

Wilkins, J. W.  
Oglethorpe County

OK for 1911  
No

**Confederate  
Soldier's Application:**

UNDER ACT 1910.

County Oglethorpe

Name J. W. Wilkins

Company "I"

Regiment 2<sup>nd</sup> Tenn

Approved

J. W. LINDSEY;  
Commissioner of Pensions

CHAS. P. BYRD, State Printer, Atlanta.

7/20/10

**QUESTIONS FOR WITNESS AS TO SERVICE.**

STATE OF GEORGIA

Independence County

James P. Coffin of said State and County is hereby presented

as a witness in support of the application of A. W. WILKINS 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? W. W. WILKINS, Independence County, Arkansas.
2. How long and since when have you known A. W. WILKINS, the applicant? Since early in 1881, now more than forty-nine years.
3. Where does he now reside, and since when has he been a bonafide, continuing resident in this State and how do you know? CRAWFORD, OGLETHORPE COUNTY, GEORGIA, and my information that he was residing in said County since 1885, by informants are WILKINS HIMSELF and J. J. C. SHERMAN of Athens, Ga.
4. When, where and in what Company and Regiment did A. W. WILKINS enlist during war from 1861 to 1865? (Give date and place). Was a private in Co. I, 2nd Regt. Tennessee Cavalry, can't remember when or where he enlisted. I was a member of same
5. How did you obtain your information of this Service? Private until May 1862, 2nd Lt. until Nov. '63, then 1st Lt. till surren-
6. How long within your own personal knowledge did he perform actual military service with this Company and Regiment? (give date) FROM 1861 until the surrender.
7. When and where was his Command surrendered or discharged (give date and place). on J. F. Johnston at Greensboro, N. C., April 28th, 1865.
8. Were you personally present at the Surrender? I was.
9. If not, where were you and how came you there?
10. Was the applicant personally present with his Command at surrender? I thought he was until I read his affidavit. He was with us
11. If not where was he and how came him there? only a short time before the surrender now he was true to the last and that there was no better soldier.
12. When did he leave his Command? I cannot say now. Where was his Command when he left? I cannot say now. for what cause did he leave? I am sure he left it under proper conditions, but cannot now say what. By whose authority did he leave? and how long was he granted leave? How do you know all that you have stated to be true? If of your own knowledge (Tell clearly and specifically) As an officer in same Co. with him I know what I have stated.
13. In what way was he prevented from returning to his Command? This I cannot answer. How do you know? From my knowledge of the man I am sure he was properly absent.
14. What effort did he make to return to his Command and how do you know? On this I know nothing.
15. Was applicant 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 11th day of August, 1910,  
Reuben H. Keith, Notary Public,  
 of Independence County, Arkansas,  
 27, 1912

**AFFIDAVIT OF TWO FREEHOLDERS.**

STATE OF GEORGIA

Oglethorpe County

Personally before me comes F. O. Gillen & G. I. Rice who on oath says that they are free holders residing in said County and we know A. W. Wilkins the applicant for pension and we know the property that is now in the use, possession and control of himself and wife and of its cash value to wit: (Make List by items and value.) House & lot in the City of Crawford \$1000 - household & kitchen furniture

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.) 75 Acres of land (with property) sold and paid debt - and interest balance in value by lot in Crawford
2. When and to whom was it sold or given to? to Rice, 1908 - in m. Ward
  3. What was the price paid or stated to be paid? \$2100 - took notes - and sold notes -
  4. What relation is the party to applicant? None
  5. What disposition was made of the proceeds of the sale? Said debt - and interest
  6. Was the disposition of this property made in good faith and full value? yes or was it made to obtain a pension? no

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day of August, 1910,  
L. H. Bacon, Ordinary,  
 of Oglethorpe County.

**ORDINARY'S CERTIFICATE.**

STATE OF GEORGIA

Oglethorpe County

I, L. H. Bacon Ordinary of said County, certify that I know the applicant A. W. Wilkins for Pension is the person he represents himself to be and resides in said County. That I also know F. O. Gillen & G. I. Rice the witness swearing to the service and F. O. Gillen & G. I. Rice 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 Results of Oglethorpe shows that A. W. Wilkins and wife value for tax is in 1908 \$825 for 1909 \$1200 for 1910 \$1150

Sworn under my hand and official seal of office this 16th day of August, 1910  
L. H. Bacon Ordinary,  
 of Oglethorpe County.

- NOTES 1. Before any questions are answered the Ordinary shall swear applicant and all witnesses in the following words "You do solemnly swear that you will true answers make to each question asked you and the evidence you 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,

Oglethorpe County.

