

30985

FORM B.

Widow's Application
for a Pension

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The Commissioner of Pensions reserves the right to call for additional testimony if he deems it necessary.

Name of Applicant.

Miss Nancy L. Bell.

Anderson - County.

R. F. W. # 1.

Postoffice

Palentine, Texas.

Filed

APR 18 1915

Approved

Apr. 19. 1915

Pension allowed from

Sept. 1. 1915

Rejected

[Signature]
Commissioner of Pensions.

For Use of Widows of Soldiers who are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF Anderson

I, Mrs. Nancy L. Bell, do hereby make application to the Commissioner of Pensions for a pension, to be granted me under the Act passed by the Thirty-third Legislature of the State of Texas, and approved April 7, A. D. 1913, on the following grounds:

I am the widow of U. J. Bell - deceased, who departed this life on the 5th day of Feby, A. D. 1915, in the county of Anderson, in the State of Texas

I have not remarried since the death of my said husband, and I do solemnly swear 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. I was married to him on the 31 day of March, A. D. 1861, in the county of Anderson, in the State of Louisiana.

My husband, the said U. J. Bell, enlisted and served in the military service of the Confederate States during the war between the States of the United States, and that he did not desert the Confederate Service. I have been a resident of the State of Texas since prior to January 1, A. D. 1900, and have been continuously since a citizen of the State of Texas. I do further state that I do not receive from any source whatever money or other means of support amounting in value to the sum of \$300.00 per annum, nor do I own in my own right, nor does anyone hold in trust for my benefit or use, estate or property, either real, personal or mixed, either in fee or for life, of the value of one thousand dollars, exclusive of the home of the value of not over \$1,000.00; nor do I receive any aid or pension from any other State, or from the United States, or from any other source, and I do further state that the answers given to the following questions are true:

- 1. What is your age? 73 years of age
2. Where were you born? Georgia
3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? Since 1853 continuously
4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? And what is your postoffice address? Since 1881 continuously; P. O. R # 1 - Palestine, Tex.
5. Did your husband draw a pension? If so, give his file number. Yes - 17273
6. What was your husband's full name? Uriah Joseph Bell.
7. What was the date of his death? Feby 5 - 1915
8. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? Texas
9. How long did your husband serve? If known to you give date of enlistment and discharge. One or four years

10. What was the name or letter of the company, or number of the battalion, regiment or battery of artillery in which your husband served? If he was transferred from one branch of service to another, give time of transfer, description of command and time of service. See 17, 273 - Anderson County

11. Name branch of service in which your husband served, whether infantry, cavalry, artillery or the navy, or if commissioned as an officer by the President, his rank and line of duty, or if detailed for special service, under the law of conscription, the nature of such service, and time of service. See 17, 273.

12. Have you transferred to others any property of any kind for the purpose of becoming a beneficiary under this law? No -

Wherefore your petitioner prays that her application for a pension may be approved and such other proceedings be had in the premises as are required by law.

(Signature of Applicant) - Nancy G. - Bell

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 1 day of April, A. D. 1915. E. V. Swift

County Judge Anderson County, Texas.

[Seal.]

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

[Note.—There must be at least two creditable witnesses.]

THE STATE OF TEXAS,)

COUNTY OF Anderson }

Before me, E. V. Swift, County Judge of Anderson County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared H. C. Williams + G. W. Brede, who are personally

known to me to be creditable citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know that

Mrs. Nancy L. Bell, applicant for a pension as the widow of V. J. Bell

deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of V. J. Bell deceased; that they personally

know that she has not remarried since the death of her husband, for whose service in the army she claims a pension,

and that they have no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness) H. C. Williams

(Signature of Witness) G. W. Brede

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 1 day of April, A. D. 1915

E. V. Swift

[Seal.]

County Judge Anderson County, Texas.

