

# SOLDIER'S APPLICATION FOR PENSION.

Act of March 2d, 1901.

Elisha Bowles

who enlisted in Company \_\_\_\_\_,

Regiment North Carolina State Troops.

Filed by Board of Inquiry of \_\_\_\_\_

County, N. C., \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

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# SOLDIER'S APPLICATION FOR PENSION.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA. }

COUNTY OF Bladen }

On this 14<sup>th</sup> day of July, A. D. 1901, personally appeared before me, W. M. McNeill, C. S. C., in and for the State and County aforesaid, Elisha Dowless, age 67 years, and a resident at Dublin post-office in said County and State, and who, being duly sworn, makes the following declaration in order to obtain the pension under the provisions of an act entitled "An Act to amend chapter 198 of the Laws of 1889, for the relief of certain Confederate Soldiers and Widows," ratified March 2, 1901: That he is the identical Elisha Dowless, who existed in Co. 36 Reg. N. C. State Troops, on or about the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1861, to serve in the armies of the late Confederate States, and that while in said service at Fork Fisher, in the State of N. C., on or about the \_\_\_\_\_ day of December, 1864, he received a wound or wounds, etc.

(Applicant will here state the nature and extent of his wounds and disability, so that a proper classification can be made under the new Pension Law passed by the General Assembly of 1901. Read said section of said law carefully, and to accomplish the classification therein called for, let statement here as to nature and extent of wounds, disability, etc., be very full and explicit.)

Wounded in side, which by shell, which  
ruined his back.

He further states that he is, and has been for twelve months immediately preceding this Application for Pension, a *bona fide* resident of North Carolina; that he holds no office under the United States, or under any State or County, from which he is receiving the sum of three hundred dollars as fees or as salary annually; that he is not worth in his own right, or the right of his wife, property at its assessed value for taxation to the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500), nor has he disposed of property of such value by gift or voluntary conveyance since the 11th of March, 1835, and that he is not receiving any aid from the State of North Carolina under any other statute providing for the relief of the maimed and blind soldiers of the State.

Sworn and subscribed before me, this 1<sup>st</sup>  
day of July, 1901  
Acce ss<sup>e</sup> Nail  
Signature of C. S. C.

Elisha Dowless  
Signature of Applicant.

Also personally appeared before me D. J. Gordon, who  
resides at Elizabeth town post-office, in said County and  
State, a person whom I know to be respectable and entitled to credit, and being by me duly sworn, says he is acquainted with  
Elisha Dowless, the applicant for pension, and has every  
reason to believe that he is the identical person he represents himself to be, and that the facts set forth in this affidavit are cor-  
rect to the best of his knowledge and belief, and that he has no interest, direct or indirect, in this claim.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 1<sup>st</sup>  
day of July, 1901  
Acce ss<sup>e</sup> Nail  
Signature of C. S. C.

D. J. Gordon  
Signature of Witness.

Also personally appeared before me Dr. N. Robinson  
a physician in good standing in said County and State, and being duly sworn, says that he has carefully and thoroughly examined  
Elisha Dowless, the applicant for pension, and finds such  
disability for manual labor as is described below, by reason of wounds received while in the discharge of his duty as a soldier or  
sailor of North Carolina in the service of the late Confederate States.

(Let physician here give full and explicit professional information as to the nature and extent of wounds, disability, stating particularly whether  
disability amounts to one fourth, one half, three-fourths, etc., in order to accomplish the classification called for under the new Pension Law passed  
by the General Assembly of 1901).

Applicant's Statement must be accepted  
do not find any injury to locate wound

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 1<sup>st</sup>  
day of July, 1901  
Acce ss<sup>e</sup> Nail  
Signature of C. S. C.

Newton Robinson  
Signature of Physician.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,

Bladen COUNTY.

To the Auditor of the State of North Carolina:

We certify that we have carefully examined the application of Elisha Dowless for a pension under the provisions of an act entitled "An Act to amend chapter 198 of the Laws of 1889, for the relief of certain Confederate Soldiers and Widows," ratified March 2, 1901, and the proofs filed in support thereof; that we are satisfied the said Elisha Dowless is the identical person who enlisted in Co. I, 26th Regiment of N.C. Troops, on or about the day of December, 1864, and who was disabled in manner and to the extent stated in the foregoing certificates of himself and physician in consequence of a wound received in battle on or about the day of December, 1864, and we certify the following allegations set forth in his application to be true, namely: That he is, and has been for twelve months immediately preceding this Application for Pension, a bona fide resident of North Carolina; that he holds no office under the United States, or under any State or County, from which he is receiving the sum of three hundred dollars as fees or as a salary annually; that he is not worth in his own right, or the right of his wife, property at its assessed value for taxation to the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500), nor has he disposed of property of such value by gift or voluntary conveyance since the 11th day of March, 1885, and that he is not receiving aid from any other source from the State of North Carolina, and therefore his application is correct and just under the act.

