

Prisoner of War
 11/25-1911
 The 6th Co. Regt
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 at Kingston Va.
 was mustered in
 army in North
 Carolina and
 those that were
 at Kingston Va.
 were then absent
 without lawful
 authority
 D. V. Lindsey
 Chief of Prison

10th Regt 1911
 No. _____
Confederate
Soldier's Application.
 UNDER ACT 1910.
 County Gilmer
 Name J. A. Boardman
 Company D
 Regiment 6th Co. Cavalry
& Co. A. 10th Regt
 Approved _____
 W. W. LINDSEY,
 Commissioner of Prisoners
 11/25/11
 6/29/11
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QUESTIONS FOR WITNESS AS TO SERVICE.

STATE OF GEORGIA.

Gilmer County.
J. L. Storer of said State and County is hereby presented as a witness in support of the application of J. A. Beards for the pension provided by the Act of 1910, in said State, and after being sworn true answers to make to the questions propounded, answers as follows:

1. What is your name and where do you reside?
J. L. Storer, Central, Ga.
2. How long and since when have you known J. A. Beards the applicant?
50 years or more, since 1860, in England
3. Where does he now reside, and since when has he been a bona fide, continuing resident in this State and how do you know?
at Selma, Ga., since 1860. I have lived near him all the time.
4. When, where and in what Company and Regiment did J. A. Beards enlist during war from 1861 to 1865? (Give date and place).
May 1862, Selma, Ga. Co. B. 8th Ga. Inf.
5. How did you obtain your information of this Service?
Co. B. 8th with him all the time.
6. How long within your own personal knowledge did he perform actual military service with this Company and Regiment? (give date).
from May 1862 to May 18, 1865 at Annsboro
7. When and where was his Command surrendered or discharged (give date and place).
May 12, 1865 at Kingston, Va.
8. Were you personally present at the Surrender?
Yes
9. If not, where were you and how came you there?
was present
10. Was the applicant personally present with his Command at surrender?
yes
11. If not where was he and how came him there?
was present
12. When did he leave his Command? never left it Where was his Command when he left it?
he never left it for what cause did he leave? never left it
 By whose authority did he leave? he never left his Command and how long was he granted leave?
never left Command How do you know all that you have stated to be true? If of your own knowledge (Tell clearly and specifically).
I know of my own knowledge because I was then and there present
13. In what way was he prevented from returning to his Command? Never left his Command
 How do you know?
I was there myself with him
14. What effort did he make to return to his Command and how do you know?
He was now about 1000 miles from him
15. Was applicant captured as a prisoner?
no If so, when and where?
was not captured
 In what prison was he held?
none, never captured and when released?
never captured nor released

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the
13th day of Sept, 1912
T. H. Polk Ordinary.
 of Gilmer County.

AFFIDAVIT OF TWO FREEHOLDERS.

STATE OF GEORGIA.

Gilmer County.
 Personally before me came J. A. Beards & J. H. West who on oath say that they are free holders residing in said County and we know the applicant for pension and we know the property that is now in the possession and control of himself and wife and of its cash value to wit: (Make list by items and value).
67 acres land value \$3000.00
1000 lbs. of cotton 200 lbs. of wool 100 lbs. of sugar 100 lbs. of rice 100 lbs. of corn 100 lbs. of beans 100 lbs. of peas 100 lbs. of lentils 100 lbs. of chick peas 100 lbs. of clover seed 100 lbs. of timothy seed 100 lbs. of alfalfa seed 100 lbs. of clover hay 100 lbs. of timothy hay 100 lbs. of alfalfa hay 100 lbs. of clover straw 100 lbs. of timothy straw 100 lbs. of alfalfa straw 100 lbs. of clover chaff 100 lbs. of timothy chaff 100 lbs. of alfalfa chaff 100 lbs. of clover meal 100 lbs. of timothy meal 100 lbs. of alfalfa meal 100 lbs. of clover bran 100 lbs. of timothy bran 100 lbs. of alfalfa bran 100 lbs. of clover shorts 100 lbs. of timothy shorts 100 lbs. of alfalfa shorts 100 lbs. of clover dust 100 lbs. of timothy dust 100 lbs. of alfalfa dust 100 lbs. of clover seedling 100 lbs. of timothy seedling 100 lbs. of alfalfa seedling 100 lbs. of clover seedling 100 lbs. of timothy seedling 100 lbs. of alfalfa seedling
 1. What property, if any, has been sold or given away by the applicant or his wife since 4 Nov.

1908? (State it fully by items.) none

2. When and to whom was it sold or given to?
To no one
3. What was the price paid or stated to be paid?
no sale or gift made
4. What relation is the party to applicant?
none
5. What disposition was made of the proceeds of the sale?
no sale
6. Was the disposition of this property made in good faith and full value?
no disposition
7. Or was it made to obtain a pension?
no sale at all

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the
13th day of Sept, 1912
T. H. Polk Ordinary.
 of Gilmer County.

ORDINARY'S CERTIFICATE.