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COUNTY OF Anderson }

Before me, E. V. Swift, County Judge of Anderson County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared H. C. Williams + G. W. Brede, who are personally

known to me to be creditable citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know the

above named applicant for pension, and that they personally know that the said Nancy L. Bell

has been a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas since prior to January 1, A. D. 1900, and that they have

no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness) H. C. Williams

(Signature of Witness) G. W. Brede

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 1 day of April, A. D. 1916

E. V. Swift

[Seal.]

County Judge Anderson County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS, }
COUNTY OF..... }

Before me,....., County Judge of.....County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared....., who personally known to me to be creditable citizens, who, being by me sworn, on oath state that they are personally acquainted with the foregoing applicant, and that the facts set forth and statements made in her application are correct and true, to the best of their knowledge and belief, and that they have no interest in this claim. And further make oath to the following facts touching the service of the applicant's husband in the Confederate Army; (State fully your source of knowledge) :.....

*No Proof needed
See No 17,273*

(Signature of Witness).....
(Signature of Witness).....

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this.....day of....., A. D. 191.....

[Seal.]

County Judge.....County, Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR


I, *R. R. Dadler*, State and County Assessor in the County of *Anderson*, State of Texas, do certify that Mrs. *Nancy F. Bell* - whose name is signed to the foregoing application for a pension, under the Act of the Thirty-third Legislature, approved April 7, 1913, is charged on the tax rolls of said county with a homestead of the value of *None* Dollars, and of other property, real or personal, or both, of the value of *None* Dollars.

Given under my hand, this *1* day of *April* A. D. 191 *5*

R. R. Dadler
State and County Assessor.



Palentine. Tex
 March. 18. 1918

J. C. Jones. Dear sir
 I have written to the state
 Comptroller in regards to
 my Mothers death. Mrs
 Nancy. L. Bell. she died
 on the 13th of Feb. 1918
 I sent the check and
 Quarter Blank back to
 H. B. Terrell. he refered me
 to you the funeral expense
 was \$14.00 I will send his
 letter with this so you will
 know what to do hoping
 to hear from you soon
 yours truly
 Owen. Bell 
 Palentine. Bell
 Palentine. Tex. R. 9

March 19, 1918,

Mr. Owen Bell,
Palestine, Texas.

Dear Sir:-

I have your letter of the 18th inst., in which you advise me of the death of your mother, Mrs. Nancy L. Bell who was a pensioner from Anderson County.

Complying with your request I am sending you herewith blanks to be used in making claim for the mortuary warrant of Thirty Dollars which the state allows for burial expenses.

Awaiting to serve you further; I am

Yours truly,

J. C. Jones,

Commissioner of Pensions

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April 1, 1918.

Mr. Owen Bell,
Palestine, Texas.

Dear Sir:-

I have your application for the mortuary warrant on account of the death of Mrs. Nancy L. Bell who was a pensioner from Andersen County.

I note from your account that you make application for fourteen dollars and the state allows a mortuary warrant of Thirty Dollars. If you wish this amount (\$30.00) kindly fill in the duplicate affidavit which I am enclosing you or if you only wish Fourteen dollars. I will issue you the warrant for that amount.

Yours truly,

J. C. Jones,
Commissioner of Pensions

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No.

Owen Bell

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Fund

OFFICE OF
COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS
STATE OF TEXAS
AUSTIN

Correct, for the sum of \$

Charge to

Commissioner of Pensions.



Comptroller's Department
State of Texas
Austin

H. B. TERRELL, COMPTROLLER
L. W. TITTLE, CHIEF CLERK

March 14, 1918

Mr. Owen Bell,
Palestine, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your favor of March 11:

The heirs or legal representatives of a deceased pensioner are entitled to funeral expenses in any amount not exceeding Thirty Dollars, on filing properly executed claim with the State Pension Commissioner, J. C. Jones, Austin. Will suggest that you write Mr. Jones for blanks and necessary information to make out your claim.

Before claim for funeral expenses could be allowed it would be necessary to file with this Department the warrant issued for last quarter, which you have done, and I thank you for your promptness in this.

