

Additional Evidence

Certif. No. 68.792

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Alcey F. Alford.

Deceased Person

Kentucky

W. M. Bennett

W. M. Bennett, atty
Present.



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Alex J. Alford

State of Kentucky Lincoln County Court

I do certify that Security has been taken in my office for a License to issue for a marriage intended between George W Alford and Aley Francis Yocum this is therefore to authorize any Minister of the Gospel legally authorized to solemnize the Rite of Matrimony to join together the said George W Alford and Aley Francis Yocum in the holy State of Matrimony agreeable to the forms and ceremonies of his church or society.

In testimony whereof I Thomas Helms clerk of the Lincoln County Court have hereunto subscribed my name this 4th day of December 1849 Thomas Helms clerk

By J. C. Huffman D.C.

I do certify that said Solemnize the Rite of marriage between George W Alford and Aley Francis Yocum on the 4th day of Decr 1849. Given under my hand this day and date above

J. C. Portman Minister of the Gospel

State of Kentucky
Lincoln County 3 Dec

J. R. Carson clerk
of the County Court for the County aforesaid

solo custodian of Marriage Records of
said County do certify that the writ-
ting contained on the reverse page
beginning with the words State of
Kentucky and ending with the words
Given under my hand this day and
date above is a true copy of the record
relating to the marriage of George
No Alford to Aley Francis Cozum
as copied from the records of my
office. Witness my hand and
seal of office at office in
Stanford this 30th January 1868
R. Lawson Clerk

State of Kentucky }
County of Lincoln } S.S.

On this 13th day of March A.D. 1865
personally appears before me Judge of the
County Court a Court of Record within and
for the County and State aforesaid Mrs. Mary
Frances Alford a resident of the County
of Lincoln and State of Kentucky aged
33 years who being by me first duly
sworn doth on her oath make the follow-
ing declaration in order to obtain the benefit
of the provisions made by the Act of Congress
approved July 14 1862. That she is the widow
of George M. Alford deceased who was a
private in company commanded by
Capt. W. H. Bell in the 11th Regiment of Ken-
tucky Cavalry Volunteers Commanded by Genl
Riley in the war of 1861 and who
died in Rebel Prison at or near Richmond as
affiant is informed by Capt. Bell, affiant can
not state in what prison he died as he was sent
to Richmond when captured as she understands
that her said husband entered the service of
the United States on or about the 9th day of August
1862. He died in said service about Sept 22
1862 was last paid about Oct 30 1862
That her said husband was captured
by the enemy while in the line of his duty
in the service of the United States near Mary-

with in East Tennessee on the 14th Nov 1863
She further declares that she was married
to the said George M. Alford on the 4th day of
December 1849. That her husband the said
George M. Alford died on the day above men-
tioned and that she has remained a widow
ever since that period, as will more fully
appear by reference to the proper authorities
accompanying or to be hereunto filed.

She also declares that she has not in any man-
ner been engaged in or aided or abetted
the Rebellion in the United States.

She appoints C. M. Beamer of Washington, D. C.,
her Attorney with full power of substitution
and revocation in her said behalf and authorizes
him to receive her pension Certificate when
issued Her Post Office is at Hustonville in
the County of Lincoln State of Kentucky.

That her home or place of residence is on
near Green River in 8th County of Lincoln and
near the wagon Road leading from Hustonville
to Wagnersburg and about eight miles from
Stanford the County seat of Lincoln County
in State of Kentucky -

That she has the following children by her said
husband the above named and who
are under sixteen years of age and who
are now living - To wit Posy Bell Alford
born Sept 16 1850 A. J. Alford born May
1853, Lucinda E. Alford born July 19th
1856 - George A. Alford born the

15th day of November 1858
and Nancy Ann Alfred
born March 17th 1841-

Witness

Alcy Frances Alfred

D. J. Alcorn
G. F. Walls

Sworn to, subscribed, and acknowledged
before me the day and year first above written
And also personally appeared Gabriel Walls
& D. J. Alcorn residents of Lincoln County
in the State of Kentucky, persons whose identity
to be respectable and entitled to credit and
who being by me duly sworn say that they
were present and saw Mrs. Alcy Frances
Alfred sign her name by writing her name
to the foregoing declaration, and they further
swear that they have every reason to believe
from the appearances of the applicants and
their acquaintance with her, that she is the
identical person she represents herself to be
and that they have no interest in the pro-
secution of this claim

