 1871 - 30 years
3. When and where were you born and what was your maiden name? Henry County, Tenn. - 1857, Maiden name was Mary Eliza England.
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.) Henry County, Tenn. 1842 - William Thomas Hoyer, - Married in Henry County, Tenn., 5th Nov. 1868 - Rev. J. C. Payne performed marriage ceremony
5. When and where and in what Company and Regiment did your husband enlist or serve during the war between the States? May 20th 1861. Paris, Tenn., Co "D" 5th Tenn. Col. Caldwell Co.
6. How long did your husband serve in said Company and Regiment? To the close of the war, 1865 -
7. When and where did your husband's Company and Regiment surrender? Greensboro, N.C. 1865 -
8. Was your husband present at the time and place when his Company and Regiment surrendered? Had been home on furlough, and was on his way to rejoin his Company at the time of the surrender
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? He had been home on a furlough for a short time of about three weeks, and was on his return he had been sick, furloughed by authority of superior officers.
10. When and where did your husband die? Lynnville R. 1 - Graves County, Ky. June 4 - 1920
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? None, no property except his estate in Ky. about \$8000.00 of land, worth about \$1000.00
14. Have you a family? If so, who compose such family? None living with me and depending upon me for support
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 J. N. Stringer, Lynnville, R. 1, Graves County

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this, the 7th day of May, 1921

Mary Eliza Hoyer

Clyde Burnett, Notary Public  
My Com. Expires Apr 1st, 1922  
of \_\_\_\_\_ County.



# Questions for Witnesses

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Groves County.

W. H. Hall

Navy County Tenn.

of said State and County, having

been presented as a witness in support of the application of Mrs. Mary Eliza Hoyer 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? Croveland, Ky P. M.

My name is W. H. Hall

2. Are you acquainted with the applicant, Mrs. Mary Eliza Hoyer

If so, how long have you known her? All her life

3. Where does she reside, and how long and since when has she been a resident of this State? Lynnville

Groves County Ky. for 50 years - since 1871.

4. Were you ever acquainted with her husband? yes

5. Were either or both of you present at the marriage? Yes

6. How long did you know him? All his life

7. When and where did William Thomas Hoyer enlist in the war between the

States, and in what Company and Regiment did he enlist, and how do you know this? Paris Tenn, May 20-1862,

Co. "D" Colburn's Co, 5<sup>th</sup> Tenn I was with him at the time

8. Were you a member of the same Company and Regiment at the close of the war? yes

9. How long did he perform regular military duty? About 4 years

10. When and where was his Company and Regiment surrendered? Greensboro N.C. 1865

at the close of the war.

11. Were you with the command when it surrendered? I was not with them at the time of the surrender, I was left sick at Franklin Tenn. about three weeks before - sick

12. Was William Thomas Hoyer, the husband of applicant, present?

No he was home on a furlough, a few weeks before the surrender, and was on his way to rejoin his command, at the time of the surrender.

13. If not present, where was he?

14. When and where did he leave his command? at Tupelo Miss. about three weeks before the surrender.

For what cause? was sick, and was on furlough, unable for service

By whose authority did he leave? Commanding Officer.

How do you know all this? (State fully and clearly) I was with him in the same Co. and Reg. from the time he joined until he left the command, and know from my personal knowledge.

15. When and where did William Thomas Hoyer die? Lynnville

Ky June 4<sup>th</sup> 1920

16. Where did he reside at his death, and how long had he been a resident of Kentucky at his death? Lynnville

Groves County Ky. since 1871 - 50 years

17. Do you know of your own knowledge that applicant is the lawful widow of yes William Thomas

Hoyer - yes

18. Has she remained unmarried since her soldier husband's death, and is she now his widow? *Yes*

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

*I know nothing about her property.*

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

*None to our knowledge.*

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.

*The Affidavit R. L. Dodds. states that the facts set forth by the witness N. H. Hall, are true and correct for he was with them, and knows this of his personal knowledge.*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this *7*

day of *July*, 19*21*

*Clyde Burnett, Notary Public*

*My Com. Expires April 1st, 1922*

*attest*

*N. H. Hall*

*R. L. Dodds*

Witnesses.

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

I, \_\_\_\_\_ Judge of \_\_\_\_\_ County, Kentucky,

hereby certify that the property assessed on the tax books of this County to Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_

the widow of \_\_\_\_\_ amounts to \$ \_\_\_\_\_ real estate and

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ personal. \_\_\_\_\_, Trustee.

For \_\_\_\_\_ County, Ky.

### Certificate of Clerk of Court or Notary Public

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

*Graves* County.

I, *Clyde Burnett*, Clerk or Notary Public, in and for said county, hereby

certify that the applicant, Mrs. *Mary Eliza Payne* resides in said county, and has been

a bona fide resident of this State since the *7* day of *July*, 19*21*, and that the wit-

nesses, Mr. *N. H. Hall and R. L. Dodds*

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 *16* day of *July*, 19*21*

(SEAL)

*Clyde Burnett, Notary Public*  
*Graves* County.

*My Com. Expires April 1st, 1922*

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. 4079

**Widow's  
Indigent Pension**

Name *Mary Eliza Hayes*

Filed JUN 24 1921

Widow of *Wm Thomas Hayes*

*Allmond*

*Oct 15 1921*

*Wm J. Adams*

Commissioner.

