

POWER OF ATTORNEY.

STATE OF GEORGIA.

Wilcox County.

Mary E. Blankenship hereby authorizes Wm. H. Wright of Wilcox County, to receive and receipt for the pension allowed and that he

remit the same to me at Wilcox Ga. by his check or registered mail any City.

Witness my hand this 29th day of March 1901

Presented in presence of

Willie Ordinary,

Wilcox County.

Mary E. Blankenship L. S.



Office Com. of Pensions.

4-19-1901.

Applicant must state specifically in what manner the wound was received June 65 that prevented him from returning to his command afterwards, and that the result of this injury was such as to prevent him from performing military duty. She is the owner of real-estate of value, and is not so indigent as to justify the grant to her of a pension.

J. W. Lindsey.
Com. of Pensions

Count allow for pension not due yet - owns property 4/9-1902

Blankenship, Mary E.
Gilmer County
Additional papers.
Disapproved 4/9/1902

WIDOW'S Indigent Pension. 1901.

Name Mary E. Blankenship
County Gilmer
Widow of McBayer Blankenship
C. A. 65 yrs
Approved _____ 1901

JOHN W. LINDSEY,
Commissioner of Pensions.

WARRANT HANDED TO

1901

Geo. W. Harrison, State Printer, Atlanta, Ga.

6/28/01 4/3-1902

POWER OF ATTORNEY.

STATE OF GEORGIA.

Gilmer County.

I Mary E. Blankenship hereby authorize Hon. W. A. Wright of Fulton County, to receive and receipt for the pension allowed and that he remit the same to me at Ellijay Ga. by his check or registered mail. Cash Only

Witness my hand this 27th day of March 1901

Executed in presence of

J. C. Allen Ordinary,

Gilmer County.

Mary E. Blankenship maile

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Office Com. of Pensions.

4-19-1901.

Applicant must state specifically in what manner the wound was received in June 83 that prevented him from re-joining to his command afterwards, and give that the result of this injury is such as to prevent him from performing military duty. She is the owner of real-estate of value, and is so indigent as to justify the grant to her of a pension.

J. W. Lindsey.
Com. of Pensions

WIDOW'S

Indigent Pension.

1901.

Mary E. Blankenship

Gilmer

Mary E. Blankenship

W. A. Wright

27th March

JOHN W. LINDSEY,

Commissioner of Pensions

WARRANT HAND TO

1901

John W. Lindsey, State Printer, Atlanta, Ga.

March 27-1901

Questions for Applicant.

STATE OF GEORGIA,

Gilmer County.

I Mary E. Blankenship of said State and County, desiring to avail herself of the Pension allowed to Indigent Widows of Confederate Soldiers, under Act of General Assembly, passed 1900, 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 name and where do you reside? (Give State, County and Post Office.) Mary E. Blankenship - Ellijay Co. Gilmer Co. Ga.
2. How long and since when have you been a resident of this State? Over 40 years - and since before the year 1860
3. When and where were you born? March 16, 1839 - Pisano Co. S.C.
4. When and where was your husband born—state his full name, and when were you and he married? Abner 1839 - Gausey Co. S.C. - McEager Blankenship - Morris Kelly 24th 1861
5. When and where, and in what Company and Regiment did your husband enlist or serve during the war between the States? May 1862 - at Ellijay Ga in Co. A 65th Regt Ga vols.
6. How long did your husband serve in said Company and Regiment? 16 months till June 1863, and was then transferred to the 6th Ga Regt of Cav - Col Grant.
7. When and where did your husband's Company and Regiment surrender and was discharged? Do not know
8. Was your husband present at the time and place when his Company and Regiment surrendered? No
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? At home wounded in foot & ankle - about fall of 1863, sent home by Col. Grant on account of wounds.
10. When and where did your husband die? Oct 8th 1889 - in Gilmer Co. Ga.
11. Which of the following grounds do you base your application for Pension, viz: First—Age and Poverty; Second—Infirmary and Poverty, or Third—Blindness and Poverty? Second
12. If upon the first ground, state how long you have been in such a condition that you cannot earn your support. If upon the second, give a full and complete history of the infirmity and its extent. If upon the third, state whether you are totally blind, and when and where you lost your sight. Fluttering of heart and affliction of back, general debility and weak limbs.
13. What has been your occupation since your husband's death? Domestic work
14. How much can you earn gross, by your own exertion or labor? Nothing now
15. What property, real or personal, or income do you have or possess, and its gross value? Nothing, but a poor broken piece of land, worth about \$75.00
16. What property, real or personal, did you possess at death of husband or he left you, and of the year 1899-1900, and what disposition, if any, by sale or gift, have you made of the same? Just the same as stated above
17. In what counties did you reside in 1899 and 1900, and what property did you return for taxation? In Gilmer Co. Ga. The said land, valued at from \$75.00 to \$100.
18. How have you been supported since death of husband, and especially for 1899 and 1900? By help of my children and others
19. How much did your support cost for each of those years, and how much did you contribute by your own labor or income? From \$60 -- Nothing
20. What was your employment during 1899 and 1900—how much did you receive for each year? Had none - Received nothing
21. Have you a family? If so, who compose such family? Give their means of support. Have they any lands or other property? No - Children grown and married - to land and money, little personal property - the very poor
22. Have you ever made an application for pension before? Yes - as widow of invalid soldier
23. How many applications have you made for a Pension, and under what claim? Once only, as stated, but as my husband did not die from his wounds, it failed.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 27th day of March 1901, at Gilmer County, Mary E. Blankenship maile