Yours very truly,

L. W. Tittle
Acting Comptroller.



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AFFIDAVIT

Return this affidavit to J. C. Jones, Commissioner of Pensions, Austin, Texas, at once. (Please return before April 15, 1918.)

STATE OF TEXAS,

ORIGINAL COUNTY

ANDERSON

County of

APPLICATION NO.

20985-

This is to certify that I am the identical person to whom a pension has been granted under Articles 6267-6285, R. S. 1911, an Act approved April 7, 1913.

I also certify that the county in which my application was originally made and the file number of said application, according to the records in the office of the Commissioner of Pensions, are the same as given in the upper right-hand corner of this affidavit.

I further certify that the same conditions exist as did at the time my application for pension was made, that I do not own real or personal property to the value of One Thousand Dollars, exclusive of my homestead, the value of which does not exceed One Thousand Dollars; that my annual income, not including my pension, does not exceed Three Hundred Dollars; that I am a bona fide resident of the State of Texas, and that I am not an inmate of the Confederate Home.

I hereby certify that I am personally acquainted with the pensioner whose signature appears above and that the statements made by _____ are true and correct. Signature of Pensioner.

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared the above-named parties, well known to me, who state under oath that the statements herein contained are true and correct. Witness _____ day of _____ A. D. 1911

(SEAL)

PENSIONER'S NAME AND ADDRESS

_____ in and for _____ County, Texas.

*This is to certify that the undersigned _____, are disinterested, credible witnesses and are in no wise related to the applicant whose signature is

affixed to the above statement; that the applicant resides in _____ County, Texas, R. O. _____ that the applicant is the identical person to whom a pension has been granted, and that the conditions which existed at the time of making said application and on which the pension was originally granted still exist; that the applicant signed the above statement in my presence. Witness my hand this _____ day of _____ A. D. 1911

Witnesses: }

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared _____ known to me to be one of the witnesses who signed the foregoing certificate, and on oath states that the statement of the pensioner above set out was made and signed in _____ presence, and that the statements contained therein are within the knowledge of affiant true and correct.

Sworn to and subscribed this _____ day of _____ A. D. 1911. Affiant _____

(SEAL) _____ in and for _____ County, Texas. *To be filled out and executed in case applicant cannot go before an officer to make affidavit. PENSIONER'S NAME AND ADDRESS. Approved for \$ _____

Commissioner of Pensions.

Read this affidavit before executing it.

AFFIDAVIT

Follow instructions and avoid delay and trouble.

NOTICE—RETURN THIS AFFIDAVIT TO J. J. JONES, COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS, AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON APRIL 15, 1915.

STATE OF TEXAS

Original County ANDERSON

COUNTY OF _____ Application No. 17273

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that I am the identical person to whom a pension has been granted under Articles 6267-6285, inc., R. S. 1911, and Act approved April 7, 1913.

I also certify that the county in which my application was originally made and the file number of said application, according to the records in the office of the Commissioner of Pensions, are the same as given in the upper right-hand corner of this affidavit.

I further certify that the same conditions exist as did at the time my application for pension was made, that I do not own real or personal property to the value of One Thousand Dollars, exclusive of my homestead, the value of which does not exceed One Thousand Dollars; that my annual income, not including my pension, does not exceed Three Hundred Dollars; that I am a bona fide resident of the State of Texas, and that I am not an inmate of the Confederate Home.

(Signature of Pensioner.)

I hereby certify that I am personally acquainted with the pensioner whose signature appears above and that the statements made by _____ are true and correct.



Witness.

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared the above-named parties, well known to me, who state under oath that the statements herein contained are true and correct.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, 191_____

(SEAL)

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PENSIONER'S POSTOFFICE

The address must be plainly written below or affidavit will be returned to officer taking same. _____ for _____ Co., Texas

(Name of Pensioner.)

R. F. D. _____ Street.

_____, Texas.

(City or Town.)

FILL ALL BLANKS

Approved for \$ _____

Commissioner of Pensions.

