

Josiah Ford Files

[image of Josiah Ford family, Marshall County, Kentucky]

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Widow's Indigent Pension Form Cover

No. 3683

Widow's Indigent Pension

Name Catherine Ford

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Widow of Josiah Ford

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Allowed Apr 14 1917

W.J. Stone, Commissioner

NOTICE TO APPLICANTS.

The Widows' Pension Law, passed by the Kentucky Legislature, provides for the widows only, and they must have been residents of the state of Kentucky since January 1, 1907.

Widow must have been 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 law it will be useless to file application.

Indigent Widows of Soldiers Questions Form

ORIGINAL

Questions for Applicant

STATE OF KENTUCKY, Marshall County.

Catherine Ford 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. [sic]) Catherine Ford State of Ky Marshall County [illegible]
2. How long and since when have you been a resident of this State? All My life and [illegible]
3. When and where were you born and what was your maiden name? Marshall in Marshall County Ky [illegible] Peck
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.) [illegible] in Marshall County Ky Named Josiah Ford Married in Marshall County Ky Married by a minister by name of Adam Good [illegible]
5. When and where and in what Company and regiment did your husband enlist or serve during the war between the States? enlisted in state of Arkansas Co I 2nd Arkansas regiment
6. How long did your husband serve in said Company and Regiment? I do not know returned home after war
7. When and where did your husband's Company and Regiment surrender? I do not know
8. Was your husband present at the time and place when his Company regiment surrendered? I don't know [illegible]
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? I can only [illegible] he said he was with Co and left command after surrender under parol [sic] of US
10. When and where did your husband die? Died May 10 1909 at Scale Marshall Co Ky
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? Eighteen Hundred Dollars in notes and income no other property no income [illegible] [illegible] 900.00 at 4%
14. Have you a family? If so, who compose such family? No family live with my children

15. Name some friend, giving his name and postoffice [sic] address, who will be willing to have us write to him about your case if necessary Frank H [illegible] Burton Ky [illegible]

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this, the 4th day of September 1916

W.W. English [illegible] for Marshall County KY

Catherine Ford

Pearl Ford

Questions for Witnesses Form

Questions for Witnesses

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Marshall County.

[blank], of said State and County, having been presented as a witness in support of the application of Mrs. Catharine Ford 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 [sic] address? G. W. Ford Benton Ky R [illegible] 6 H. D. Ford
2. Are you acquainted with the applicant, Mrs. yes

If so, how long have you known her? 56 years I have known her 65

3. Where does she reside, and how long and since when has she been a resident of this State?_Marshall Ky 41 years I have known her all of her life.
4. Were you ever acquainted with her husband? Yes
5. Were either or both of you present at the marriage?
6. How long did you know him? 56 years
7. When and where did Ark Bradley, County_enlist in the war between the States, and in what Company and Regiment did he enlist, and how do you know this? Co. I 2nd Arkansas I was at home and seen him leave
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? 3 years
10. When and where was his Company and Regiment surrendered? Atlanta, Georgia
11. Were you with the command when it surrendered?
12. Was yes he paroled out, the husband of applicant, present?
13. If not, present where was he?

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.) I was one of the family, was four years old when the war broke out, he enlisted the 2 years

15. When and where did May 17, 1909, Marshall Co. Ky. die?

16. Where did he reside at his death, and how long had he been a resident of Kentucky at his death? Benton, Marshall Co., Ky Rfd, 6

17. Do you know of your own knowledge that applicant is the lawful widow of, Yes

18. Has she remarried 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? \$900.00 I deposit in the bank for her

Has applicant conveyed any property, in the last two years of given any away, if so, what was it, and to whom? No

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 witness.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 19 Day of January, 1917

[illegible signature]

By J A Ford [illegible]

H.D. Ford

G.W. Ford

Witnesses.

County Judge Certificate for Taxable Property

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

I, J. B. Wyatt Judge of Marshall County, Kentucky, hereby certify that the property assessed on the tax books of this county to Mrs. Catherine Ford, the widow of Josiah Ford amounts to \$000 real estate and \$900.000 personal.

