

(ORIGINAL)

Questions for Applicant

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Simpson.....County.

Mary Elizabeth James.....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 Elizabeth James.....Kentucky Simpson County Franklin,

2. How long and since when have you been a resident of this State? ...6.0 years.....

3. When and where were you born and what was your maiden name? Feby. 18th, 1855, in Sumner County, Tenn., Mary Elizabeth Black.....

4. When and where was your husband born—state his full name, and where were you and he married, and who performed the marriage ceremony. (If possible, attach certified copy marriage license in every case.) Trousdale, Co, Tenn. Sept. 17th, 1845. His full name was John Robert James & I were married Oct. 16th 1872 in Simpson Co. Ky., Elisha Huffines performed the ceremony.

5. When and where and in what Company and Regiment did your husband enlist or serve during the war between the States? He enlisted in 1861. Company G. Second Tenn. Cavalry at Gallatin Tenn.

6. How long did your husband serve in said Company and Regiment? About 4 years.....

7. When and where did your husband's Company and Regiment surrender? Gadsdenville Ala., May 10th, 1865;.....

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

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?.....

10. When and where did your husband die? in Simpson Co. Ky. July 7th 1901.....

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? I have a life estate in a house & lot worth \$1000.00 I have no income or personal property.....

14. Have you a family? If so, who compose such family? No family.....

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. W. W. Pool, Franklin Ky. R. F. D. # 4.....

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this, the }
2nd day of August, 1915. }
A. S. Gaudin }
of Simpson County.

Mary Elizabeth James

Questions for Witnesses

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Simpson County.

J. W. Bradshaw & W. W. Pool of said State and County, having been presented as a witness in support of the application of Mrs. *Mary Elizabeth James* 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? *J. W. Bradshaw Franklin Ky, W. W. Pool Franklin Ky R. F. D. # 4*

2. Are you acquainted with the applicant, Mrs. *Mary Elizabeth James*? If so, how long have you known her? *J. W. Bradshaw has known her 50 years, W. W. Pool has known her 30 years*

3. Where does she reside, and how long and since when has she been a resident of this State? *Simpson County, Ky. has been in said County 59 years*

4. Were you ever acquainted with her husband? *Yes*

5. Were either or both of you present at the marriage? *J. W. Bradshaw was present*

6. How long did you know him? *W. W. Pool has known him 35 years, J. W. Bradshaw has known him 51 years*

7. When and where did he enlist in the war between the States, and in what Company and Regiment did he enlist, and how do you know this? *J. W. Bradshaw states he knew him while in the Army but does not know when and where he enlisted*

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? *We do not know*

10. When and where was his Company and Regiment surrendered? *We do not know*

11. Were you with the command when it surrendered? *No*

12. Was *John R. James* the husband of applicant, present? *We do not know*

13. If not present, where was he? *We understand that he was present*

14. When and where did he leave his command?

For what cause?

By whose authority did he leave?

How do you know all this? (State fully and clearly.)

15. When and where did *John R. James* die? *In Simpson Co. Ky. July 7th 1901*

16. Where did he reside at his death, and how long had he been a resident of Kentucky at his death? *In Simpson County, Ky. he has resided in this County since 1872*

17. Do you know of your own knowledge that applicant is the lawful widow of *John R. James*? *Yes*

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

19. What property, effects or income has the applicant, if any, and how do you know this of your own knowledge? *She has a life estate in a \$1000.00 homestead she has no effects or income. We know this of our own personal knowledge.*

Has applicant conveyed any property, in the last two years or given any away, if so, what was it, and to whom? *She has not conveyed any property or given any away to any one.*

NOTE.—Let the witness who can answer the greatest number of the 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.

W. W. Pool concurs to all statements of J. W. Bradshaw except he was not present at marriage.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this *2* day of *August* 191*5*.

A. S. Crowder
A. S. Crowder

J. W. Bradshaw

W. W. Pool
Witnesses.

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

I, *W. A. Hatter* Judge of *Simpson* County, Kentucky, hereby certify that the property assessed on the tax books of this County to Mrs. *Mary Elizabeth James* the widow of *John R. James* amounts to \$ *nothing* real estate and \$ *nothing* personal. *W. A. Hatter* Judge. *Trustee.* For *Simpson* County, Ky.

Certificate of Clerk of Court or Notary Public

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Simpson County.

I, *A. S. Crowder* Clerk or Notary Public, in and for said county, hereby certify that the applicant, Mrs. *Mary Elizabeth James* resides in said county, and has been a bona fide resident of this State since the day of 19*15*, and that the witnesses, Mr. *J. W. Bradshaw* and *W. W. Pool* 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 witness 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 *2* day of *August* 191*5*.

(SEAL)

A. S. Crowder Clerk
Simpson 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. 3426

**Widow's
Indigent Pension**

Name *Mary E. James*

Filed *SEP 21 1915*

Widow of *John R. James*

*Filed in open court
Aug 10th 1915 and
allowed on the 1st day of
the next term of the court
for exception
A. S. Caldwell Clerk*

*Allowed Oct 15th 1915
W. J. Stone
Commissioner*

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



Indorsement.

PENSION EXAMINER'S OFFICE,

FRANKFORT, KY.