J. C. Allen Ordinary,

Questions for Witnesses.

STATE OF GEORGIA,

County.

Gilmer
B. G. Charles

of said State and County, having been presented as a witness in support of the Application of Mrs. Mary E. Blackenship for a Pension under the Act of 1900, and after having been duly sworn true answers to make to the following questions, deposes and answers as follows:

1. What is your name and where do you reside? B. G. Charles - Gilmer Co. Ga.
2. Are you acquainted with the applicant, Mrs. Mary E. Blackenship? Yes - Over forty years
3. Where does she reside, and how long and since when has she been a resident of this State? In Gilmer Co. Ga. - Since 41 years, and since before 1860.
4. When and where was she born? Do not know
5. Were you ever acquainted with her husband? Yes.
6. Where did he reside in 1861? In Gilmer Co. Ga.
7. When and to whom was he married? Feb 1861 - to Mary E. Sanford
8. When and where was he born? Do not know
9. How long have you known him? About 43 years.
10. When and where did McLagan Blackenship enlist in the war between the States, and in what Company and Regiment did he enlist and how do you know this? In May 1862, at Elley Co. in Co. I 65th Regt to War. I was present.
11. Were you a member of the same Company and Regiment? Yes more than 12 months till he was transferred to 6th Regt Ga Cav.
12. How long did he perform regular military duty? More than 12 months
13. When and where was his Company and Regiment surrendered and discharged from service? Do not know - He went to the Cavalry about June 1863.
14. Were you with the command when it surrendered? No
15. Was McLagan Blackenship the husband of applicant present? No. He was at home, badly wounded.
16. If not present, where was he? At home badly wounded
17. When and where did he leave his Command? Do not know.
- For what cause? For the wounds of course.
- By whose authority he left? Can not say
- How do you know all this? (State fully and clearly.) I saw him some months after he was wounded - About Jan'y 1864 - he was then on crutches - I saw him in August 1864 - and he was still on crutches, and was crippled for life.
18. When and where did McLagan Blackenship die? About 1889 in Gilmer Co. Ga.
19. Where did he reside at his death and how long had he been a resident of Georgia at his death? In Gilmer Co. Ga. - For more than 30 years
20. Do you of your own knowledge know that applicant is the lawful widow of McLagan Blackenship? She was always recognized as his lawful wife in his lifetime.
21. Has she remained unmarried since her soldier husband's death, and is now his widow? Yes.
22. What property, effects or income has the applicant, if any, and how do you know this of your own knowledge? Do not know enough about this to answer.
23. What property, effects or income did applicant possess in 1899 and 1900 and what disposition did she make of it? Can not say.
24. Has applicant conveyed any property in last two years or given any away, if so what was it and to whom? Do not know.
25. What is applicant's physical condition and her chances and ability to earn a support? Cannot say positively, she looks emaciated and feeble and shows much debility in her appearance and movements.

26. Is applicant able to earn a support at labor of any sort, if not why? She is thin and judging from her general appearance.

27. How was she supported for 1899 and 1900? Do not know.

28. How much did applicant contribute to her support for last two years? Do not know.

29. Give a full and complete statement of applicant's physical condition? I have stated that she looks feeble and emaciated, and shows debility and a general breakdown.

30. "What interest have you in the recovery of this pension by the applicant? None.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 27th day of March 1901
J. C. Bell Ordinary.
Gilmer County.
B. G. Charles Witnesses.

Affidavits of Physicians.

STATE OF GEORGIA,

County.