J. B. Wyatt Judge

For Marshall County, Ky.

Certificate of Clerk of Court or Notary Public

State of Kentucky,

Marshall County.

I, John D. Hall Clerk of Notary Public, in and for said county, hereby certify that the applicant, Mrs. Catharine Ford resides in said county, and has been a bona fide resident of this State since the all her life except a short while in Ark in the early sixties, and that the witnesses, Mr. [crossed out] all of them 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 6 day of Nov., 1916

John P. Hall Clerk of Marshall County.

By [illegible] Hall D.C.

Notes – 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 ne 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 supply – 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.

Josiah Ford Marriage License

Marriage License

THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

To any Minister of the Gospel or other Legally Authorized to solemnize Matrimony. You are permitted to solemnize RITES OF MATRIMONY between Josiah Ford and Catherine Peck the requirements of the law having been complied with.

Witness my signature as Clerk of the Marshall County Court this 22 day of November 1856

J. C. Gilbert JM [crossed out] CMCC

Josiah Ford Marriage Certificate

Marriage Certificate

THIS IS TO CERTIFY That on the 23rd day of Nov 1856 the RITES OF MARRIAGE were legally solemnized by me between Josiah Ford and Catherine Peck at house of Lauri and Jeb Peck in the County of Marshall in the presence of Wilson English and David Story

Note: The Statute requires the names of at least two witnesses to be inserted in the foregoing Certificate.

Signed Adam Goodwin

[illegible statement]

Pension Examiner's Office

Indorsement

Frankford, Ky.

Catherine Ford widow of Josiah Ford

Enlisted June, 1862, in Co. I, 2nd Arkansas Inf'y., and there is record proof of service to August 31, 1864. He was surrendered and paroled at Augusta, Ga. May 11, 1865. Proven by parole filed with application.

Property: \$1800.00

Approved

W. J, Stone

Adjutant General's Office Form

WAR DEPARTMENT

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

2413239 Washington, June 16, 1916

Respectfully returned to Hon. Alben W. Barkley

House of Representatives.

The records show that Josiah Ford, private, Company I, 2d Arkansas Infantry Confederate States Army, enlisted May 10, year not stated, at Smyrna. His name first appears on company roll dated June 30, 1862. On muster roll dated Aug. 31, 1864, the last roll of the company on file, he was reported absent with remark, "On detached duty, prov. Guard." No later record of him has been found.

H. P. McCain

The Adjutant General

Marshall County Court Document

In the matter of Catherine Ford, applicant for pension under the act of the Kentucky Legislature approved march [sic] 11, 1912.

Be it remembered that on the trial of the above styled application, in the county Court of Marshall county, Kentucky, on the 2 day October 1916, before J. B. Wyatt Judge. J. A. Ford being duly sworn in testified as follows.

Q. Are you acquainted with the applicant Mrs. Catherine Ford.

1. I am.

Q. Where does the applicant live.

2. In Marshall County, Kentucky.

Q. How long has she lived in the County.

3. All her life, or for the past 50 years at least.

Q. What property has she, if any.

4. \$900.00 in Bank.

Q. What is her physical [sic] condition relative to being able to make a support.

5. She is not physically able [sic] to make a support.

Q. Has she any one to rely upon for her support.

6. No sir.

Q. Has she a contract with any one for her support

7. No sir.

I John D. Hall Clerk of the Marshall County Court do certify that the [illegible] is a true and correct report of the trial of the above [unreadable] case.

Att [sic] John D. Hall CCK [sic]

Marshall County Court Document

In the matter of Catherine Ford, applicant for pension

I J. B. Wyatt Judge of the Marshall County Court upon hearing of the above cause and from the [illegible] books find that Catherine Ford is Widow of Josiah Ford deceased is a citizen of Marshall County Ky, and has been all her life, is not physically able to labor for her support and has no property except \$900.00 on time deposit and has no contract with anyone for her support.

Given under my hand this the 2 day of April

J B Wyatt Co Judge