STATE OF GEORGIA.

Gilmer County.
 I, T. H. Polk Ordinary of said County, certify that I know the applicant J. A. Beards for Pension as the person he represents himself to be and resides in said County. That I also know J. L. Storer the witness swearing to the service, and J. H. West who are free holders, that they are all residents of said County and were duly sworn by me before signing the foregoing affidavit and they are all truthful and trustworthy and their statements are entitled to full faith and credit. That the Tax Return of Gilmer Co. shows that J. A. Beards and wife value for tax is in 1908 \$ 362 for 1909 \$ 200 for 1910 \$ 557 day of Nov 1910.
 Sworn under my hand and official seal of office this 8 day of Nov 1910.
T. H. Polk Ordinary.
 of Gilmer County.

- NOTES 1. Before any questions are answered the Ordinary shall swear applicant and all witnesses in the following words shall give shall 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 the Ordinary and certified by him.
 4. If applicant has no property at all in his possession, use or control of self and wife, affidavits of Free holders unnecessary.

APPLICATION FOR SOLDIER'S PENSION UNDER ACT 1910.

Questions for Applicants to Answer.

STATE OF GEORGIA,

County, Gilmer

J. A. Boardman of said State and County, hereby applies for the pension provided by Act of 1910, to Confederate Soldiers, and submits his sworn statement, with his testimony to make out the same, and after being duly sworn true answers to make to the questions propounded, answers as follows, to wit:

1. What is your name and where do you reside? (Give County and Post-office).
J. A. Boardman Gilmer, Ga.
2. How long and since when have you been a continuous resident citizen of this State?
over 66 years since June 18th 1864
3. Did you enlist in the Army of the Confederate States or of the Organized Militia of this State from 1861 to 1865? Confederate States
4. When and where, and in what Company and Regiment did you enlist? (Give the arm and class of Service) May 1862, Gilmer, Ga. Co. D 6th Ga. Regt. Cav. Mustered & Rf'd
5. How long did you remain in the actual Military Service with said Company and Regiment? (Give date of discharge). May 1862 to May 12th 1865
6. When and where was your Company and Regiment surrendered or discharged from the Service?
May 12th 1865 at Kingston, Ga.
7. Were you actually present with your Command when it was surrendered or discharged? yes
8. If you were not actually present, state specifically and clearly where you were.
was present
- a. Where was your Command when you left it? never left it
- b. When did you leave the Command? never left it
- c. For what cause did you leave? never left it
- d. By whose authority did you leave? never left it
- e. For how long was your leave granted? In what way? never was granted
- f. Why did you not return to your Command after leave expired? never left my Command
- g. In what way were you prevented? never left my Command
- h. What effort did you make to return? never was absent from my Command
- i. Were you captured during the war? no
- j. If so, when, and where? In what prison were you held and when were you released?
was never captured
- k. What property of every description was owned, in the use, possession and control of yourself and wife, and its cash value on the 4. Nov. 1908? (Make list by items and value.)
80 acres land and small land value \$500.00
1 mule 2 cows 1 pig 1 dog 1 horse 127.00
1 horse 1 cow 1 pig 1 dog 1 horse 40.00
10. What property of any kind have you or your wife disposed of and for what purpose since 4. Nov. 1908. To whom and for what price? none to any one

11. What property of any description of any kind, and of any value now owned and in the use, possession and control of yourself and wife and its cash value? (Make itemized list).
80 acres land \$500.00
1 mule 2 cows 1 pig 1 dog 1 horse 127.00
1 horse 1 cow 1 pig 1 dog 1 horse 40.00

12. What annual or monthly income or earnings of yourself and wife and the source derived have you?
none except what we make on the place

13. Are you drawing a pension of any amount from this State or the United States? no

14. Have you ever applied for the Georgia Pension and had it refused? and for what cause it was not allowed? Applied but was refused because I was not a soldier

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the

15 day of Sept 1910

Ordinary,

County, Gilmer

Prison
11/25-1911
The 6th Regt
Cavalry did
not surrender
at Kingston, Ga.
was mustered out
in 1865
leaving a unit
that was
not disbanded
until 1865
and then
was disbanded
at Kingston
Ga.

Boardman, J. A.
Gilmer Co
10th Nov 1908

No. 10

Confederate
Soldier's Application.
UNDER ACT 1910.

County, Gilmer

Name, J. A. Boardman

Company, D

Regiment, 6th Ga Cavalry
Co. A. 10th Nov 1908

Approved, W. Lindsey
Commissioner of

State of Georgia, State Printer, Atlanta.

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Georgia, Wilkes County.