Personally before me comes James M. Bearden and Joseph B. Bearden both known to me to be reputable physicians of said county, who, being severally sworn, say on oath that they have examined carefully Mrs. Mary E. Blackenship applicant for a Pension under Act of 1900, and after such personal examination say that her physical condition is this age 63 and Constitutionally broken down and totally disabled to provide for her self. and we have no interest in said pension if allowed.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 27th day of March 1901
J. C. Bell Ordinary.
Gilmer County.
J. M. Bearden, M.D.
J. B. Bearden, M.D.

ORDINARY'S CERTIFICATE.

STATE OF GEORGIA,

County.

I, J. C. Bell, Ordinary in and for said county, hereby certify that the applicant, Mrs. Mary E. Blackenship resides in said county, and has been a bona fide resident of this State since 1st day of January 1899, and that the witnesses, Mr. B. G. Charles, J. S. Beal, J. M. Bearden, Mr. D. W. J. B. Bearden, M.D. 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.

I further certify that the tax digest of Gilmer county shows that applicant returned for taxation in her own name in 1899 One hundred dollars worth of property, and in 1900 Seventy five dollars worth of property.

Witness my hand and official seal, this 27th day of March 1901.

J. C. Bell Ordinary,
Gilmer County.

NOTES—1. Before any questions are answered, the Ordinary 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 Ordinary.
4. Only widows who were the wives of the dead husbands while they were soldiers need apply—and are now widows. Those married since 28th April, 1865, not entitled.
5. Witnesses and two Physicians are necessary to make out claims.

POWER OF ATTORNEY.

STATE OF GEORGIA.

County.

I, _____ hereby authorize _____ of _____ County, to receive and receipt for the pension allowed and that he remit the same to me at _____ by his check or registered mail.

Witness my hand this _____ day of _____ 1901

Executed in presence of

Ordinary,

L. S.

County.

SEAL

This claim was rejected because not full enough - Does not show in what fight or skirmish, or where at, or the nature or extent of the wound, and how bad the injury was. Let the witness re-examine and send to me at Ellijay Ga.

*J. C. Allen,
Ordinary
Ellijay Ga.*

No.

WIDOW'S

Indigent Pension.

1901.

Name

County

Widow of

Approved

1901.

JOHN W. LINDSEY,

Commissioner of Pensions.

WARRANT HANDED TO

1901.

Questions for Applicant.

STATE OF GEORGIA,

County.

of said State and County, desiring to avail herself of the Pension allowed to Indigent Widows of Confederate Soldiers, under Act of General Assembly, passed 1900, hereby submits her proof, and after being duly sworn true answers to make to the following questions, deposes and answers as follows:

1. What is your name and where do you reside? (Give State, County and Post Office.)
2. How long and since when have you been a resident of this State?
3. When and where were you born?
4. When and where was your husband born—state his full name, and when were you and he married?
5. When and where, and in what Company and Regiment did your husband enlist or serve during the war between the States?
6. How long did your husband serve in said Company and Regiment?
7. When and where did your husband's Company and Regiment surrender and was discharged?
8. Was your husband present at the time and place when his Company and Regiment surrendered?
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?
11. Which of the following grounds do you base your application for Pension, viz: First—Age and Poverty; Second—Infirmary and Poverty, or Third—Blindness and Poverty?
12. If upon the first ground, state how long you have been in such a condition that you cannot earn your support. If upon the second, give a full and complete history of the infirmity and its extent. If upon the third, state whether you are totally blind, and when and where you lost your sight.
13. What has been your occupation since your husband's death?
14. How much do you earn gross, by your own exertion or labor?
15. What property, real or personal, or income do you have or possess, and its gross value?
16. What property, real or personal, did you possess at death of husband or he left you, and of the year 1899-1900, and what disposition, if any, by sale or gift have you made of the same?
17. In what counties did you reside in 1899 and 1900, and what property did you return for taxation?
18. How have you been supported since death of husband, and especially for 1899 and 1900?
19. How much did your support cost for each of those years, and how much did you contribute by your own labor or income?
20. What was your employment during 1899 and 1900—how much did you receive for each year?
21. Have you a family? If so, who compose such family? Give their means of support. Have they any lands or other property?
22. Have you ever made an application for pension before?
23. How many applications have you made for a Pension, and under what class?

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

day of _____ 1901

Ordinary,

of _____ County.

QUESTIONS FOR WITNESSES.

STATE OF GEORGIA,

Gordon County.

