FORM B-1 No. A 3704

Application of Indigent Widows of Confederate Soldier or Sailor, for a Pension Under the Laws of the State of Oklahoma

EVERY QUESTION MUST BE FULLY ANSWERED. WRITE THE ANSWERS CAREFULLY, USING INK. APPLICATION MUST BE SWORN TO BEFORE SOME OFFICER AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS, AND FILED WITH AND DULY APPROVED BY THE COUNTY JUDGE OF THE COUNTY WHEREIN THE APPLICANT LIVES. READ THE ENTIRE APPLICATION BEFORE BEGINNING. OBSERVE THE INSTRUCTIONS IN FINE PRINT UNDER THE LINES. MAKE YOUR ANSWERS EXPLICIT.

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, COUNTY OF Tillman, ss:

I, the undersigned, the widow of a Confederate Soldier (or sailor), do hereby make application for a pension, to be granted me according to the laws of the State of Oklahoma, and under oath I make answer to the following questions:

1 What is your FULL NAME? Missouri Ann Kersey [Give your first name, your middle initial, and your surname.]

2 What is your post office address? Manitou Okla

3 What is your street, route or box number? Box 15 - Route 3

4 Are you an actual resident of the State of Oklahoma? Yes Of what county? Tillman

5 How long have you lived in the State of Oklahoma? 12 yrs

6 Where were you born? Lamparas Co Texas What is your age? 61

7 Have you ever applied for a pension anywhere? no Where? When?

8 If so, were you granted a pension? ✓ If not, why not?

9 Do you receive any income, annuity, pension, salary, wages, fees, money or other means of support, from any source whatever? no [Yes or no.] If so, state in detail the source and amount thereof. ✓

10 Do you own a home, or property of any kind, either real, personal or mixed (household goods and wearing apparel not included), either in fee simple, for life, or in your own right, or an interest therein or does anyone hold in trust for your benefit or use, any such property? (Answer yes or no.) no

11 If so, give an itemized statement of each piece, article or head, and the assessed value of each:

12 Have you transferred or sold property of any kind within the last two years? no [Yes or no.] If so, state fully the amount, value and circumstances.

13 Have you a home of your own? no If not, with whom do you live? S. J. Kersey My son

14 If related to the person you live with, state what relation. Son

15 Have you any relatives or connections whose natural duty it is to provide for you? (State fully) Have two girls and two boys.

16 What is your physical condition? Health not good Are you able to work? Not much

17 What occupation are you engaged in? None

18 Are you an inmate of any public home or institution, charitable or otherwise? no

19 Do you apply for a pension because you are indigent and unable to earn a livelihood by manual labor? Yes

20 What was your husband's FULL NAME? Andrew J. Kersey

21 Is the man named in answer to question 20 above, the one upon whose military service you base this claim for a pension? Yes

22 Have you remarried since his death? no

23 When were you married to him? 1874 - Dec 10 Where? Lamparas Co Texas

24 When did he die? July 25 - 1918 Where? Manitou Okla

25 Did he ever draw a pension? Yes State fully when and where. (P 2099)

26 Did he serve in the Confederate infantry, cavalry, artillery or navy? Infantry

27 In what state was his command organized or from what state did he enlist? Tyler - Texas

28 When did he enlist? 1862 Where? Tyler, Tex How long did he serve? 3 yrs

29 What was the name or letter of his company, battery or ship? Don't Know

30 State the name and number of his regiment or battalion. Don't Know

31 To what other commands if any was he ever transferred? Don't Know

32 If possible, state the names and rank of his officers.

33 How was he released from the Confederate service? (Captured, paroled or honorably discharged.)

Why? Honorably Discharged

When? at Close of War Where?

34 Was he a commissioned officer? no State rank and date of his commission.

35 Was he detailed for special service in an armory or shop for the maintenance of the army or navy? no State fully.

I, the undersigned applicant, do solemnly swear that the foregoing answers are all true and complete, and I do further swear that I was never divorced from my said husband, and that I never voluntarily abandoned him during his life, but remained his true, faithful and lawful wife up to the date of his death, and that I know of no reason why I am not entitled to receive a pension.

IF APPLICANT SIGNS BY MARK HAVE TWO WITNESSES TO MARK SIGN HERE

Missouri Ann Kersey
[Applicant sign here, first name, middle initial and surname]

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16 day of Sept A.D., 1918

My commission expires Jan 3 1920

Geo. Bryant
[Signature and title of officer]

(SEAL)

Tillman County, Oklahoma

NOTE: It is unlawful for anyone to charge or receive a fee, either directly or indirectly, for the procuring of a pension, or for taking the acknowledgments or oaths required herein. See that all the questions are answered and that you have listed all of your property, whether taxable or not, except household goods and wearing apparel. If applicant cannot write he must sign by mark, show the mark between the words "her" and "mark," and have two witnesses thereto sign on the lines for that purpose.

AFFIDAVIT NO. 1. RESIDENCE AND WIDOWHOOD. BY TWO CITIZENS WHO KNOW THE APPLICANT HAS RESIDED IN THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA SINCE FEBRUARY 25, 1914, AND THAT SHE IS NOW A WIDOW.