No. 825

Owen Bell

\$ 30⁰⁰

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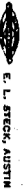
Confederate Pension Fund
Fund

OFFICE OF
COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS
STATE OF TEXAS
AUSTIN

Correct, for the sum of \$ 30⁰⁰

Confederate Pension Fund
Charge to

J. C. Jones
Commissioner of Pensions.



DUPLICATE
MORTUARY WARRANT

683-417-3M

In accordance with Law passed by Thirty-fifth Legislature of Texas in Regular Session

Salvatore Texas, *April* 1918

STATE OF TEXAS

To *Queen Bell* Dr.

WRITE ADDRESS PLAINLY

Account of Death of Pensioner No. 30985, County Anderson

Pensioner's Name in full Mrs. Nancy L. Bell

ITEMIZE ACCOUNT NOT TO EXCEED THIRTY DOLLARS.

Cost paid for Medical Treatment
Medicine for Coffin
Digging grave
Bury Bill

8.00
9.00
8.00
4.00
4.00
30.00

To above account for

Thirty

Dollars

is just, due and unpaid.

Queen Bell (IX)

Dated 2-13-18

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

5

day of *April*

1918

Last warrant 11-30-17

Notary Public

Anderson County

Notes

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E. L. STECK, AUSTIN

MORTUARY WARRANT

689-417-3M

In accordance with Law passed by Thirty-fifth Legislature of Texas in Regular Session

Anderson County Texas, *Feb 18th* 191*8*

STATE OF TEXAS

To *Queen Bell* Dr:

WRITE ADDRESS PLAINLY *Route 9 Palestine Texas*

Account of Death of Pensioner No. *30985*, County *Anderson*

Pensioner's Name in full *Mrs. Nancy I. Bell*

ITEMIZE ACCOUNT NOT TO EXCEED THIRTY DOLLARS.

*Material for Coffin
On Bill*

\$9.00

14.00

To above account for *Furniture* *00/00* Dollars

is just, due and unpaid.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this *20* day of *March* 191*8*

Wm. Bell  *Notary Public*

Notary Public, *Anderson* County, *Texas*

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APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT.

STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Anderson } I, Owen Bell

do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late Mrs. Nancy L. Bell, who was a pensioner of the State of Texas, and whose file number is 30985 and whose original county is Anderson

The said pensioner Mrs. Nancy L. Bell, died on the 13th day of February, 1918, in the town of Anderson, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of Owen Bell who was related to the pensioner as Son

That the warrant which application is hereby made for, shall be applied to paying all or part of the expenses incurred by the said pensioner Mrs. Nancy L. Bell

I further certify that the warrant for the current quarter has not been cashed by the pensioner, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I am related to the pensioner as (Friend) Son and that my home is in the town of Pecos, County of Anderson, State of Texas, that my postoffice address is Route 9 Palestine

Signed Owen Bell

Before me W. L. Horna, Notary Public in and for the County of Anderson, State of Texas, personally appeared Owen Bell, who being by me duly sworn did certify to, and sign the foregoing statement.

(Seal of Office)

W. L. Horna, Notary Public in and for Anderson, Texas

CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER.

I, G. J. Gurschler do certify that I am an undertaker in the town of Anderson, County of Anderson, State of Texas that I had charge of the body of Mrs. Nancy L. Bell, who died in the town of Anderson, County of Anderson, State of Texas on the 13 day of February, 1918. That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 14 day of February, 1918. That said body was buried in the Bell Cemetery, which is located in the County of Anderson, State of Texas, and that I am of the opinion that warrant herein applied for, should be issued to the said Owen Bell who makes the foregoing application.

Signed G. J. Gurschler Undertaker.

CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN.

I, Dr. R. M. Denny, do certify that I am a practicing physician and that I attended Mrs. Nancy L. Bell in his last illness, and am of the opinion that his ailments were Chronic softening of the brain incident to old age



I further certify that I am of the opinion that the Mortuary Warrant above requested, should be issued in the name of the aforementioned applicant, in accordance with Act passed by the 35th Legislature, and approved 1917.

Signed R. M. Denny Physician.

Physician's Address Palestine Tex