D. J. Alcorn
G. F. Walls

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 13 day
of March 1868, and I hereby certify
that I have no interest in the prosecution
of this claim. That the foregoing decla-
ration and affidavit were read over to and

and understood by the respective parties
before they signed the same

W. S. Bailey Judge of
The Lincoln County Court

State of Kentucky, County of Lincoln, ss.
I R. Pearson Clerk of the County
Court for the County and State aforesaid
do hereby certify that W. S. Bailey
before whom the foregoing Pension decla-
ration and joint affidavit were made and
who has thereunto signed his name was
at the time of so doing Judge of the County
Court in and for the County & State above
named duly elected and qualified and
swore that all the affidavits and
such are entitled to full faith and credit
and that his signature as it above
appears is genuine

Given under my hand and seal of
Lincoln County, Tenn. at office in
Stamford this 13th day of March A.D.
1865
R. Pearson Clk

Wm. Francis [unclear]

answering

George W. [unclear]

Geo. W. [unclear]

claim for Pension

Oct. 1862

Read from R. [unclear]

Geo. W. [unclear]

Lo. M. [unclear]

Presents

State of Kentucky,
County of Washington

This day Capt W. H. Bell personally appeared, before me John Cornish a Justice of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid and who being by me first sworn according to Law, declares that he was the Captain of Company "A", in the 11th Regiment of Kentucky Cavalry commanded by Maj M Graham. Affiant further states that George M Alfred is the identical Sergeant Alfred who was a private in said Company "A" commanded by affiant in said 11th Regiment Ky Cavalry Vol. That he witnessed at Washington on the 14th day of April 1863 for the period of three years and was captured by the enemy while in the line of his duty in action near Maryville Tenn, on the 14th day of 1863 and by the enemy sent off to prison. Affiant further states that he has some information in his possession derived from official notices ^{Washington} that said Sergeant Alfred died in prison at Andersonville on or about the 14th day of April 1864 of Dysentery.

from

And affiant further states that he has no interest direct or indirect in the prosecution of the claim of Frances A. Coyle, Plaintiff, widow of George M. Alfred for Pension amount of pay & Bounty due for the services of her husband, and that affiant is a citizen of Washington Co. and State of Kentucky.

M. H. Bell Esq. 30th day of October 1865

Subscribed and sworn to before me M. H. Bell Esq. 30th day of October 1865 and I further certify that said M. H. Bell is a Justice of the Peace and the person he represents himself to be and that I have no interest direct or indirect in the prosecution of this claim.

John Cornish (J.P.M.)
Justice of the Peace
Washington County State
of Kentucky.

State of Kentucky, } S.P.
Washington County,

I, R. S. Peters, Clerk of the County Court in and for the County and State above named, do hereby certify that John Cornish Esq., whose genuine signature appears to the foregoing certificate, was at the time of so doing a Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State above named, duly commissioned and sworn; that all his official acts and such are entitled to full faith and credit.

I have hereunto set my hand and official seal, this 31st day of October 1865.
R. S. Peters

INSTRUCTIONS.

PENSION ACT OF JULY 14, 1862.

GENERAL PROVISIONS.

Under the act of Congress approved July 14, 1862, Pensions are granted to the following classes of persons:

- I. **WOUNDS,** disabled since March 4, 1861, in the military or naval service of the United States, in the line of duty.
- II. **WIDOWS** of officers, soldiers, or seamen dying of wounds received or of disease contracted in the military or naval service, as above.
- III. **CHILDREN,** under sixteen years of age, of such deceased persons, if there is no widow surviving, or from the time of the widow's re-marriage.
- IV. **MOTHERS** (who have no husband living) of officers, soldiers, or seamen, deceased as aforesaid, provided the latter have left neither widow nor children under sixteen years of age; and provided also, that the mother was dependent, wholly or in part, upon the deceased for support.
- V. **SISTERS,** under sixteen years of age, of such deceased persons, dependent on the latter, wholly or in part, for support, provided there are no rightful claimants of either of the three last preceding classes.

ACT OF JULY 4, 1864.

1. **BIENNIAL EXAMINATIONS.**—The biennial examinations of invalid pensioners, required by the act of March 3, 1859, will hereafter be made by one surgeon only, if he is regularly appointed, or holds a surgeon's commission in the army. In no case will an examination by unappointed civil surgeons be accepted, unless it is satisfactorily shown by the affidavit of one or more disinterested and credible witnesses, giving the reasons for such asseveration, that an examination by a commissioned or duly appointed surgeon is impracticable. On such proof, the certificate of two unappointed civil surgeons will be accepted in the same manner as heretofore. Fees paid to unappointed examining surgeons will not be refunded. Fees of appointed surgeons will be paid directly by Pension Agents, under prescribed regulations, and not by the pensioners, (to be afterwards refunded,) as under the act of 1863.