(SEAL) C. P. Parker, Chm'n Board of Com'rs.

" W. K. Andrews, Commissioner.

" R. L. Bridger, "

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" " "

" G. W. Lea, Sheriff.

(IMPRESS COUNTY SEAL HERE).

(SEAL) R. C. McNeill, Clerk Superior Court.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

John M. Munnell

County Advisory Board.

**SOLDIER'S APPLICATION FOR PENSION,**

Act of March 2d, 1901.

*Elmer Dowless*  
*Dowless*

who enlisted in Company *D*, *36*

Regiment North Carolina State Troops.

APPROVED S. S. P. FOURTH CLASS

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APPROVED S. S. P. FOURTH CLASS.

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Filed by Board of Inquiry of \_\_\_\_\_

County, N. C., \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

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# SOLDIER'S APPLICATION FOR PENSION.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, }

COUNTY OF Bladen }

On this 7 day of July, A. D. 1902 personally appeared before me, Wm. M. Smith, C. S. C., in and for the State and County aforesaid, Elisha Bowless, age 67 years, and a resident at Dublin post-office in said County and State, and who, being duly sworn, makes the following declaration in order to obtain the pension under the provision of an act entitled "An Act to amend chapter 198 of the Laws of 1889, for the relief of certain Confederate Soldiers and Widows," ratified March 2, 1901: That he is the identical Elisha Bowless, who enlisted in Co. 36<sup>th</sup> Reg. N. C. State Troops, on or about the 7 day of July, 1862, to serve in the armies of the late Confederate States, and that while in said service at Fort Fisher, in the State of N. C., on or about the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1864, he received a wound or wounds, etc.

(Applicant will here state the nature and extent of his wounds and disability, so that a proper classification can be made under the new Pension Law passed by the General Assembly of 1901. Read said section of said law carefully, and to accomplish the classification therein called for, let statement here as to nature and extent of wounds, disability, etc., be very full and explicit.)

Wounded in right side & back  
from injury at gun & general health  
he is disabled at least 3/4

He further states that he is, and has been for twelve months immediately preceding this Application for Pension, a *bona fide* resident of North Carolina; that he holds no office under the United States, or under any State or County, from which he is receiving the sum of three hundred dollars as fees or as salary annually; that he is not worth in his own right, or the right of his wife, property at its assessed value for taxation to the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500), nor has he disposed of property of such value by gift or voluntary conveyance since the 11th of March, 1885, and that he is not receiving any aid from the State of North Carolina or under any other statute providing for the relief of the maimed and blind soldiers of the State.

Sworn and subscribed before me, this 7  
day of July, 1902  
Acme - Keill  
Signature of C. S. C.

Eliza Dowless  
Signature of Applicant.

Also personally appeared before me \_\_\_\_\_, who  
resides at \_\_\_\_\_ post-office, in said County and  
State, a person whom I know to be respectable and entitled to credit, and being by me duly sworn, says he is acquainted with  
\_\_\_\_\_, the applicant for pension, and has every  
reason to believe that he is the identical person he represents himself to be, and that the facts set forth in this affidavit are  
correct to the best of his knowledge and belief, and that he has no interest, direct or indirect, in this claim.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 7  
day of June, 1902  
Acme - Keill  
Signature of C. S. C.

A. J. Evans  
Signature of Witness.

Also personally appeared before me Lucas B. Evans  
a physician in good standing in said County and State, and being duly sworn, says that he has carefully and thoroughly examined  
Eliza Dowless, the applicant for pension, and finds such  
disability for manual labor as is described below, by reason of wounds received while in the discharge of his duty as a soldier or  
sailor of North Carolina in the service of the late Confederate States.

(Let physician here give full and explicit professional information as to the nature and extent of wounds, disability, stating particularly whether  
disability amounts to one-fourth, one-half, three-fourths, etc., in order to accomplish the classification called for under the new Pension Law passed by  
the General Assembly of 1901).

Mr. Dowless has a blood trouble, complaint of his  
back age etc. Probably from one half to three fourths.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 7  
day of July, 1902  
Acme - Keill  
Signature of C. S. C.

Lucas B. Evans  
Signature of Physician.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, }

Bladen COUNTY. }

To the Auditor of the State of North Carolina:

We certify that we have carefully examined the application of Elisha Dowless for a pension under the provisions of an act entitled "An Act to amend chapter 198 of the Laws of 1889, for the relief of certain Confederate Soldiers and Widows," ratified March 2, 1901, and the proofs filed in support thereof; that we are satisfied the said Elisha Dowless is the identical person who enlisted in Co. D, 96 Regiment of N.C. Troops, on or about the 7 day of July, 1862, and who was disabled in manner and to the extent stated in the foregoing certificates of himself and physician in consequence of a wound received in battle on or about the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1862; and we certify the following allegations set forth in his application to be true, namely: That he is, and has been for twelve months immediately preceding this Application for Pension, a *bona fide* resident of North Carolina; that he holds no office under the United States or under any State or County, from which he is receiving the sum of three hundred dollars as fees or as a salary annually; that he is not worth in his own right or the right of his wife, property at its assessed value for taxation to the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500), nor has he disposed of property of such value by gift or voluntary conveyance since the 11th day of March, 1885, and that he is not receiving aid from any other source from the State of North Carolina, and therefore his application is correct and just under the act.