Matthew Harkins of said State and County, having been presented as a witness in support of the Application of Mrs. Mary Blaukschips for a Pension under the Act of 1900, and after having been duly sworn true answers to make to the following questions, deposes and answers as follows:

1. What is your name and where do you reside? *Matthew Harkins*
2. Are you acquainted with the applicant, Mrs. *Mary Blaukschips* If so, how long have you known her? *yes. 10 years*
3. Where does she reside, and how long and since when has she been a resident of this State? *Gordon Co Ga*
4. When and where was she born? *—*
5. Were you ever acquainted with her husband? *yes*
6. Where did he reside in 1861? *Idaho*
7. When and to whom was he married?
8. When and where was he born?
9. How long have you known him? *I know him during the war*
10. When and where did *M C Blaukschips* enlist in the war between the States, and in what Company and Regiment did he enlist and how do you know this? *Co "B" 6th Ga Regt*
11. Were you a member of the same Company and Regiment? *I was in same regiment but not Co*
12. How long did he perform regular military duty? *I knew he did 8 months regular military duty*
13. When and where was his Company and Regiment surrendered and discharged from service?
14. Were you with the command when it surrendered? *no*
15. Was *M C Blaukschips* the husband of applicant present? *no*
16. If not present, where was he? *at home wounded at surrender*
17. When and where did he leave his Command? *left his command near*

For what cause? *on account of being wounded*
By whose authority he left? *by authority of Col. Hunt*
How do you know all this? (State fully and clearly.) *I was with him*

18. When and where did *M C Blaukschips* die?
19. Where did he reside at his death and how long had he been a resident of Georgia at his death?
20. Do you of your own knowledge know that applicant is the lawful widow of
21. Has she remained unmarried since her soldier husband's death, and is now his widow?
22. What property, effects or income has the applicant, if any, and how do you know this of your own knowledge?
23. What property, effects or income did applicant possess in 1899 and 1900 and what disposition did she make of it?
24. Has applicant conveyed any property in last two years or given any away, if so what was it and to whom?
25. What is applicant's physical condition and her chances and ability to earn a support?

26. Is applicant able to earn a support at labor of any sort, if not why?
27. How was she supported for 1899 and 1900?
28. How much did applicant contribute to her support for last two years?
29. Give a full and complete statement of applicant's physical condition?
30. What interest have you in the recovery of this pension by the applicant? *none*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this
day of *March* 1901
J. W. Harkins Ordinary,
Gordon County.
Matthew Harkins his
Mark Witness.

Affidavits of Physicians.

STATE OF GEORGIA,

County.

Personally before me comes _____ and
physicians of said county, who, being severally sworn, say on oath that they have examined carefully Mrs. _____ applicant for a Pension under Act of 1900, and after such personal examination say that her physical condition is this _____

and we have no interest in said pension if allowed.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____
day of _____ 190____

Ordinary,

County.

ORDINARY'S CERTIFICATE.

STATE OF GEORGIA,

Gordon County.

I, *J. W. Harkins* Ordinary in and for said county, hereby certify that the applicant, Mrs. _____ resides in said _____ and has been a bona fide resident of this State since _____ day of _____ 19____ and that the witnesses, Mr. *Matthew Harkins* and *M C Blaukschips* 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.
I further certify that the tax digest of _____ county shows that applicant returned for taxation to her own name in 1899 _____ dollars worth of property, and in 1900 _____ dollars worth of property.
Witness my hand and official seal, this *22* day of *April* 190 *2*
J. W. Harkins Ordinary,
Gordon County.

- SEAL
- Notes—1. Before any questions are answered, the Ordinary 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 Ordinary.
4. Only widows who were the wives of the dead husbands while they were soldiers need apply—and are now widows. Those married since 28th April, 1865, not entitled.
5. _____ Witnesses and two Physicians are necessary to make out claims.

Questions for Witnesses.

STATE OF GEORGIA,

County.

Gilmer
J. S. Beal

of said State and County, having been presented as a witness in support of the Application of Mrs. *Mary E. Blankenship* for a Pension under the Act of 1900, and after having been duly sworn true answers to make to the following questions, deposes and answers as follows:

1. What is your name and where do you reside? *J. S. Beal, Gilmer Co Ga.*
 2. Are you acquainted with the applicant, Mrs. *Mary E. Blankenship*.
If so, how long have you known her? *Yes - for 25 years*
 3. Where does she reside, and how long and since when has she been a resident of this State?
In Gilmer Co Ga. - At least for 25 years.
 4. When and where was she born? *Do not know*
 5. Were you ever acquainted with her husband? *Yes*
 6. Where did he reside in 1861? *Do not know that far back.*
 7. When and to whom was he married? *Do not know*
 8. When and where was he born? *Do not know*
 9. How long have you known him? *Some 25 years.*
 10. When and where did *McLeagan Blankenship* enlist in the war between the States, and in what Company and Regiment did he enlist and how do you know this?
Do not know
 11. Were you a member of the same Company and Regiment?
No
 12. How long did he perform regular military duty?
Do not know
 13. When and where was his Company and Regiment surrendered and discharged from service?
Do not know
 14. Were you with the command when it surrendered? *No*
 15. Was *McLeagan Blankenship* the husband of applicant present?
Do not know
 16. If not present, where was he? *Do not know*
 17. When and where did he leave his Command? *Do not know*
- For what cause? *Cannot say*
By whose authority he left? *Do not know*
How do you know all this? (State fully and clearly.)