Personally came before the undersigned
Ordinary, Jas A Bearden of said County who
on oath says,

I was honorably furloughed by
my superior officers from the 6th Ga Cav. about
Oct 1864, on account of being disabled for
duty, caused by Chimeric diarrhea and a dumb
ague and came home to Wilkes Co Ga where
I soon enlisted in Capt. Clark's Co. A. Ral-
ston's Battalion and all soldiers north of the
Chattahoochee river were ordered to join
Genl Wofford's Command and I did so
and served with him in the above Co & Regt
from about Nov 1864 to the May 12th 1865 ^{and surrendered}
at Kingston, Ga. and have my parole receipt
attached. I never was absent without leave.
I was furloughed by my superior officers,
Sumner & and subscribed before me

This May 26 1911

J. H. Gobbs
Ordinary

John A Bearden
make

Georgia, Wilkes County.

Personally came before the undersigned
Ordinary, John L. Storer - who on oath says;

I know the above applicant of John A
Bearden to be true. I was with him in the
same Co & Regt he names and all soldiers
north of the Chattahoochee river were ordered
and to join Genl Wofford. He & I and our Com-
mands did so and served from about Nov 1864
to the close of the war. I saw Jas A Bearden receive the
parole receipt attached.
Sumner & and subscribed before me
This May 26 1911

J. L. Storer
Ordinary

Georgia, Wilkes County.

Personally appeared before the under-
signed Ordinary, B. G. Charles, who on
oath says,

I know that all soldiers north
of the Chattahoochee river were ordered to
join Genl Wofford, and the number
of wounded soldiers then and there then
here paroled made up a large force.
We served under him and surrendered under
him at Kingston, Ga. May 12th 1865
Sumner & and subscribed before me.

This May 26 1911

J. H. Gobbs

Ordinary

B. G. Charles

Georgia, Wilkes County.

This is to certify that I am personally
well acquainted with Jas A Bearden
the applicant and with John L. Storer
and B. G. Charles the witnesses and
that their statements herein made under
oath are worthy of full faith and
credit.

Given under my official signature
and seal of office This May 26 1911

J. H. Gobbs

Ordinary

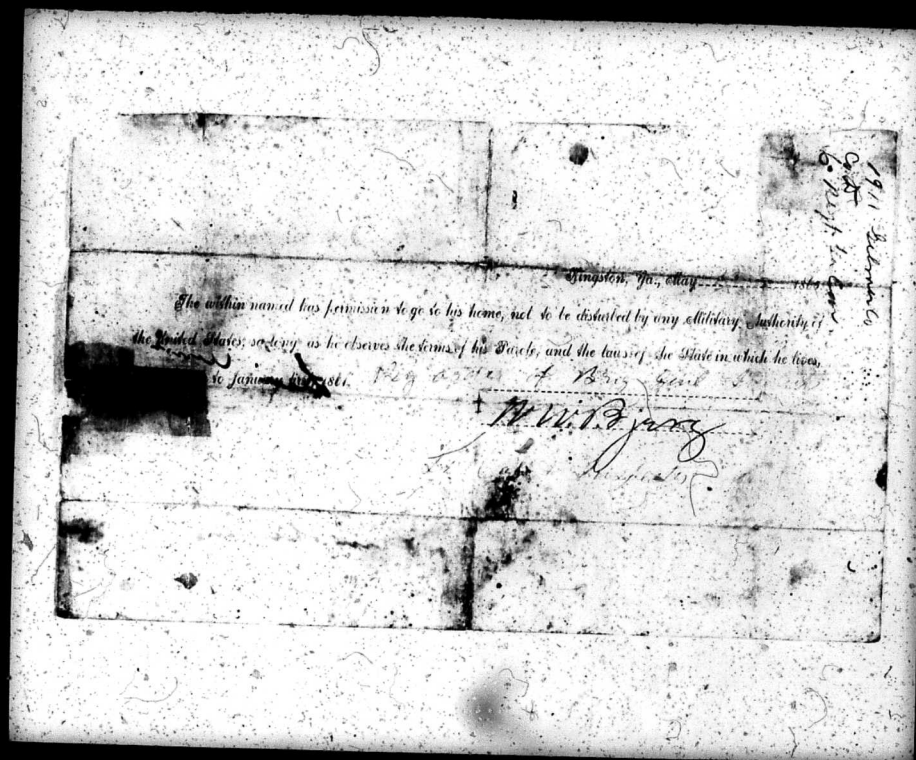
Kingsdon, Ga., May 22nd 1865.

This is to certify that
a Private of Co. 1, 1st Regiment of Col. 1st
has this day been duly paroled by virtue of the terms of the surrender of Brig. Gen'l W.
T. Hafford, C. S. A., and the Confederate Forces of Northern Georgia, to Brig. Gen'l
W. M. Smith, U. S. A., at Kingsdon, Ga., May 22nd 1865, not to take up arms
against the Government of the United States, until duly exchanged.

Wm. Smith

Col. W. M. Smith

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as required by
law
J. W. Lindsey
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Bearden, S. A. (Mrs)

Office 1911

Bearden, S. A.

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Widow's Pension

UNDER ACT 1910.

County

Cherokee

Name

Mrs. S. A. Bearden

Widow of

R. G. Bearden

L. G. Bearden, C.S.A.
v. S. A. Bearden, C.S.A.

J. W. LINDSEY,
Commissioner of Pensions.

Chas. F. Byrd, State Printer.