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

Indorsement.

PENSION EXAMINER'S OFFICE,

FRANKFORT, KY.

MARY E. HAYES  
widow of  
WILLIAM T. HAYES

Who enlisted May 20, 1861  
in Co. D, 5th Tenn. Reg't.  
which subsequently become  
~~the~~ Co. B, 5th Tenn. Inf'y. and  
there is record proof of  
service to April 30, 1864.  
Comrades testify that he  
served till the close of the  
war.

Property: \$1,000.00.

Approved:

W J Stone.

O. R. D.  
L. E. F.

WAR DEPARTMENT,

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON. Aug 10, 1921.

Respectfully returned to  
Confederate Pension Department,

State of Kentucky,

Frankfort,

with the information that W. T. Hays, not  
borne as Wm. Thos. Hayes, Pvt 1<sup>st</sup> Co. D.  
5<sup>th</sup> Tenn. Vols. (subsequently 2<sup>nd</sup> Co. B.  
5<sup>th</sup> Tenn. Inf.) enlisted May 20, 1861 at  
Paris, Tenn.

..... Muster Roll for Mar. & Apr. 1864  
last on file, shows him present.

..... No record of capture or parole  
or later record found.

P. C. Harris  
The Adjutant General.

Per WTB

Form No. 100-2--A. G. O.  
Ed. Mar. 3-21-15,000.

No. .... W .....

HEADQUARTERS

# Confederate Pension Department

W. J. STONE, EXAMINER

FRANKFORT, KY.

July 12th 19<sup>21</sup>

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

Dear Sir:

Mrs. .... Mary Eliza Hayes

who is an applicant for pension under the Kentucky Widows' Pension Law,  
claims that her husband .... William Thomas Hayes  
was a member of Company "D" Regiment .... 5th Tenn. C. S. A.,  
and was .....

RECEIVED  
JUL 15 1921  
OLD RECORDS DIVN.

Please give me the record of this soldier.

Respectfully,



Examiner.

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

County of Graves, ss.

The affiants, James E. Wiggins, and J.W. Edwards, with whom I am personally acquainted and who are known to me to be persons of veracity and good standing in the community where they live and who after being duly sworn state as follows, viz:

that they and each of them are personally acquainted with the applicant Mary Eliza Hayes, and were personally acquainted with her husband William Thomas Hayes, and both of said affiants state that they were personally acquainted with each of said parties for a number of years before Jan, 1st, 1890, and know that they were living together as husband and wife before that date, and were residing together as such husband and wife at the date of the death of said William Thomas Hayes, and that Mary Eliza Hayes, is now the lawful widow of said William Thomas Hayes.

*James E. Wiggins*

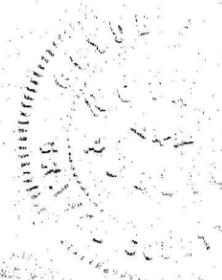
*J. W. Edwards*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of May, 1921.

*Clude Burnett*

*Natual Publice*

*My Comm Expires April 14, 1922*



State of Kentucky

County of Graves, Sct,

I, H. H. Coulter, Clerk of the county court in and for the county and state aforesaid, do certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of an order made in the Graves County Court in Re Application for pension of Mrs Mary Eliza Hays, as same appears of record in order book No, 20, page 474, in the Graves County Court Clerk's office.

Given under my hand this the 22nd, day of June, 1921.

H. H. Coulter Clerk

State of Kentucky

Graves County Court, Regular term Monday 20th, day of June, 1921.

A Regular term of the Graves County court was this day held in the Graves County Court room in the court house in the city of Mayfield, Graves County, Kentucky, present and presiding, Hon. J.W. Monroe, Judge, Also, present F.B. Martin, County Attorney.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR PENSION OF  
MARY ELIZA HAYS.

In the matter of application for pension of Mary Eliza Hays, whose post office address is Lynnville, R.F.D. No. 1, Graves County, Kentucky, the court makes the following report of findings viz: The applicant, a widow of a Confederate soldier, and has been a resident of this state for more than 50 years, that she owns no property except a life estate in about 48 acres of land, said life estate being valued at about \$1000.00, and that she owns no other property of any kind, and that her income from said life estate will amount to not more than \$50.00, per year, which is not reasonable for her support, and that she is not physically able to labor for her support, and that she does not now and has never received any pension from any state or government, and that she was married to William Thomas Hays, the Confederate soldier before January 1st, 1890,

Thereupon came Tom Wingo and W.H. Hays, with post office address at Lynnville Kentucky, witnesses herein, who after having been sworn, testified as follows: "We have known the applicant and her husband William Thomas Hays and know that they lived together as man and wife before January 1st, 1890, and that they were so living at the time of the death of the said William Thomas Hays, and that Mary Eliza Hays is now the widow of the said William Thomas Hays, that she owns a life estate in some land, which is worth about \$1000.00 and that her income will not amount to more than \$50.00, a year and that she has no other income or means of support and the applicant is not able to labor for her support. Wherefore in view of the foregoing facts it is the judgment of the court that the applicant should be granted a pension and the court so recommends.

J.W. Monroe, Judge.