18. When and where did *McLeagan Blankenship* die?
About Oct. 1869 - In Gilmer Co. Ga.
19. Where did he reside at his death and how long had he been a resident of Georgia at his death?
In Gilmer Co. Ga. To my knowledge some 15 years.
20. Do you of your own knowledge know that applicant is the lawful widow of *McLeagan Blankenship*?
Only that they lived together as husband and wife, and reared a family.
21. Has she remained unmarried since her soldier husband's death, and is now his widow? *Yes*

22. What property, effects or income has the applicant, if any, and how do you know this of your own knowledge?
Only a piece of poor land, I live near her, in fact she stays much of her time at my house.
23. What property, effects or income did applicant possess in 1899 and 1900 and what disposition did she make of it?
Only the piece of land named - Not worth more than \$10.00
24. Has applicant conveyed any property in last two years or given any away, if so what was it and to whom? *No*

25. What is applicant's physical condition and her chances and ability to earn a support? *She has had shells with her heart and back, and is very weakly and a broken down. She does not and can not work at any sort of labor.*

26. Is applicant able to earn a support by labor of any sort, if not why? *No - On account of her physical conditions.*

27. How was she supported for 1899 and 1900? *By her children and neighbors.*

28. How much did applicant contribute to her support for last two years? *Nothing.*

29. Give a full and complete statement of applicant's physical condition. *She has heart trouble. And her back is affected, is emaciated, and broken down. Has had spells.*

30. What interest have you in the recovery of this pension by the applicant? *None.*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this *27th*

day of *March* 190*1*

J. C. Bellum Ordinary,
Gilmer County.

J. S. Beal his
marc Witnesses.

Affidavits of Physicians.

STATE OF GEORGIA,
County.

Personally before me comes _____ and

both known to me to be reputable physicians of said county, who, being severally sworn, say on oath that they have examined carefully Mrs. _____ applicant for a Pension under Act of 1900, and after such personal examination say her physical condition is this _____

and we have no interest in said pension if allowed.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____

day of _____ 190*1*

Ordinary,

County.

ORDINARY'S CERTIFICATE.

STATE OF GEORGIA,
County.

I, _____, Ordinary in and for said county, hereby certify that the applicant, Mrs. _____ resides in said county, and has been a bona fide resident of this State since _____ day of _____ 18____, and that the witnesses, Mr. _____ 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.

I further certify that the tax digest of _____ county shows that applicant returned for taxation in her own name in 1899 _____ dollars worth of property, and in 1900 _____ dollars worth of property.

Witness my hand and official seal, this _____ day of _____ 190*1*

SEAL _____ Ordinary,
County.

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5. _____ Witnesses and two Physicians are necessary to make out claims.

Application for Pension by a Widow Under Act of 1910.--Questions for Applicant.

STATE OF GEORGIA,

Wilkes County.

Personally before me comes Mary B. Blankenship of said State and County, and after being duly sworn, on oath says that she desires to apply for a pension allowed under the Act of 1910, and submit testimony to make out the same, true answers makes to the following questions to-wit:

1. What is your name, and where do you reside? Mary B. Blankenship, Wilkes Co. Ga.
2. How long and since when have you been a continuing resident of the State of Georgia? Eighty-five years
3. When, where and to whom were you married? Feb. 4, 1861, in Wilkes Co. Ga. to C. Blankenship
4. When, where and in what Company and Regiment did your husband enlist as a soldier in Confederate Army or Georgia Militia? (State the arms and class of Service.) May 1862, 2nd Regt. Wilkes Co. Militia, 1st Co. 2nd Regt. Wilkes Co. Militia
5. When and where did the Commands of your husband surrender or discharge from the army? He was discharged from the army.
6. Was your husband personally present at the time of the surrender or discharge of this Command? No.
7. If he was not present state clearly where he was at home in Wilkes Co. Ga.
8. Where was his command when he left? At home in Wilkes Co. Ga.
- a. For what cause did he leave his Command? because of illness
- b. By whose authority did he leave his Command? by commanding officer
- c. For how long was he granted leave of absence? until he recovered
- e. What was his physical condition when he left his Command? Very bad.
- f. What effort did he make to return to his Command? None.
- g. In what way was he prevented from going back to Command? disabled by wound
- h. Was he captured by the enemy at any time? No.
- i. If so, when and where captured and where held as a prisoner, and when and for what cause released? None.
- j. When and where did your husband die? in 1888 in Wilkes Co. Ga.
- k. Were you residing together when he died? Yes.
- l. If not, how long had you resided apart? None.
9. What property of any description did you own, hold or control for your use and its cash value, Nov. 4, 1908? (State same by items.) None.
10. What property of any kind have you sold or given away since Nov. 4, 1908? What was received for it and what did you do with the proceeds thereof? (Give items and cash value.) None.
11. What property of any description of any value have you now? None.
Give list and cash value.
12. What are your annual earnings or income and their value? Nothing.
13. Have you heretofore been paid a pension by the State? No.
If so, when and for what cause were you struck from the Roll?