A. W. Watkins 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). A. W. Watkins, Oglethorpe Co., Crawford Ga.

2. How long and since when have you been a continuous resident citizen of this State? Since 1865

3. Did you enlist in the Army of the Confederate States or of the Organized Militia of this State from 1861 to 1865? Yes

4. When and where, and in what Company and Regiment did you enlist? (Give the arms and class of Service) August 1862 - Knoxville Tenn. Co. 2nd Tenn.

5. How long will you remain in the actual Military Service with said Company and Regiment? (Give date of discharge) Until the surrender 1865

6. When and where was your Company and Regiment surrendered or discharged from the Service? April, 1865 - Greensboro N.C.

7. Were you actually present with your Command when it was surrendered or discharged? No

8. If you were not actually present, state specifically and clearly where you were. I was on

part of detailed duty - our army was scattered & I was with a portion of the 2nd Regiment on picket duty. On a raid in Tenn. near Murfreesboro, we were defeated there and scattered.

a. Where was your Command when you left it? b. When did you leave the Command? I did not leave the Command & belong to Johnson's army after its defeat at Murfreesboro and on our raid with other regiments. By whose authority did you leave? c. For how long was your leave granted? In what way?

f. Why did you not return to your Command after leave expired?

g. In what way were you prevented?

h. What effort did you make to return?

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?

9. 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.) 75 acres of land \$2400 - Bank Stock \$875 - Household + Kitchen furniture \$100

Total cash value of all property \$875 - Property owned by wife

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? Land sold + Bank Stock sold and invested in City property

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.) House + lot in the City of Crawford \$1000 - Household + Kitchen furniture \$150 - Total cash value of all property \$1150

12. What annual or monthly income or earnings of yourself and wife and the source derived have you? I have no regular annual or monthly income depend on what little I can do for a support

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? No

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the

9th day of August 1910

A. W. Watkins

Ordinary,

Oglethorpe County.

# FIRST NATIONAL BANK

BATESVILLE, ARK. August 13th, 1910.

A. W. Wilkins,

Lawyer,

Mobile, Ala.

Your letter of the 9th, enclosing application for pension, reached me yesterday and I prepared my affidavit at once. Charles was out of town, holding a special term of court in an adjoining county, but unexpectedly returned last night and has now prepared a supplemental affidavit, which I think will cover the ground.

It is a great pleasure to both of us to be able to serve you and we are sure that you will not hesitate to call on us.

There is one thing of which I am sure, if faithful service in the past, no man of my knowledge is more entitled to a pension than you. Faithful to every duty, prompt to obey every call and fearless under all conditions, is a brief summary of your army service.

I shall look forward to seeing you in Little Rock next May, for I am sure the time will be fixed for May, and feel sure that you will not disappoint me. As I grow older my affection for the old boys of Co. I grows more and more intense and as the time for each reunion approaches I find myself dreading the days when I will again have the privilege and joy of looking you and Ben Canoe and Hitt, Dickinson and John Brooks and the others in the face.

Whenever I can be of you, do me the kindness to command me.

With sincere affection

Your comrade,

*James F. Coffin*

CHAS. COFFIN  
JUDGE OF JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
BATESVILLE, ARK.

State of Arkansas,  
Independence County.

Charles Coffin, of the State and County aforesaid, presented as a witness in support of the Application of A. W. Wilkins, for the pension provided by the Act of 1910, in the State of Georgia, on oath makes the following statement. My name is Charles Coffin. I reside in Batesville, Independence County, Arkansas. I have known A. W. Wilkins since 1861, and know that he resides in Crawford, Oglethorpe County, Georgia, only from his own statements. I have had no association with him since the war ended until the last few years when I have been meeting him at the General Reunions of the United Confederate Veterans. Last met him at Mobile, Ala. in April last.

I knew that he was a regularly enlisted Confederate Soldier, a member of Co. "I" 2nd Tennessee Cavalry, Henry H. Asby Colonel. I was a member of the same Co. until May 1862, when I was appointed Sergeant Major of the Regiment. I was with the regiment from that time until July 30, 1863, when I was captured, and was not with the regiment again until January 31, 1865, and from then until the surrender of the Army of Tennessee, by Genl. Jos. E. Johnston, at Greensboro, N. C. April 26, 1865.

A. W. Wilkins was with the Regiment up to the time of my capture, and my information and belief is that he served faithfully until the surrender. I knew that he is recognized as having done so by other members of the regiment who did, and he is always spoken of by his comrades as a good soldier.

Sworn and subscribed to before me,  
this the 12th day of August 1910.

*Chas Coffin*

*Rich  
Notary Public*

*My Com Ex 7/23/1910*