

Dr. Jno Vesters and all the members
 of the Vesters family have said to
 me that Peter Vesters went out
 and remained with Dr. Vesters
 until the close of the war and
 he comes to Gallatin at the close of
 the war.

B. P. Bell

Subscribed & sworn to before
 me this July 26 / 21

W. M. Gay
 Notary Public

Recd Jan 18 26

ACCEPTED
 No. 36
 A July 12 / 21

STATE OF TENNESSEE

Colored Man's Application for Pension

John Vesters

Co. 6 1st Sgt's Co. Cav Regt

Filed June 29. 21

Allowed

All bonds on this form to be filed by the Pension Board.

NOTICE, APPLICANTS.

The Negroes Pension law passed by the Tennessee Legislature, provides that the Negroes pensioned by this Act must have been actual bona fide residents of this State three years if they served with a Tennessee command, and ten years if they served with a command from any other State. They must have remained with the army until the close of the war unless legally relieved from service. They must be indigent. Unless you come clearly under the law, it is useless to file an application.

The Board meets the second Tuesdays in January, April, July and October.

Colored Man's Application for Pension.

I, Peter Vertrees a native of the State of Kentucky
and now a citizen of Tennessee, resident at Gallatin in the County of Sumner
in said State of Tennessee, and who was a servant from the State of Kentucky in the war between
the United States and the Confederate States, do hereby apply for aid under the Act of the General Assembly of Tennessee, of
1921. And I do solemnly swear that I was with Dr John J. Vertrees

in the service of the Confederate States, and that by reason of indigence I am now entitled to receive the benefit of
this Act. I further swear that I do not hold any National, State or county office, nor do I receive aid or pension from any other
State, or from the United States. I do further solemnly swear that the answers given to the following questions are true:

In what County, State and year were you born?

Answer Edmondson County State of Kentucky
and I think I was born in 1846, am 75 years old

When did you go with the army? Give the names of the regimental and company officers under whom your master
served.

Answer 1861 Sixth Kentucky Col. Col. and Col. Lewis
Captain Horn and Mr. Uncle; Dr. John

Give the name of your owner.
Answer Jacob Vertrees, father of Dr. John J. Vertrees

What estate have you in your own right, real and personal, and what is its actual cash value?

Answer house and lot worth 600 to 800 and household
for value 300 or 400

What estate has your wife in her own right, real and personal, and what is its actual cash value?

Answer 1 vacant lot 200.

State the gross income of yourself and your wife from all sources for the past year. This must include all money received either

from wages, rents or interest on loaned money, if any. Also family supplies raised or received from rents and used by your family.

Answer About \$700.00. Have been teacher of Public school of Gallatin for 20 years and 20 years in the county. But resigned April 1921.

How long and since when have you been an actual resident of the State of Tennessee?

Answer for 56 years since Spring of 1865 in Sumner County.

Have you an attorney to look after this application?

Answer YES.

If so, give his name and address.

Answer B. D. Bell Gallatin Tenn and W. O. Vestres Knoxville,

Witness my hand this 10 day of June 1921.

WITNESSES

C. S. Young Coles Witness. Street and No. if any.

Postoffice Address Gallatin Tenn P. O.

B. D. Bell Witness. R. F. D. (if any).

Postoffice Address Gallatin, Tenn

STATE OF TENNESSEE.

Sumner County. certify that Peter Vestres and his wife Liora Vestres are

assessed with 3 lots, valued at \$1200, and with \$000 of personal property.

Witness my hand this 10 day of June 1921

Jake Knowles Trustee of said County, Liora Vestres, Jake Knowles Trustee.

If applicant and his wife have no property, the Trustee must so certify.

STATE OF TENNESSEE

Sumner County. the applicant, with his statement and answer. Witness my hand

If possible.

STATE OF TENNESSEE

Sumner County. Brown and B.

whom I am personally sworn to and that said application are further made oath to

The official seal of the County of Sumner Tennessee is hereunto affixed. Knowledge of the contents of this document is hereby certified to the County Clerk in the County of Sumner Tennessee.

Witness my hand

STATE OF TENNESSEE.

Sumner County

Personally appeared before me H. L. Brown

of said County, the above named Peter Verrees

the applicant, with whom I am personally acquainted, and having the application read and fully explained to him, as well as the statement and answers therein made, made oath that the said statements and answers are true.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this 15th day of June, 1921

H. L. Brown
County Court Clerk

(If possible, the two witnesses as to character should have served with the applicant in the army, and if so, let them, or either, state in their oath, also any other information regarding applicant's army service.)

STATE OF TENNESSEE.

Sumner County

Personally appeared before me H. L. Brown

Brown of said County, the above named C. S. Douglass

and B. D. Bell, two of the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing application, with

whom I am personally acquainted, and known to me to be citizens of veracity and standing in this community, and who make oath that they are personally acquainted with the foregoing applicant, and that the facts set forth and statements made in

this application are correct and true, to the best of their knowledge and belief, and that they have no interest in this claim,

and that said applicant's habits are good and free from dishonor. And C. S. Douglass & B. D. Bell

further made oath to the following facts touching the applicant's service in the Confederate army:

The applicant Peter Verrees came to Gallatin at the close of the war, in 1865, and has lived here ever since. It was and is now a matter of common knowledge that he was in the Confederate service with his young master, B. J. Verrees who lived in this County after the close of the war. That he was in the army has never been questioned here, he has lived a most exemplary life since 1865.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this 15th day of June, 1921

H. L. Brown
County Court Clerk