MARY E. JAMES
widow of
JOHN R. JAMES

Who enlisted Oct. 19, 1861, in Co. F, 7th Bat. Tenn. Cav. which was later Company E of the same Battalion, which was also called 2nd Tennessee Cav. There is record proof of service to April, 1863. The captain of the company in which he served testifies that he till the close of the and was surrendered and paroled May 10, 1865, at Gainesville, Ala.

Property: \$1,000.00.

Approved:

W J Stone.

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

Incl. 1.
WAR DEPARTMENT,

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30, 1915.

Respectfully returned to the

Examiner,
Confederate Pension Department,
Frankfort, Kentucky.

The name John R. James has not been found on the rolls on file in this office of Company G of any Cavalry organization from the State of Tennessee in the Confederate States Army numerically designated the 2d, and no record has been found of the capture or parole of a man bearing this name as a member of such an organization.

The records show, however, that one Jas. R. James enlisted October 19, 1861, as a private in Company F, 7th (Bennett's) Battalion Tennessee Cavalry, C. S. A. This organization was consolidated with Co. E, same battalion in June, 1862, to form Company G, 22d (also called the 2d and Barteau's) Regiment, Tennessee Cavalry.

Rolls of the last mentioned company show that J. R. James, 2d corporal, enlisted October 19, 1861. He was accounted for as present on last roll on which his name appears, dated November 2, 1862. Subsequent rolls on file are dated December 31, 1862, and in part cover to June 30, 1864. On an abstract of payments for the month of April, 1863, J. R. James, with rank of private, is shown to have been paid

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the sum of \$165.83, remark appearing that he was "Discharged." No later record of him has been found. The name Jas. in the case of this soldier appears on only one roll, his signature showing merely "J. R. James."

H. S. Shaw
The Adjutant General.

Indorsement.

PENSION EXAMINER'S OFFICE,

FRANKFORT, KY.

Adjutant General,
War Department,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

It is now claimed that John R. James was a member of Co. G, 2nd Tennessee Cav., the officers of which were C. R. Barco, Colonel, and B. H. Moore, Captain, and that he served till the close of the war and was surrendered and paroled at Gainesville, Ala. May 10, 1865.

Please inform me whether or not the records show the service of this soldier as stated above.

Yours truly,

W. J. Stone
Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS

Confederate Pension Department

W. J. STONE, EXAMINER
FRANKFORT, KY.

Sept 22 1915

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

Dear Sir:

Mrs. *Mary E. James*

who is an applicant for pension under the Kentucky Widows' Pension Law,
claims that her husband *John R. James*
was a member of Company *E* Regiment *2d Tenn.* S. A.,
and was *Gov.*

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Please give me the record of this soldier.

Respectfully,

W. J. Stone
Examiner.

Received A. G. O. SEP 24 1915

WAR DEPARTMENT,

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, Oct. 8, 1915.

Respectfully returned to the

Examiner,
Confederate Pension Department,
Frankfort, Kentucky.

The records show that B.H. Moore was 1st lieutenant of Co. G, 2d (also known as the 22d, Barteau's) Tennessee Cavalry, C.S.A.; that C.R. Barteau was colonel of the regiment, and that B.H. Moore was also captain of Company K, 22d & 21st Consolidated Tennessee Cavalry, C.S.A., but nothing has been found relative to service capture or parole of a man named John R. James as a member of either of said regiments, and a further careful search of the records, based on the request made within, has resulted in failure to find any information relative to the subject of inquiry, additional to that contained in the indorsement, herein, addressed on Sept. 30, 1915, to the Examiner, Confederate Pension Department, Frankfort, Kentucky, by this office.

H. J. Stone
The Adjutant General.

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D. B. N. Moore make the following
Statement under oath in matter of
J. R. Janu. was referred. He was in Co
2nd Tenn Cavalry enlisted in 1861.
Officers, B. N. Moore, Captain C. R. Barto
Colonel, enlisted at Gallatin Tenn
He surrendered at Gainsville Ala
May the 10th 1865. he never was in prison
He stayed in the Army until the war
closed. he did not take the oath
of allegiance, he made a good Soldier
and Soldier, his service was good

B. N. Moore,

State of Tenn } Capt - Co (G) 2nd &
Smith County } Personally appeared before
J. P. Ward, a Notary Public for and in
a fore said County and State B. N.
Moore with whom I am personally
acquainted and made oath that the
above Statement is true to the best
of his knowledge and belief

Subscribed and sworn to be fore
me, this the 23 July 1915

J. P. Ward
Notary Public

State of Kentucky,

Simpson County Court.

September Term, Sept. 20th 1915.

I, D. H. Hater, Judge of the Simpson County Court, do certify that the application of Mrs. Mary Elizabeth James for a widows pension under the act of the Legislature approved March 11th 1912, was filed in open Court August 16th 1915, and by an order of this Court was laid over to this day for exceptions, and no exceptions having been filed thereto, same was submitted for Judgment upon the affidavit of the applicant, in her application, the affidavit of J. W. Bradshaw who was present at the marriage of the applicant and the deceased soldier, and who knew him while in the army, the affidavit of W. W. Pool and the affidavit of B. H. Moore, who was in the same Co. with the deceased soldier and was his Captain, the affidavit of the latter is filed herewith, and the former affidavits are in the application.

I recommend to the Adjutant General and the State Pension Board, from the above affidavits and my personal knowledge of the deceased soldier and of his widow, that she the said Mary Elizabeth James be granted a pension under the provisions of the Act of the Legislature approved March 11th 1912.

D. H. Hater
Judge Simpson County Court