

Application of Widow.

Virginia Murder Willows do hereby apply for aid under the act of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved April 2, 1902, and subsequent acts, as amended by an act approved March 10, 1904, entitled an act to aid the citizens of Virginia who were disabled by wounds received during the war between the States while serving as soldiers, sailors, or marines of Virginia, and such as served during the said war as soldiers, sailors, or marines of Virginia, who are now disabled by disease contracted during the war, or by the infirmities of age, and the widows of soldiers, sailors, or marines of Virginia who lost their lives in said service, or whose death resulted from wounds received or disease contracted in said service, and providing penalties for violating the provisions of this act, and do solemnly swear that I am a citizen of the State of Virginia, resident at *East of Lynchburg* in the said State, and that I have been an actual resident of the said State for two years, and of the said city (or county) for one year next preceding the date of this application, and that I am the widow of *Woodrow M. English*, who was a soldier (sailor, or marine) in the service of the State of Virginia in the war between the States, and who was a member of (here state specifically the command and branch of the service to which the husband of the applicant belonged, and, if possible, the names of his immediate superior officers) *Company of Marines, 1st Regiment, U.S. Marines, 1st Division, U.S. Army, Camp, Co. E.* and who, while in the discharge of his duty in the military or naval service of the State of Virginia, or of the Confederate States, during the said war, lost his life (if the husband of such widow was killed or died during the war as the result of wounds received, state the facts of the case as near as possible, giving the date of the husband's death) *when he was serving in the 1st Division, U.S. Army, at the Chatham Hospital.* (If the husband died after the war, strike out all relating to his death during the war, and then proceed as follows), and who has since the said war died (here state specifically the cause of the death of the husband of the applicant and the date thereof)

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and that, to the best of my knowledge, during the said war my husband was loyal and true to his duty, and never, at any time, deserted his command or voluntarily abandoned his post of duty in the said service, and that I was never divorced from my said husband, and that I never voluntarily abandoned him during his life, but remained his true, faithful, and lawful wife up to the date of his death, and that I am a widow at the date of making this application, and that I am now entitled to receive, under the said act the sum of Twenty-Five dollars annually. And I do further swear that I do not hold any position or office, either national, State, city or county, which pays me in salary or fee Two Hundred dollars per annum; nor have I an income from any other employment or other source whatever which amounts to Two Hundred dollars per annum; nor do I receive from any source whatever money or other means of support amounting in value to the sum of Two Hundred dollars per annum; nor do I own in my own right, nor does any one hold in trust for my benefit or use estate or property, either real, personal, or mixed, either in fee or for life, of the assessed value of Seven Hundred and Fifty dollars; nor do I receive any aid or pension from any other State, or from the United States, or from any other source, and that I am without means of support, direct or indirect; and I do further swear that the answers given to the following questions are true:

1. What is your age? Ans *76 years*
2. Where were you born? Ans *in Southampton Co. Va.*
3. How long have you resided in Virginia? Ans *all my life*
4. How long have you resided in the city or county of your present residence? Ans *all my life*
5. What is your husband's full name? Ans *Woodrow M. English*
6. When and where were you married, and by whom? Ans *1860, Southampton Co. Va. Rev. Saml. Bond*
7. When and where, as near as you can state, did your husband die, and from what cause? Ans *1863, Chatham Hospital, fatigue*
8. Have you been married since the death of your said husband? Ans *Yes*
9. Where and with whom do you now reside? Ans *Southampton Co. Va. with my married children*
10. What property—real, personal or mixed—do you own? Ans *none*
11. What assistance do you receive, and what income have you from any source? Ans *none except what I receive from my children*
12. If your husband died since the war, please state where he died, and, if possible, the name and address of the attending physician? Ans *none*
13. Give the names and addresses, if possible, of two comrades in arms of your deceased husband. Ans *Jim T. Smith*
14. Give the names and addresses of two persons who are familiar with the circumstances of your husband's death. Ans *Jim T. Smith*
15. If your husband died since the war, please state whether his death resulted from wounds received in the war, or from what disease? Ans *none*
16. Give, as near as you can, the nature of the wound or the character of the disease from which your husband died. Ans *Fatigue, over-exertion*
17. Give here any other information you may possess relating to the service of your husband or of his death that will support the justice of your claim for aid. Ans *nothing special*
18. Is there any camp of Confederate veterans in the city or county of your residence? Ans *yes*
19. Is there any one living, the residence and address of whom is known to you, either comrade or otherwise, who has knowledge of your husband's service and of the cause of his death? If so or not, state. Ans *no one except the Rev. Saml. Bond*

(Given under my hand this *11th* day of *August*, 190*9*.
J. M. P. Kite Justice of the Peace
 in and for the County of *Southampton*, State of Virginia, whose name is signed to the foregoing application, personally appeared before me in my *County* aforesaid having the aforesaid application read to her and fully explained, as well as the statements and answers therein made, the said *Virginia Murder Willows* made oath before me that the said statements and answers are true.
 (Given under my hand this *11th* day of *August*, 190*9*.)

(A)
 OATH OF RESIDENT WITNESSES
 We, *Gouverett G. Pullinger* and *John T. Branch*, do solemnly swear that we are residents of the *County* of *Southampton*, in the said State, and that we have known personally and well for *years* *Virginia Murder Willows*, whose name is signed to the annexed application for aid under the act of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved April 2, 1902, and subsequent acts, as amended by an act approved March 10, 1904, and that the said *Virginia Murder Willows* is a resident of the said county and is a woman of good reputation for truth and honesty, and that we have read the annexed application and the answers to the questions therein propounded, made by the said applicant, and verily believe that the said applicant has been truthful in the said statements and answers, and that from our personal knowledge we verily believe the said applicant is justly entitled to aid under the said act, and that we have no personal interest in the allowance of the applicant's claim.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public for the *County* of *Southampton*, State of Virginia, this *11th* day of *August*, 190*9*.
Gouverett G. Pullinger
 Notary Public

My commission expires *July 15th 1912*
 AFFIDAVIT OF COMRADES
 We, *John T. Branch*, do solemnly swear that we are residents of the *County* of *Southampton*, in the State of *Virginia*, and that *Virginia Murder Willows* whose name is signed to the annexed application for aid under the act of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved April 2, 1902, and subsequent acts, as amended