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1. What is your name and where do you reside? J. A. Bearden, Gilmer, Ga.
 2. How long and since when have you known Mrs. S. A. Bearden applicant? 50 yrs.
 3. How long and since when has she continuously resided in this State? (Give date.)
50 yrs or more, since 1860, to my knowledge.
 4. When and to whom was she married? How do you know? R. G. Bearden, my brother.
 5. How long and since when did you know along life, R. G. Bearden her husband? all my life.
 6. When, where and in what Company and Regiment did May 1862, R. G. Bearden enlist? May 1862, 4th Reg. Ga. Co. D. 6th Ga. Cavalry.
 7. Were you a member of the same Company? yes
 8. How long within your personal knowledge did he perform actual military service with his Company and Regiment? From enlistment to close of war 1865.
 9. When, and where did his Command surrender, and was discharged? Kings Mountain Ga.
 10. Were you personally present when it was surrendered? yes If not where were you was present and how came you there? was at surrender at close of war
 11. Was the husband of applicant personally present at surrender? yes If not where was he? was present when, where and for what cause did he leave Command? (Give date.) never left it By whose authority did he leave this Command? never left it and how long was he granted leave? none at all, never left. How do you know all this? husband's personal knowledge. Do you state if of your own personal knowledge? (State all you know fully, and how you know it.) yes
 12. For what cause, if you know of your own knowledge was he prevented from returning to his Command? never left his Command
 13. What effort did he make to return to his Command and how do you know this? Of your own knowledge or how? never left it
 Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 15th day of Sept, 1910 J. F. M. West Ordinary, Gilmer County.

AFFIDAVIT OF TWO FREEHOLDERS.

STATE OF GEORGIA,

Gilmer County.

Personally before me comes J. F. M. West & S. H. West who on oath says that they are freeholders of said County and that they know Mrs. S. A. Bearden of said County and know what property she owned on 4th Nov. 1908, and its cash value to be as set out by Schedule (A) as follows: 205 acres poor mountain land value \$700.00

Personal property	\$	164
Notes and accounts due	\$	
Total	\$	864

Schedule (B).

We know the property sold or given away since Nov. 4th 1908, its cash value to be as follows:

Personal property	\$	2.00
Money, Notes and accounts	\$	

Schedule (C).

We also know what property she has now in her possession, use and control to wit:

205	Acres of land worth	\$	700.00
	Horses and Mules	\$	100.00
	Cows and Hogs	\$	42.00
	Other property	\$	20.00
	Income and earnings	\$	
	Total Value of all property and effects	\$	862

Sworn and subscribed before me this the

15th day of Sept, 1910 J. F. M. West Ordinary, Gilmer County.

ORDINARY'S CERTIFICATE.

STATE OF GEORGIA,

Gilmer County.

I, J. H. Taber Ordinary of said County do certify that I know Mrs. S. A. Bearden the applicant for pension. She is the person she represents herself to be and she is a bonafide continuing resident citizen of said County and was in the 4th Nov. 1908.

That I also know J. A. Bearden the witness who swears to the service of husband, and J. F. M. West & S. H. West who are freeholders. That all of them are now residents of said County and were duly sworn by me before signing the foregoing affidavits and that they all, are truthful, trustworthy, and their statements are entitled to full faith and credit.

That the Tax Returns Gilmer Co. Returned for Tax, is for 1908 \$ 2.57 for 1910 \$ 3.02

Sworn under my hand and official seal of office this 9 day of Nov 1910

SEAL J. H. Taber Ordinary, Gilmer County.

(SEAL)
 NOTES 1. Before any questions are answered the Ordinary shall swear applicant and the witness in the following words: "You do solemnly swear that you will true answers make to each of the questions asked you and the evidence you shall give will be the truth. So help you God."
 2. Additional affidavits may be attached if blank spaces are insufficient.
 3. All affidavits must be made before the Ordinary.
 4. Only widows who married prior to first January 1870, are entitled.
 5. Attach certified copies of marriage license if obtainable. If not, prove marriage, by some person, or by general reputation.

Gilmer, Gilmer County:
 Personally before me J. F. M. West and S. H. West who on oath say they are 70 years and 68 of age respectively; that have lived near Mrs. S. A. Bearden and R. G. Bearden till he died; that they were not at her marriage but that they know of their own personal knowledge that R. G. Bearden and Mrs. S. A. Bearden lived together as man and wife since before the Civil war and that she has not remained since R. G. Bearden's death.

Sworn to and subscribed before me J. F. M. West the Sept 12 1910 S. H. West

J. H. Taber
 Ord.

Georgia Gilmer County

Personally came before the undersigned acting Officer B & Charles who on oath says:-

I know that all soldiers with of the Chattahoochee river were commanded to join Gen. Wofford. The number of soldiers who were at home wounded and are fullblows made quite a force to and to Wofford

Sworn to & subscribed before me,

This May 26 1911

T. H. Taber

Ord.