2. **DECLARATIONS.**—All declarations of claimants residing within twenty-five miles of any court of record, must, without exception, be made before such court, or before some officer thereof having custody of its seal. For the convenience of persons residing more than twenty-five miles distant from any court of record, officers qualified by law to administer oaths may be designated by the Commissioner of Pensions, before whom such declarations shall be executed.

3. **COMMENCEMENT OF PENSIONS WHEN APPLICATIONS ARE DELAYED MORE THAN THREE YEARS.**—In all cases in which the application is filed more than three years after the discharge or decease of the person on whose account the claim is made, the pension, if allowed, will commence at the date of filing the last paper in such claim. Claims filed before July 4, 1864, must be prosecuted to a final issue within three years from that date, and those filed subsequently to July 4, 1864, must be prosecuted to a final issue within five years from the date of filing, or they will thereafter be rejected, in the absence of satisfactory record evidence from the War Department to support such claim.

4. **PENSIONS TO UNENLISTED MEN, OR TO THEIR DEPENDENTS, IN CERTAIN CASES.**—Persons disabled by wounds received in battle

while temporarily serving with any regular organized military or naval force of the United States, since March 4, 1861, but not regularly enlisted, and the widows, depend on mothers or sisters, or minor children under sixteen years of age, of those who, serving in like manner, have been or may be killed, are entitled, on satisfactory proof, to the benefits of the act of July the 14th, 1862, on the conditions therein prescribed.

5. **Proof of service,** in cases arising under the ninth section of the act of July 4, 1864, must be furnished by a commissioned officer under or with whom such unenlisted person served, showing the nature, period, and circumstance of such service. Proof as to disability or death of a person so serving must be shown in the same manner, when practicable, or by the affidavits of two non-commissioned officers or privates in the same service, with evidence that proof by a commissioned officer is impracticable. If the officer furnishing such evidence is not at the time in the service, his certificate must be duly sworn to and his signature authenticated.

6. **COMMENCEMENT OF WIDOW'S PENSIONS IN CERTAIN CASES.**—When an applicant entitled to an invalid pension dies during the pendency of his claim, leaving a widow or dependent relative entitled to receive a pension by reason of his service or death, such pension will commence from the date at which the invalid pension would have commenced if admitted while the claimant was living.

7. **EVIDENCE OF MUSTER-IN.**—In accordance with the eleventh section of the act of July 4, 1864, evidence of the muster-in of the soldier will not be required in any case, but there must be positive record evidence of service, except in such cases as are embraced within the provisions of the ninth section of said act. The eleventh section applies only to *enlisted soldiers*. Evidence of muster in the case of commissioned officers is still required.

8. In all cases of mothers' applications for pension, proof of her dependence "in whole or on part," upon the son for support must be made by two disinterested witnesses, whose credibility must be certified by the officer before whom the affidavits are taken.

9. In any case where the party signs his name with a the signature must be attested by two disinterested witnesses.

10. Soldiers without regard to color are entitled to Pensions. The course of inheritance is the same without regard to color.

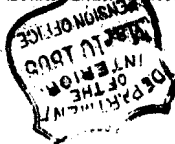
Any persons entitled to the benefits of the acts above referred to, who will forward to my address the name, company and regiment, and date of death of the soldier on whose account the claim for bounty, arrears of pay and pension may be due, will be supplied with the proper blanks and all necessary information in establishing their claims free of cost. The State of Kentucky has established an agency in this city for the purpose of protecting the widows and heirs of deceased soldiers who belonged to Kentucky regiments, from cost in the prosecution of their claims against the United States.

In all communications, strict attention must be paid to the foregoing instructions, so that I may know the kind of blanks needed, and what directions to give as to filling them up.

All inquiries concerning cases now pending for arrears of pay and bounty and pension, the name of the deceased or discharged soldier, his company, regiment, and date of death or discharge, and the time of filing the papers, must be given, to enable me to find the case.

It must be stated in all cases who claims—whether it is a widow, child, mother, or brothers and sisters.

C. D. PENNEBAKER,
Agent State of Kentucky



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C. D. PENNEBAKER,
Ag't. State of Kentucky.

This blank can only be used through this office, where no fee is charged the soldier.

WIDOW'S PENSION.

I certify that Mrs. [Name] is the widow of [Name] who was killed in battle at [Location] on [Date] and that she is dependent on me for support. I am a [Rank] in the [Regiment] of the [Army].