(SEAL) C P Parker, Chm'n Board of Com'rs.  
" M K Anders, Commissioner.  
" \_\_\_\_\_, "  
" \_\_\_\_\_, "  
" G W Lan, Sheriff.

(SEAL) Ball McNeill, Clerk Superior Court.

Approved: John M. ...

County Advisory Board.

WIDOW'S APPLICATION FOR PENSION.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, }  
COUNTY OF Bladen }

On this 23rd day of April, A. D. 1910, personally appeared before me, W. J. Davis, C. S. C. in and for the State and county aforesaid, Edith Dowless, age 72 years, and a resident at Dublin postoffice, in said county and State, and who, being duly sworn, makes the following declaration in order to obtain the pension under the provisions of an act entitled "An act to amend chapter 674 of the Laws of 1907, for the relief of certain Confederate Soldiers, Sailors and Widows," ratified March 8, 1909; that she is the widow of the late Elisha Dowless who enlisted in Co. I, 36th Regiment North Carolina State Troops, on or about the 15th day of Feb 1862, to serve in the armies of the late Confederate States. She further states that she was married to said soldier or sailor before the first day of January, 1868, and that she is now a widow, and has been for twelve months immediately preceding this Application for Pension a bona fide resident of North Carolina; that she holds no office under the United States, or under any State or county, from which she is receiving the sum of three hundred dollars as fees or as salary annually; that she is not worth in her own right, or the right of her late husband, property at its assessed value for taxation to the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500), nor has she disposed of property of such value by gift or voluntary conveyance since the 11th of March, 1885.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 23rd day of April, 1910  
W. J. Davis  
Signature of C. S. C.

Edith Dowless  
Signature of Applicant.

CERTIFICATE OF WITNESSES.

Also personally appeared before me I. A. Davis, who resides at Elizabethtown postoffice, and C. Martin who resides at Elizabethtown postoffice, in said county and State, whom I know to be respectable and entitled to credit, and being by me duly sworn, say that they are acquainted with Edith Dowless, the widow of the late Elisha Dowless, of Co. I, 36th Regiment North Carolina State Troops, and that they believe her to be the identical person she represents herself to be, and that the facts set forth in her affidavit are correct to the best of their knowledge and belief, and that they have no interest, direct or indirect, in this claim.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 23rd day of April, 1910  
W. J. Davis  
Signature of C. S. C.

C. Martin  
I. A. Davis  
Signature of Witnesses.

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,

Bladen COUNTY.

To the Auditor of the State of North Carolina:

We certify that we have carefully examined the application of Edith Dowless  
the widow of the late Elisha Dowless  
who enlisted in Company 1, 36 Regiment North Carolina State Troops, for a pension under  
the provisions of an act entitled "An act to amend chapter 674 of the Laws of 1907, for the relief of certain Con-  
federate Soldiers, Sailors and Widows," ratified March 8, 1909, and the proofs filed in support thereof; that we are  
satisfied the said Edith Dowless is a widow of the late  
Elisha Dowless, who enlisted in Company 1,  
36 Regiment North Carolina State Troops, on or about the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

1862 We certify the following allegations set forth in her application to be true, namely: That she is now a widow;  
that she is, and has been for twelve months immediately preceding this Application for Pension, a *bona fide* resident of  
North Carolina; that she holds no office under the United States, or under any State or county, from which she is  
receiving the sum of three hundred dollars as fees or as a salary annually; that she is not worth in her own right, or  
the right of her late husband, property at its assessed value for taxation to the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500),  
nor has she disposed of property of such value by gift or voluntary conveyance since the 11th day of March, 1885,  
and therefore her application is correct and just under the act.

H. J. Davis

Clerk Superior Court.

(IMPRESS COUNTY SEAL HERE).

Approved:

J. W. Ramsey  
J. H. Kelly

County Pension Board.

**BLADEN,  
WIDOW'S APPLICATION FOR PENSION.**

ACT OF MARCH 8, 1909.

Mrs. Edith Dowless

Widow of Elisha Dowless

Company 1, 36th Regiment

North Carolina State Troops.

**APPROVED FOURTH CLASS.**

**BLADEN,**

Filed by Board of Pensions of

County, N. C.,

day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_