B. & Charles

Georgia Gilmer County

This certifies that I am personally well acquainted with Mrs. J. A. Bearden the applicant and J. A. Bearden and B. & Charles & J. L. Stone the witnesses and their statements are worthy of full faith & credit.

Witness my hand & seal

This May 26 1911

T. H. Taber

Ordinary

Georgia

Personally came before Barton County J. M. Dickson, Davis, now of this County, who after being sworn says on oath that he knew Richard F. Bearden and Mrs. Sarah A. Bantlett of Gilmer County ^{where} when they were young people, and unmarried, that he was present at the marriage of the above named parties, that they were married by Esq. Russell in either 1858-1859. That she is now the lawful widow of the said Richard F. Bearden he the said Bearden having died several years ago, and she not having remarried since the death of the said Bearden.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, July 15th 1911 J. M. Dickson & Davis his Clerk
Barton County Ga.

This is to certify that Richard Bearden
 of Co. E. 2nd Cavalry Regt. of
 Kingdon, Ga., May 24 1865.
 has this day been duly paroled by virtue of the terms of the surrender of Brig. Genl W.
 T. Wofford, C. S. A., and the Confederate Forces of Northern Georgia, to Brig. Genl
 H. C. Gilbert, U. S. A., at Kingdon, Ga., May 24 1865, not to take up arms
 against the Government of the United States, until duly exchanged.

L. H. Martin

Capt. & Co. 1st Cavalry Regt.

Georgia, Gilmer County

Personally came before the under-
 designed attesting Ordway, Mrs. J. E. Bearden
 who on oath says: -

My husband, R. G.

Bearden of C. S. 6th Ga. Cav. came home about
 Aug. 1864 with a bad eye, which went out
 of about 100 yds. He never could see out of this eye
 till death. There was nothing the matter with his eye
 before he was. He came home in the Lincolnville
 funeral home. He got better the first time & returned.
 The second time he remained in Ga. He was com-
 manded to join Gen Wofford & he enlisted in Co.
 A (Capt. Clint Co.) 1st Cavalry Bat. I made
 the flag that he marched out under. He served
 till close of the war and surrendered at Kingdon
 Ga. May 12 1865. Under Gen Wofford. And
 I have paroled his parole to this day and I hereto attest
 the same. He joined this last Co. & Regt. soon after
 getting home. He had his funeral papers properly
 signed up by his superior officers, when he last
 came home.

Witness my hand and subscribed before me
 this May 26 1911

J. H. Fisher

Ordway

Georgia, Gilmer County

Personally came before the undersigned Ordway, J. H.
 Bearden and J. L. Stone who on oath say

We know the above off death of Mrs. J. E.

Bearden & he true. We served & surrendered
 with her husband R. G. Bearden in the same Co. & Regt.
 All soldiers north of the Chattahoochee river were com-
 manded to join Gen Wofford & he & wife did so.
 He was our orderly sergeant.
 Witness my hand and subscribed before me
 this May 26 1911

J. H. Fisher, Ord.

J. E. Bearden
 J. L. Stone

Kingston, Jan. 20th 1861

The within named person is hereby notified that he is prohibited by any military authority of the United States, so long as he occupies the premises of his estate, and the lands of the State in which he lives, in force from the January first, 1861.

By order of J. B. Magraw, Sec. of War
M. W. B. Magraw
Col & Asst. Surg. Genl.

Kington, Ga., May 12th 1863.

This is to certify that

Richard Beardsley

of the

8th Cavalry Regt.

Regiment of

2nd Div.

has, this day been duly sworn by virtue of the terms of the surrender of Brig. Genl W. T. Wofford, C. S. A., and the Confederate Forces of Northern Georgia, to Brig. Genl W. M. Smith, U. S. A., at Kington, Ga., May 12th 1863, not to take up arms against the Government of the United States, until duly exchanged.

Wm. Smith

Col. 1st Div. 2nd Corps, U. S. A.

1-14-27

Disapproved by lack of evidence of spouse of husband

Disapproved by lack of evidence of spouse of husband

WIDOW'S APPLICATION

Under Act of 1910—As Amended by Act of 1919, and Constitutional Amendment of 1920.

County Gilmer
 Name Sarah J. Bearden
 Widow of B. F. Bearden
 Date of Marriage August 24th, 1865
 Company Col. Haynes
 Regiment 6th Reg. Battalion
 Approved _____

No record

C. E. MCGREGOR.
 Commissioner of Pensions.

12-6-26 *E*

STATE OF GEORGIA.

GILMER

COUNTY

I, R. J. Goble,

Ordinary of said County, certify that I know

Sarah J. Bearden, the applicant for pension; that she is the personable representative herself to be, and that she has been, continuously, a bona fide resident citizen of said State, since January 1st, 1920; that I also know J. L. Storer, the witness, who swears to the service; that both of them are now residents of said County and were duly sworn by me before signing the foregoing affidavit, and they are truthful and trustworthy and their statements are entitled to full faith and credit.