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the

7th day of April 1913

of Wilkes County.

Ordinary.

of Wilkes County.

Widow's Pension

UNDER ACT 1910

County

Wilkes

Name

Mary B. Blankenship

Widow of

C. B.

B. Smith Esq.

J. W. LINDSEY,

Commissioner of Pensions

Form P-10-1, State of Georgia

No.

Mary B. Blankenship
April 19/13
Wilkes County

4/9-1913

AFFIDAVIT OF TWO FREEHOLDERS.

STATE OF GEORGIA,

Wilkes County.

Personally before me comes Mary E. Blankenship who on oath says that they are freeholders of said County and that they know Mary E. Blankenship 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: nothing

Personal property nothing \$
Notes and accounts due nothing \$
Total nothing \$

Schedule (B).

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

Personal property nothing \$
Money, Notes and Accounts nothing \$

Schedule (C).

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

Acres of land worth nothing \$
Horses and Mules nothing \$
Cows and Hogs nothing \$
Other Property nothing \$
Income and Earnings nothing \$
Total Value of all property and effects nothing \$

Sworn and subscribed before me this the

7th day of April 1913 at Wilkes County.
Notary Ordinary.

ORDINARY'S CERTIFICATE.

STATE OF GEORGIA,

Wilkes County.

I, Notary Ordinary of said County do certify that, I know Mary E. Blankenship the applicant for pension. She is the person she represents herself to be and she is a bona fide continuing resident citizen of said County and was on the 4th Nov., 1908.

That I also know W. B. Charles the witness who swears to the service of husband, and W. B. Charles 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 Return nothing Returned for Tax is for 1908 \$ nothing for 1910 \$ nothing

Sworn under my hand and official seal of office this 7th day of April 1913

(SEAL.)

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- 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.

Questions for the Witnesses as to Service of Husband and Marriage.

STATE OF GEORGIA,

Wilkes County.

Personally before me comes W. B. Charles who after being duly sworn true answers to make, to the following questions, answers as follows:

- What is your name and where do you reside? W. B. Charles in Wilkes Co.
- How long and since when have you known Mary E. Blankenship Applicant? 50 years
- How long and since when has she continuously resided in this State? (Give date.) since 1863
- When and to whom was she married? to M. C. Blankenship How do you know? General Report
- How long and since when did you know M. C. Blankenship her husband? since 1863
- When and where did M. C. Blankenship the husband of Applicant die? in Wilkes County
- Were the applicant and her husband living together as husband and wife at the date of his death? yes
- If not, how long did they live apart before his death? never
- Were they divorced? no
- When, where and in what Company and Regiment did M. C. Blankenship enlist? in 1862 at Wilkes Co. in the 1st Regt. of Cavalry
- Were you a member of the same Company? yes at the beginning
- How long within your personal knowledge did he perform actual military service with his Company and Regiment? from 1862 to 1864
- When and where did his Command surrender, and was discharged? in South Carolina about 1864
- Were you personally present when it was surrendered? no If not where were you? at home and how came you there? on a business
- Was the husband of applicant personally present at surrender? no If not where was he? at home when, where and for what cause did he leave Command? (Give date.) 1864 By whose authority did he leave his Command? he left on furlough and how long was he granted leave? until about 1864 How do you know all this? General Report
- For what cause, if you know of your own knowledge, was he prevented from returning to his Command? Because of a wound in his back
- What effort did he make to return to his Command and how do you know this? Of your own knowledge or how? He was never able to return to his Command

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the

7th day of April 1913 at Wilkes County.
Notary Ordinary.

Blankenship, Mary Ann
Calhoun Co.

