

WIDOW'S APPLICATION FOR PENSION.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,

COUNTY OF Bladen

On this 29 day of May, A. D. 1901, personally appeared before me, Acie W. Neill, C. S. C., in and for the State and County aforesaid, Sarah J. Dowless, age 66 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 she is the widow of the late Samuel A. Dowless who enlisted in Co. "D", 36 Reg. N. C. State Troops, on or about the 7 day of March, 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 April, 1865, and has never re-married; 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 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.

She is very feeble, entirely unable to do anything on account of heart trouble - She has never remarried, was married before April 1st 1865 -

Sworn and subscribed before me, this 29 day of May, 1901.
Acie W. Neill
Signature of C. S. C.

Sarah J. Dowless
Signature of Applicant.

PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATE.

Also personally appeared before me G. L. Clark, who resides at Clarksboro post-office, and who resides at _____ post-office, in said County and State, physician in good standing, whom I know to be respectable and entitled to credit, and being by me duly sworn, say that they acquainted with Sarah J. Dowless, the widow of the late Samuel A. Dowless, of Co. "D", 36 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 to and subscribed before me this 3 day of June, 1901.
Acie W. Neill
Signature of C. S. C.

G. L. Clark
Signature of Physicians.

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 Sarah J. Dowless the widow of the late Samuel J. Dowless, who enlisted in Company D 36 Regiment North Carolina State Troops, 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 Sarah J. Dowless is a widow of the late Samuel J. Dowless, who enlisted in Co. D 36 Regiment of North Carolina State Troops on or about the 7 day of March 1863. We certify the following allegations set forth in her application to be true, namely: That she has never re-married; 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.

(SEAL) E. P. Porter, Chm'n Board of Com'rs.
W. K. Sanders, Commissioner.
A. B. Bradley
C. W. Linn, Sheriff.
(SAL) R. M. Keiser, Clerk Superior Court.

(IMPRESS COUNTY SEAL HERE).

Approved:

A. M. Lee's Chm
John Monroe
County Advisory Board.

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Act of March 2d, 1901.

Mrs. Sarah J. Dowless
Widow of Samuel J. Dowless
Company D, 36 Regiment
North Carolina State Troops.

APPROVED BY THE FOURTH CLERK.

Filed by Board of Inquiry of
County, N. C., day of
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