Sworn under my hand and official seal of office this 2nd day of December, 1926.

(SEAL OF ORDINARY)

of R. J. Goble Ordinary
Gilmer County

Instructions:

1. Before any questions are answered, the Ordinary shall swear applicant and the witness in the following words: "You do solemnly swear that you will true answers make to each of the questions asked you and the witnesses you."
2. Additional affidavits may be taken from witnesses and applicant.
3. Only widows who married prior to January 1st, 1865, are entitled.
4. All affidavits must be made before the Ordinary of the County in which the applicant or witness resides and must be certified by such Ordinary.
5. Affidavits, copies of marriage license if obtainable. If not, prove marriage by some person, or by general reputation.
6. Fill out the back of the application carefully.
7. Don't use the bulky form of Marriage Certificate in vogue throughout the State. A short, simple form is easier to handle.

1-14-27

*Disapproved, lack of evidence
of service of husband
Wile*

WIDOW'S APPLICATION

Under Act of 1910—As Amended by
Act of 1919, and Constitutional
Amendment of 1920.

County Gilmer
Name Sarah J. Bearden
Widow of B. I. Bearden
Date of Marriage August 24th, 1865
Company Col. Haynes
Regiment 6 Wa. Battalion
Approved _____

No record

C. E. McCREGER
Commissioner of Pensions.

12-6-26

Ordinary's Certificate

STATE OF GEORGIA.

GILMER

COUNTY.

I, R. J. Goble, Ordinary of said County, certify that I know
Sarah J. Bearden, the applicant for pension; that she is the person she repre-
sents herself to be, and that she has been, continuously, a bona fide resident citizen of said State since
January 1st, 1920; that I also know J. L. Stover, the witness, who swears
to the service; that both of them are now residents of said County and were duly sworn by me before
signing the foregoing affidavits, and they are truthful and trustworthy and their statements are enti-
tled to full faith and credit.

Sworn under my hand and official seal of office this 2nd day of December, 1926.

(SEAL OF ORDINARY.)

of Gilmer County

Instructions:

1. Before any questions are answered the Ordinary shall swear applicant and the witness in the following words:
"You do solemnly swear that you will true answers make to each of the questions asked you and the evidence you
give shall be the whole truth. So help you God."
2. Additional affidavits may be attached if blank spaces are sufficient.
3. Only widows who married prior to January 1st, 1881, are entitled.
4. All affidavits must be made before the Ordinary of the County in which the applicant or witness resides and must
be certified by such Ordinary.
5. Attach certified copies of marriage license if obtainable. If not, prove marriage, by some person, or by general
reputation.
6. Fill out the back of the application carefully.
7. Don't use the bulky form of Marriage Certificate in vogue throughout the State. A short, simple form is easier to
handle.

APPLICATION FOR PENSION BY A WIDOW

Under Act of 1910, as Amended by Act of 1919, and Constitutional
Amendment of 1920

QUESTIONS FOR APPLICANT TO ANSWER:

STATE OF GEORGIA,

Gilmer COUNTY.

Personally appears before me, Sarah J. Bearden of said State and County
and hereby applies for the pension allowed by the Act of 1910, as amended by the Act of 1919 and the
Constitutional Amendment of 1920, and submits testimony to support the same, and after being duly
sworn true answers to make to the questions propounded, answers as follows, to-wit:

1. What is your name, and where do you reside? (Give Post Office and County.)
Sarah J. Bearden and husband at Hartley, Gilmer County, Ga.
2. How long and since when have you been, continuously, a bona fide resident citizen of the State of
Georgia? all my life
3. When, where and to whom were you married?
to B. I. Bearden in Gilmer County, Ga.
a. Have you married since the death of first and soldier husband?
4. When, where and in what Company and Regiment did your husband enlist as a soldier in Confed-
erate Army or Georgia Militia? (State the arms and class of Service, and give names of Colonel and
Captain.) Haynes Co. 6th Va. Inf. Capt. Patton
5. When and where did the commands of your husband surrender or discharge from the Service?
at Kingston, Va.
6. Was your husband personally present with his command when it was surrendered or discharged?
7. If he was not present, state specifically and clearly where he was.
8. When did he leave the Command?
a. For what cause did he leave?
b. By whose authority did he leave?
c. For how long was his leave of absence granted? In what way?
- c. What was his physical condition when he left his command?
- f. What effort did he make to return to his Command?
- g. In what way was he prevented from going back to Command?
- h. Was he captured by the enemy at any time?
- i. If so, when and where? In what prison was he held and when was he released?
- j. When and where did your first husband die?
- k. Were you residing together when he died?
1. If not, how long had you resided apart?
- m. Are you now a widow?
9. Have you or your husband heretofore been paid a pension by the State of Georgia, or any other
State, or the United States?
If so when and for what cause were you or your husband placed on the roll?

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the

2nd day of December, 1926.

R. J. Goble Ordinary

of Gilmer County

(SEAL OF ORDINARY.)

Applicant.