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, COUNTY OF Oklahoma ss:

Before me Geo D. Wyatt Notary Public in and for said county and state, on this 6
[County Judge, Notary Public or Justice of the Peace]

day of Sept 1918, personally appeared R. H. Riggs whose address is Manitou - Okla -, and T. W. Sharp whose address is Manitou Okla, who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who by me being duly sworn, each for himself deposeth and saith:

That he is personally acquainted with the within named applicant for pension; that he has read the within and foregoing application and to the best of his knowledge and belief the statements therein contained are true; that to his knowledge said applicant is now and has been a bona fide resident and citizen of the State of Oklahoma for 12 years next preceding this date; that said applicant is in truth and in fact the widow of the man named in this application upon whose military service she bases this claim for pension; that she has not remarried since his death; that the applicant's habits are good and free from dishonor; and that he knows of no reason why said applicant should not be granted a pension under the laws of Oklahoma; and further, that he has no interest whatever in this claim for a pension.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS 6 DAY OF Sept A.D., 1918

Geo D Wyatt
Notary Public
In and for said County and State
(SEAL)

R. H. Riggs
T. W. Sharp
[SIGNATURES OF TWO WITNESSES]

My commission expires Jan 3 1920

AFFIDAVIT NO. 2. PROOF OF SERVICE IN THE CONFEDERATE ARMY OR NAVY—BY TWO COMRADES IF POSSIBLE

STATE OF _____, COUNTY OF _____, ss:

Before me _____, a _____ in and for said county and state, on this _____ day of _____ 191__, personally appeared _____ whose address is _____, and _____, whose address is _____, both known to me to be credible citizens, and after being duly sworn by me, each for himself deposeth and saith:

That he knows personally that _____ [Give his full name], deceased husband of the within named applicant, served in the Confederate army (navy) from _____ 186__, until _____ 186__, in Company (or Battery) _____ [Letter], of the _____ [Give number and name] Regiment of _____ [Infantry, Cavalry or Artillery]; that his officers were _____; that he served honorably and did not desert at any time, but remained true to his colors; that he was released from service on the _____ day of _____, 186__, at _____ by reason of _____

[State fully why and by what method—honorable discharge, capture, parole, etc., and by what authority]

Affiants further state that they know these statements to be true because of having served themselves in the Confederate Army (Navy).

_____, affiant first above named, states that he served in company _____ of _____ Regiment of _____, from _____ 186__ until _____ 186__.

_____, affiant last above named, states that he served in Company _____ of _____ Regiment of _____, from _____ 186__, until _____ 186__

Affiants declare that they have no interest in this claim for a pension, and further state: _____

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS _____ DAY OF _____ A.D., 191__

In and for said County and State
(SEAL)

[SIGNATURES OF TWO WITNESSES]

My commission expires _____ 191__

NOTE: There must be two witnesses to each of the affidavits above. Both affidavits must be acknowledged before some officer authorized to administer oaths, which officer must express his title and affix his seal. Signatures by mark must be witnessed by two persons. If additional affidavits are needed, or it is necessary to send to distant points to secure proof of service, copies of Affidavit No. 2 may be made on separate sheets, and when executed, attached to the application proper. If applicant has a parole, discharge or other documentary evidence, it should be attached to the application, which when completed, SHOULD BE SENT TO THE COUNTY JUDGE of the county wherein the applicant lives.

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DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

Missouri A Kersey

P. O. Manitou

St., R., Bx. No. R-3 B-15

Filed in Pension Office SEP 14 1918

Disallowed

Allowed SEP 14 1918 No. P 2703

Allowed from 7-1-18 Amt. $ 5.00 per month.

Reconsidered _____ and _____ allowed

From _____ Amt. $ _____ No. P _____

Chairman

THIS SPACE BELOW FOR USE OF COUNTY JUDGE ONLY

State of Oklahoma, County of _____

Filed in the office of the County Judge of said county and state this _____ day of _____ 191__

It is hereby recommended that the within named applicant for pension be _____ [granted—refused] a pension.

(SEAL) County Judge.

THIS APPLICATION MUST BE FILED WITH AND APPROVED BY THE COUNTY JUDGE OF THE COUNTY WHEREIN THE APPLICANT RESIDES.

Franklin Printing Co., Oklahoma City, Okla.

STATE OF OKLAHOMA
OFFICE OF
PENSION COMMISSIONER
OKLAHOMA CITY
RETURN IN 10 DAYS IF NOT CALLED FOR

P. 2703

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card to —
R. H. Riggs
T. W. Sharp —
Manitou —
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No Such Post Office in State Named
Return ... D. L. S.
FORT WORTH, TEXAS.

MISSOURI A. KERSEY.
% JIM KERSEY,
WILKERSON., OKLA.

Manitou, Okla
July 28, 1920.

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Pension Commission
Okla City.

Dear Sir; Please send this payment in care of Jim Kersey Wilkerson Okla. I am moving to that part of Okla.

My old address is Manitou, Okla.

Yours truly
Missouri A Kersey

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Kersey

Maniton, Okla
July 7, 1923

Penson Commissioner
Okla City, Okla.

Dear Sir: The Widow of Andrew J. Kersey has had her pension stopped almost 2 years and she don't know the reason for not receiving the pension money. Her name is Missouri A. Kersey and she would like to know what she will have to do to get restored in the pension roll.

Any information you may send me will be appreciated by her as she is old and in need of the money.

Yours truly
C C Hayes
Maniton, Okla

P- 2703 - No pension
P-2099 Andrew Kersey

Sworn st been
back in state 6 mos.

July 12, 1923.

Mr. C. C. Hanes,
Manitou, Oklahoma.

Dear Mr. Hanes:

In reply to yours of July 7th in regard to the pension of Mrs. Missouri A. Kersey, widow of Andrew J. Kersey, wish to say that our records show that a check was sent to Mrs. Kersey in 1920, which check was returned to this office and later cancelled, as this office could not locate Mrs. Kersey. Cards were sent her at Wilkerson, Oklahoma, but we did not hear from her in reply, so judged that she had left the state.

If Mrs. Kersey will send us a sworn statement that she has been back in this state six months, with dates, she will again be placed on the rolls and will receive her pension from the expiration of the six month's residence.

Yours very truly,

Commissioner of Pensions.

CJS/MB