✓ 1928

**Application for Pension Due
Deceased Pensioner**
(UNDER ACT 1904)

(To pay expenses of last illness or funeral)

R. J. Goble, Ordinary
For Mary Blankenship,
of Gilmer County
Old or New Class? Old Class
Died May 25th, 1928
Amount, \$100.00

Approved and ordered paid.

John W. Clark, 1923.
29 June 28 JOHN W. CLARK,
Commissioner of Pensions.

Paid July 11 - 1928
R. J. Goble
Ordinary

Ordinary: Fill out above in full and send this blank to Pension Office for approval. Do not pay out the money until the approved blank is in your hands giving you authority to do so. Send back to the Pension Office with your receipted pay-rolls to be permanently filed with them. Do not keep this application in your office.

PHONE: DAY, 69.

PHONE: NIGHT, 40, 175, 6.

E. L. JACKSON & SON

"WE FURNISH THE HOME"

Furniture and Undertaking

Calhoun, Ga., May 25 1928

M. MARY BLANKENSHIP

TERMS:

Interest Charged if Not Paid When Due

CASKET	\$100	00
COFFIN	\$100	00

The above and foregoing account is rendered for funeral expenses of Mrs Mary Blankenship who died without owning sufficient property to pay this bill.

E. L. Jackson & Son,

By *E. L. Jackson*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

28 day of May 1928

W. R. Perkins
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Georgia Gordon County;
 In person came before me
 R. B. Blairkinship who
 on oath says that he was
 at home wounded by having
 lost a leg while in the
 army and knew that
 M. C. Blairkinship came
 home from Knoxville
 wounded in the leg
 in Nov 1864 and that
 his leg was so badly
 wounded that he never
 walked on it without the
 aid of crutch or stick
 and that he never recovered
 sufficiently, to return to
 his command.
 and further R. B. Blairkinship.

Sworn to and subscribed
 before me April 12/1902
 J. C. Starlin
 Ordinary.

Application for Pension Due to a Deceased Pensioner

(Under the Act of August 15, 1904)

To Be Paid to the Ordinary for Funeral Expenses and Expenses of Last Illness.

GEORGIA, GORDON County.

Personally before me, the Ordinary of said County, comes C. S. JACKSON of said County, who, after being sworn, on oath says that he knew MRS. MARY BLANKENSHIP of said County, and that said pensioner was on the Pension Roll of GILMER County, at the time of death, which occurred in GORDON County, in this State, on the 25 day of MAY 1928, and that a Pension of ONE HUNDRED Dollars was due pensioner and unpaid at the time of pensioner's death. That he left no widow or dependent children surviving, and no estate of any value sufficient to pay these funeral expenses, which amounted to the sum of \$ 100.00 per sworn statement fully and completely itemized, hereto attached.

Sworn to and subscribed before me
 this 30 day of May 1928
 W. R. Rankin Ordinary.
 Gordon County.

AFFIDAVIT OF ORDINARY

GEORGIA, GORDON County.

I, W. R. RANKIN Ordinary of said County, do certify that I personally know C. S. JACKSON, who is a resident citizen of said County, and that said person is of a truthful and trustworthy character, entitled to full faith and credit.

I also knew MRS. MARY BLANKENSHIP while in life and that this was the same person whose name appears on the Pension Roll of GILMER County, and was paid a Pension of TWO HUNDRED Dollars in said County for 1927, and I now believe said pensioner to be dead.

Given under my hand and official seal, this 30 day of May 1928
 (SEAL) W. R. Rankin Ordinary.
 Gordon County.

INSTRUCTIONS.
 1st. For use in all cases where pensioner died after January 1st, had not been out of State longer than twelve months, and died without owing sufficient property to pay such expenses. The widow of a soldier, if she is living, has prior claim over these expenses, and must make application on yellow blank.
 2nd. Require those claiming accounts for expenses of last illness, and expenses of funeral, to make out their account in fully itemized form, giving each item and the value of it and each date.
 3rd. Running accounts cannot be paid—only those connected with the last illness. Just before death when pensioner grew worse to die.
 4th. Each account must be sworn to before the Ordinary, and in the following form: (Do not use the terms "Just, true, due, unpaid," etc.)
 "The above and foregoing account is rendered for services in the last illness (or for funeral expenses, as the case may be) of _____ who died without owing sufficient property to pay this bill."
 5th. The Ordinary must see to it that each bill is perfectly legitimate in every respect and properly sworn to, and all attached neatly to this blank, as has been properly completed as indicated.
 6th. The completed voucher, this blank and the bills, must be sent to the Pension Office for approval and no money must be paid out until it is returned to you as your authority to make the payment.
 7th. The Ordinary signs pay-roll, as Ordinary, for the pension and then disburses the money himself and takes receipts.
 8th. Accept no bills for nursing until you write the Pension Office, stating the circumstances in very great detail.
 Pensioner's children, or children-in-law, must not charge the State for doing what the law and common humanity demand of them.
 9th. Return this application, and attached bills, with your final settlement to the Pension Office.
 10th. Ordinary should see that the back of this blank, when folded, is filled out.
 11th. Funeral expenses of deceased "new" pensioners covering all or part of both the 1920 and 1921 pensions require two separate sets of this voucher and bills—one set to be filed in the Pension Office with the pension papers of each year.