"The name Bluford F. Bearden has not been found on the muster roll of Ralston's Co., Smith's Legion, C. S. A., dated July 4, 1863, (only roll on file). Nor upon the muster rolls of Co. B, 8th. Ga. Cavalry, C.S.A., from Jan. 1, 1863 to April 30, 1863, (latest on file).

Nor has any record been found of his service, capture or parole as of either organization.

The records show that one Bluford F. Bearden, who enlisted at Cass Station, Ga., served in Co. E, 8th. Battn. Ga. Inf., C. S. A."

(Washington Record)

"The records show that Bluford F. Bearden, Pvt. Co. E, 8th. Batt'n. Ga. Inf., C. S. A., enlisted Dec. 5, 1861 at Cass Station, Ga. On roll for Jan. & Feb., 1864, he is reported; Deserted August 29, 1863. His name is not borne on subsequent rolls of this organization which covers the period from Jan. & Feb., 1864 to August 31, 1864."

(Washington Record.)

Questions for Witness as to Service of Husband and Marriage

STATE OF GEORGIA,

COUNTY.

of said State and County is hereby presented as a witness in support of the application of Sarah J. Bearden for the pension provided by the Act of 1910, as amended by the Act of 1919 and the Constitutional Amendment of 1920, in said State, who, after being sworn true answers to make to the questions propounded, answers as follows, to-wit:

1. What is your name and where do you reside? I. L. Stover, and J. H. Stover, at
Pragah, Libner County, Georgia

2. How long and since when have you known Sarah J. Bearden applicant
all her life

3. Where does she now reside, and since when has she been, continuously, a bona fide, resident citizen of this State? Libner County, Ga all her life

4. When and to whom was she married? B. F. Bearden How do you know? I have been on their home and saw them living together as husband and wife
they were recognized as husband and wife in the community where I lived

5. How long and since when did you know B. F. Bearden her
husband? from 1862 until his death

6. When and where did B. F. Bearden
the husband of applicant, die? About the year of 1890, in Libner County, Ga

7. Were the applicant and her husband living together as husband and wife at the date of his death? Yes

8. If not, how long did they live apart before his death?
Were they divorced?

9. When, where and in what Company and Regiment did B. F. Bearden enlist?
(Give date and place and names of Colonel and Captain.) I don't remember but he
Col. Harn, Capt. Ralston

10. How did you obtain your information of this service? I served with him

11. How long within your personal knowledge did he perform actual military service with this Company and Regiment? (Give dates.) from 1862 until the surrender

12. Who and where was his Command surrendered or discharged? (Give date and place.)
at Kingston, Va. May the 13th, 1865

13. Were you personally present with this Command when it was surrendered? Yes

If not, where were you? and how came you there?

14. Was the husband of applicant personally present with his Command at its surrender? Yes

If not where was he? and how came him there?

When, where and for what cause did he leave his Command? (Give date.)

By whose authority did he leave his Command?

and how long was he granted leave?
How do you know all that you have stated to be true? (If of your own knowledge, state clearly and specifically).

15. For what cause, if you know of your own knowledge, was he prevented from returning to his Command?

16. What effort did he make to return to his Command and how do you know this?

17. Was he captured as a prisoner? No If so, when and where?

In what prison was he held? and when released?

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the
2nd day of December, 1926

R. J. Stover, Ordinary
of Libner County

(Witness)

November 15, 1928.

Hon. Frank P. Burts,
Ordinary of Cherokee County,
Canton, Ga.

My dear Judge:

Your letter of November 14, regarding the application of Mrs. Sarah Jane Bearden for a pension as the widow of Bluford Bearden has been received, and very carefully noted.

This application was disapproved for the reason that it was impossible to find any record of the husband of the applicant or the witness. However, I have made an examination of the application of J. L. Stover, the witness, which was filed in 1910, and have found that he claimed on his papers the 8th Georgia Cavalry. I am endeavoring to get an official record of J. L. Stover and B. F. Bearden in the command claimed in the application of the witness as the applicant claimed on the application of Mrs. Bearden could not be identified.

As soon as a reply is received from the War Department, I will be glad to communicate further with you.

With kindest regards,

Very truly yours,

John W. Clark
Commissioner of Pensions

By: _____

Clerk

November 22, 1928.

Hon. Frank P. Burts,
Ordinary of Cherokee County,
Canton, Ga.

My dear Judge:

Your letter of November 17, regarding pension application of Mrs. Sarah Jane Bearden, the widow of Bluford Bearden has been received.

The Jacob Newton Bearden referred to in your letter was enrolled in 1927 as a member of Ralston's Battalion, but Bluford F. Bearden has not been found on the rolls of this company nor of Co. D., 8th Ga. Cavalry.

Also J. L. Stover (not Stone) who witnessed Mrs. Bearden's application, is shown officially to have been a member of Co. D, 8th Georgia Cavalry, but is not accounted for after April 30, 1863.