[Signature]

[Address]

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State of Kentucky
County of Lincoln

On this 2nd day of March, 1866, personally appeared before me, a Judge of a Court of Record in and for the County and State aforesaid, Alcy Francis Alfred, a resident of Lawrence in the County of Lincoln and State of Kentucky, aged thirty four years, who, being duly sworn, makes the following declaration, in order to obtain the Pension provided by the Act of Congress approved July 14, 1862: That she is the widow of George M. Alfred who was a private in Company D commanded by Capt. P. S. Rice in the 11th Regiment of the Cavalry Vol. in the War of 1861; that her maiden name was Alcy Francis and that she was married to said George M. Alfred on or about the 1st day of December 1861, as certified in the County of Lincoln and State of Kentucky by J. C. Parton, and that she knows of no record evidence of such marriage is filed in the Court of Record in and for the County and State aforesaid

She further declares that said George M. Alfred her husband, died in the service of the United States as aforesaid at Andersonville in the State of Georgia on or about the 13th day of April 1864

She also declares that she has remained a widow ever since the death of said George M. Alfred and that she has not in any manner been engaged in, or aided or abetted, the rebellion in the United States; and she hereby appoints Col. C. R. Pemberton as her lawful attorney, and authorizes him to present and prosecute this claim, and to receive and receipt for any orders or certificates that may be issued in satisfaction thereof.

Other Claims

Signature of Claimant: Alcy Francis Alfred

Also personally appeared before me, J. H. Wright and Gabriel Walls, residents of Lawrence County, and State of Kentucky, to me well known as credible persons, who being duly sworn, declare, that they were present and saw said Alcy Francis Alfred sign her name to the foregoing declaration, and that they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of said applicant, and their acquaintance with her, that she is the identical person she represents herself to be, and know that said deceased recognized said applicant as his lawful wife, and that she was so recognized by the community in which they resided; and that they have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

Signature of Witnesses: J. H. Wright
G. H. Walls

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 2nd day of March 1866; and I hereby certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

Official Signature: W. S. Bailey Judge Lincoln County Court

[L. S.]

NOTE.—If there is any record evidence of the marriage, insert—except that of which a true copy is hereunto annexed—and append a certified copy of the record accordingly. The cause of death must be specified in the second clause of the declaration. The declaration must be made before a Court of Record, or before some officer of such a Court duly authorized to administer oaths, and having custody of its seal, which must be attached.

Department of the Interior.

Pension Office.

May 21. 1867

Sir:

In the case of Mary F. Alford widow of George M. Alford. No. 68792. Claimant in her original declaration states the child, Andrew Jackson, was born on the 1st day of May, 1853, while in her supplementary affidavit and the accompanying testimony give it May 1. 1854. This discrepancy must be satisfactorily explained before the case can be further considered.

Respectfully Yours.

J. S. Bennett.
Commissioner

C. M. Bennett. Esq.
Agent.

(P. A. B.)

State of Kentucky
County of Lincoln

Affiant Robert Blain states that he is a resident of Lincoln County, Kentucky, that he is personally acquainted with Mary S. Alford widow of George M. Alford late of 11th Reg Cavalry and with her children. That affiant prepared the papers and affidavits of the said Mary S. Alford, in support of her application for an Insurance of Pension filed by Seth Benson her Attorney in the Pension Office. Affiant states that he drew her original Certificate application and declaration and also her supplementary affidavit & accompanying testimony, in the form of which the child Andrew Jackson is stated to have been born on the 1st day of May 1853, and in the latter it is stated that said Child was born on the 1st day of May 1854. Affiant had the family Bible containing the birth of the child shown before him at each time, and the discrepancy occurred by a through mistake, of affiant writing 1853 instead of 1854, writing the figure 3 instead of the figure 4. The true date in each should have been Andrew Jackson born on the 1st day of May 1854. The error in the family Bible of Mr. Alford now before me shows this fact, and affiant unintentionally made and committed the error, or discrepancy, as above stated.

Robert Blain

Sworn to and subscribed before me by R. Blain this 3rd day of June 1867, and I further certify that the affiant is personally known to me as a credible witness that he lives in Lincoln County, State of Kentucky, that the family

Bills of Mrs. Henry J. Alford who is an applicant
for an Increase of Pension, in which an account
the ages of her children is now present and
before me, and the record therein show that
her son Andrew Jackson Alford was born on
the 1st day of May 1854, and that affidavit
has no interest direct or indirect in this
claim, given under my hand the day and
date above written,

J. H. Cook P. D. S. C. C.

State of Kentucky }
County of Lincoln } ss

I R. C. Carr a Justice of the County Court, for
the County and State aforesaid do certify that
J. H. Cook } whose signature appears
to the foregoing affidavit and certificate is and
was at the time of signing the same the President
Judge of the County Court for the County and
State aforesaid duly commissioned and qualified
and that full faith are due to his official acts
and that his signature is genuine,

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscrit
ed my name and affixed the seal of
said County at Office in Stanford this
3rd day of June 1867.

R. C. Carr
Lincoln County Court