Georgia Gilmer County.

And now comes Mary E. Blankenship widow of McEager Blankenship deceased, and for amendment to her application after being duly sworn says. That her said husband received a gunshot wound in the right ankle about June 1863, and was sent home by Col Hart of the 6th Ga. Cav. in the fall of 1863. That she nursed him at his home, that bones worked out of his ankle at intervals till long after the close of the war, and the wound healed slowly. That he went on crutches from the time he came home till long after the war closed, and that he limped badly and used a stick to the time of his death. That at no time from fall of 1863 when he came home till the close of the war, was he able to return to his command.

That applicant's land consists of a little piece of land in a poor broken section of country, containing about one acre, with an old log house on it, in which she resides, that to her it is only a staying place, and pays her no revenue whatever. That she has nothing else, that she is in great need of the actual necessities of life.

Sworn to and subscribed before me }
Dec'y 11th 1902. } Mary E. Blankenship
J. C. Allen, Ordinary. }
in and

Georgia Gilmer County:

In support of the application of Mrs Mary E. Blankenship widow of McEager Blankenship deceased for widows indigent pension. Personally comes Joseph S. Beal of said county who being duly sworn says that he is a near neighbor of said widow, that she owns nothing but about one acre of poor land with an old log house on it, in which she lives, that it only furnishes her a very poor home and from which she derives no income whatever. That she is in actual need of something to live upon, that in no way can she make her little home contribute to her support in any manner.

Sworn to and subscribed }
before me this 11th }
day of Jan'y 1902. }

J. C. Allen }
Ordinary. }

Joseph S. Beal
in and

Georgia Gilmer County: J. C. Allen, Ordinary
 2d Off. Clerk Court of Ordinary in and for said County, do
 certify that the within is a true copy from the Record
 of Marriage Licenses in this Office.

Witness my official signature and seal of
 Office this March 27th 1901. J. C. Allen, Ordinary
 2d Off. C. C. O.

(Copy)
 MARRIAGE LICENSE
 OF
 McCague Blankenship
 AND
 Mary E. Sanford.
 Issued this 5th day
 of February 1861.
 and recorded on page 193.
 Book
 of Marriage License.
 by J. D. Chastain
 Ordinary.

STATE OF GEORGIA, GILMER COUNTY.

To any ordained Minister of the Gos-
 pel, Judge of the Superior Court, Justices of the Inferior
 Court or Justice of the Peace:

You are hereby authorized to join McCague Blank-
 enship and Mary E. Sanford in lawful bonds of matrimony, agree-
 ably to the Constitution and laws of this State.

Given under my hand and seal of office, this 5th
 day of February, 1861.

J. P. Chastain, Ordinary.

GEORGIA, GILMER COUNTY.

I do certify that the above marriage of
 the persons named in the above license actually took place and
 was duly solemnized before me, this 24th day of February, 1861.

I. D. Woodard, J. I. C.

STATE OF GEORGIA, GILMER COUNTY.

I, W. A. Cox, Ordinary of said County
 hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true transcript
 of the record as appears from the marriage license record of
 Gilmer County, Book "B" Page 193.

Given under my hand and seal of office, this April 7, 1913.

W. A. Cox
 Ordinary.

MARRIAGE LICENSE
 STATE OF **GEORGIA** COUNTY OF **GILMER**

To any JUDGE, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, OR MINISTER OF THE GOSPEL:

McCager Blankenship and *Mary C. Sanford*
 are hereby authorized to join
 in the Holy State of Matrimony, according to the Constitution and
 Laws of this State and for so doing this shall be your License.
 And you are hereby required to return this License to me with your
 Certificate hereon of the fact and date of the Marriage.
 Given under my hand and seal, this *20* day of
February 18*81*. *J. P. Chastain*

State of Georgia.

CERTIFICATE

Gilmer County.

I certify that *McCager Blankenship* and *Mary C. Sanford*
 were joined in Matrimony by me this *24th* day of *February* Eighteen Hundred
 and *Sixty One*.
W. D. Woodard J. C. Recorded Book *Marriage Licenses* Page *193*.
J. P. Chastain ordinary.