The War Department reports: "The records show that one Bluford F. Bearden who enlisted at Cass Station, Georgia, served in Co. E, 8th Battalion Ga. Inf., U.S.A.; and we are endeavoring to get a record of this soldier in this command, and will report to you as soon as this record is received.

With kind regards,

Very truly yours,

John W. Clark
Commissioner of Pensions

By: _____

Clerk

1910 ^{John} L. Storer

Conf. May 1864

Ellijay, Ga.

Co. D. 1st Va. Cav.

Wounded in the surrender

May 12 - 1865 - at

Appomattox, Va.

Co. A. Patchm's Bat

Capt. Clout

John A. Bearden
same Co. & Regt.

January 26, 1927.

Hon. R. J. Coble,
Ordinary of Gilmer County,
Ellijay, Ga.

My dear Judge:

I have not been able to approve the application of Sarah J. Bearden, the widow of E. F. Bearden for the reason that there is not sufficient evidence of service of husband.

With kind regards,

Very truly yours,

Commissioner of Pensions

STATE OF GEORGIA, COUNTY OF CHEROKEE

FRANK P. BURTZ, Ordinary
LEE SPEAR, Sheriff
W. D. MILLER, Tax Collector
K. HILLING, Surveyor



Commissioner of Roads and Revenues
OLIN FINCHER
W. E. REECE, Clerk

CANTON, GEORGIA

Nov. 10th, 1928.

Hon. John W. Clark,
Commissioner of Pensions,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Sir:

At the request of Mrs. Rachel Cochran, a daughter of Mrs. Sarah Jane Bearden, the latter the widow of Bluford Bearden, said to have been a Soldier in the Confederate Army, I am writing you for information, regarding an Application filed by the Widow, in Gilmer County, in 1927. Considering the facts just stated, I suggested to Mrs. Cochran that she go up to Ellijay, and take the matter up with the Ordinary, which she did, and Judge Goble told her that you acknowledged receipt of the Application, and advised him that "a little more proof was required", Etc. That you did not return the Application---just wrote him a short note. The widow had no notice that more proof was wanted, and Judge Goble, it seems, did not do anything further in the matter. Will you kindly look into the matter, and advise me what, if anything further, can be done for the Widow. Mr. Bearden died in 1890, and it is said, had never applied for a Pension. Said widow recently moved to this County, and is living with her daughter, Mrs. Cochran.

Very Truly Yours,
Frank P. Burtz ORDINARY.

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Commissioner of Roads and Revenues
OLIN FINCHER
W. E. REECE, Clerk

CANTON, GEORGIA

Nov. 17th, 1928.

Hon. John W. Clark,
Commissioner of Pensions,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Sir:

Yours of 15th. *for 15th Nov 1928*

I note you have written the War Department, Washington, regarding Application of Mrs. Sarah Jane Bearden, widow of Bluford Bearden, for Pension, and that on receipt of reply you will write me. Mrs. Cochran sent me this morning, some further information, which may help you in finding Mr. Bearden's record. Newton Bearden, a Brother of Bluford Bearden, was in the Same Company, and is, or was, up to about a year ago (may have since died) on Pension Roll in Whitfield County. Further: J. L. Stone was also in same Company with the two Bearden's, and was Paid a Pension in Gilmer County ^{sometime} prior to his death. His original Application should be on file in your office, and may contain information not found elsewhere.

With best Wishes,

Very truly yours,

Frank P. Burtz ORDINARY.

J. P. Stone not Stone

(over)

State of Georgia

Pension Department

Atlanta

JOHN W. CLARK
COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS

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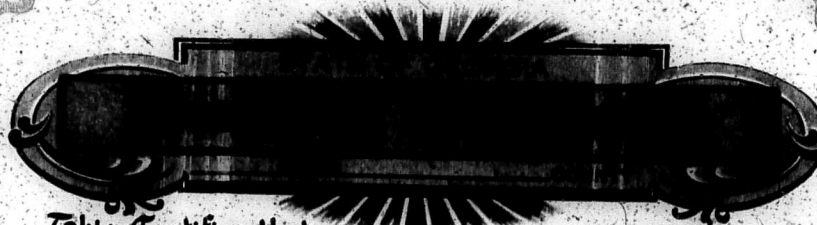
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(Washington Record)

Capt. Klontz Co.
+ Ralston's Battalion

The records show that John L. Klontz, priv., Co. D. 6th Ga. Cav., O.S.A., enlisted May 16, 1862. On the muster roll from Jan 5 - to Apr. 30, 1863, last on file, he was reported

"Absent to procure a horse, by order of Gen. Davis?"
No later record of him has been found."



This Certifies that E. F. Hutton,

and Sarah Jane Stone,

WERE UNITED IN THE HOLY BONDS OF MATRIMONY

By James West, M.C.

On the 24th day of August, in the year of our Lord 1926

as appears of record in my office in Marriage Record, book 1852 to 1875

page 200. This 3rd day of December 1926

R. J. Goble,

Ordinary

MARSHALL & BRUCE CO., NASHVILLE