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DEAD FORM A

Soldier's Application for Pension

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

*P. D. D.*  
12-17-28

Name of Applicant.

*B. F. Chambers*

*Anderson* County.

Postoffice *Galvestine Tex.*

Filed *Apr - 13<sup>m</sup> - 1912*

Approved *June 1<sup>st</sup> 1912*

Pension allowed from *Sept 1<sup>st</sup> 1912*

Rejected

*H. B. ...*

Commissioner of Pensions.

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FORM A

For Use of Soldiers, Who are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of Anderson }

I, B. F. Chambers, do hereby make application to the Commissioner of Pensions for a pension to be granted me under the Act passed by the Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Texas, and approved March 26, A. D. 1909, on the following grounds:

I enlisted and served in the military service of the Confederate States during the war between the States of the United States, and that I did not desert the Confederate service, but during said war I was loyal and true to my duty, and never at any time voluntarily abandoned my post of duty in the said service; that I was honorably discharged or surrendered

(Give date and cause.)

that I have been a bona fide citizen of this State since prior to January 1, A. D. 1880, and have been continuously since a citizen of the State of Texas. I do further state that I do not hold any national, State, city or county office which pays me a salary or fees one hundred and fifty dollars per annum, nor have I an income from any other employment or other source whatever which amounts to one hundred and fifty dollars per annum, nor do I receive from any source whatever money or other means of support amounting in value to the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars per annum, nor do I own in my own right, nor does any one hold in trust for my benefit or use, nor does my wife own, nor does any one hold in trust for my wife, estate or property, either real, personal or mixed, either in fee or for life, of the assessed value of over one thousand 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 not an inmate of the Confederate Home, and I do further state that the answers given to the following questions are true:

1. What is your age? sixty five
2. Where were you born? Alabama
3. How long have you resided in Texas? sixty years
4. In what county do you reside? Anderson
5. How long have you resided in said county and what is your postoffice address? sixty years  
Pelestine Tex.
6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law and been rejected? If rejected, state when and where No
7. What is your occupation, if able to engage in one? Confectioner
8. In what State was the command in which you served organized? Texas
9. How long did you serve? Give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge. About 2 years
10. What was the letter of your company, number or name of battalion, regiment or battery? Company  
A. 2nd Texas Cavalry.
11. If transferred from one command to another, give time of transfer, name of command and time of service. No transfer (TX)
12. What branch of the service did you enlist in—infantry, cavalry, artillery or navy? Cavalry

13. If commissioned direct by the President, what was your rank and line of duty? ✓

14. If detailed for special service, under the law of conscription, what was the nature of your service and how long did you serve? ✓

15. Have you transferred to others any property of any kind for the purpose of becoming a beneficiary under this law? I have not.

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

(Signature of Applicant) Ray F Chambers

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of February, A. D. 1912

M. H. Harding  
County Judge Anderson County, Texas.

[SEAL.]

### AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

[NOTE.—There must be at least two credible witnesses.]

THE STATE OF TEXAS }  
County of Anderson }

Before me M. H. Harding, County Judge of Anderson County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared V. G. Dubois & N. F. Morris, who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know B. F. Chambers the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said B. F. Chambers has been a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas since prior to January 1, A. D. 1880, and that they have no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness) V. G. Dubois

(Signature of Witness) N. F. Morris

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of February, A. D. 1912

M. H. Harding  
County Judge Anderson County, Texas.

[SEAL.]

### AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS }  
County of .....

Before me ....., County Judge of ..... County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared ..... who are personally known to me to be credible 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 his application are correct



THE STATE OF TEXAS.

COUNTY OF ANDERSON.

Before me, the undersigned authority, a notary public in and for Anderson County, Texas, on this day personally appeared J. W. Ozment, known to me to be a credible citizen of Anderson County, Texas, who being duly sworn on oath says: I personally know Benjamin Franklin Chambers and have for a great many years. I know that said B. F. Chambers enlisted and performed the duties of a soldier in the confederate army. He enlisted in the year 1864 and served to the close of the war. He was a member of the same company as myself which was Company "A" of the 2nd. Texas Cavalry. He made a good soldier and never at any time voluntarily abandoned his post of duty. *I am 69 years old*

*J. W. Ozment*  
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Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the 7 day of October 1911.

*J. L. Robinson*  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 (off. tit.) Notary Public

B. F. Chamberlain

*[Handwritten signature]*

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THE STATE OF TEXAS.

COUNTY OF ANDERSON.

Before me, O. C. Funderburk, County judge in and for Anderson County, Texas on this day personally appeared George A. Wright, known to me to be ~~XXX~~ a credible witness of this county, who being by me duly sworn on oath says: I personally know Benjamin Franklin Chambers, and have known him all his life. I am 65 years of age; I personally know that the said Chambers enlisted in the army of the Southern Confederacy and performed the duties of a soldier from the Spring of 1864 ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ till the close of the war in 1865. I served in the same Company and Regiment with him which was Company "A" of the 2nd. Texas Cavalry; He made a good soldier and never at any time voluntarily abandoned his post of duty.

George A. Wright

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the 7th' day of October  
A. D. 1911.

O. C. Funderburk

County judge, Anderson County, Texas.



ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
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Address: "The Adjutant General,  
War Department, Washington, D. C."

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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

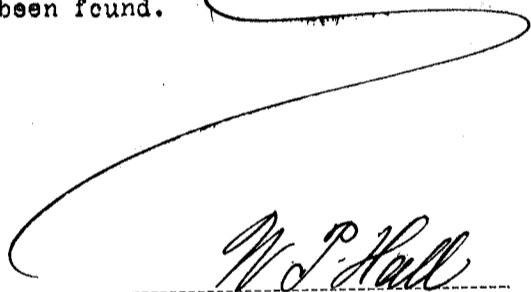
WASHINGTON, April 17, 1912.

*Respectfully returned to the*  
Commissioner of Pensions,

State of Texas, Austin.

The name B. F. Chambers has not  
been found on the rolls, on file in  
this office, of the 2d Texas Cavalry,  
Confederate States Army.

The records of prisoners of war  
show that one Benjamin F. Chambers,  
private, Company A, 2d Texas Cavalry,  
Confederate States Army, was surrend-  
ered at New Orleans, Louisiana, May 26,  
1865. No further record of him has  
been found.



The Adjutant General.

(A.G.O.72-1) Per



C. C. McDONALD, SECRETARY OF STATE  
J. R. ELLIOTT, CHIEF CLERK

Department of State,

State of Texas,

Austin.

December 12, 1911.

Hon R. A. Buford,  
Pension Commissioner,  
C a p i t o l.

Dear Sir:--

The enclosed letter from Mr. Benjamin F. Chambers, No. 83 East Dallas Street, Palestine, Texas, is respectfully referred to you for your consideration and reply. I am

Yours truly,

Secretary of State.

DAG---B



**O. C. FUNDERBURK**  
Attorney at Law  
**COUNTY JUDGE**  
Anderson County

Palestine, Texas,

December 22, 1911.

Hon. C. C. McDonald, Secy. of State.

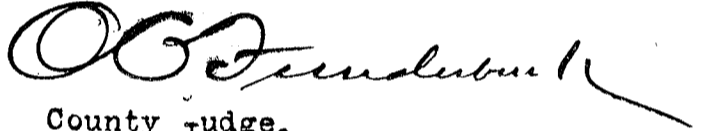
Austin, Texas

Dear Sir,-

Answering your letter of recent date in which you say you have no record of having received affidavits proving up the Confederate service of Mr. B. F. Chambers of this county, I am re enclosing said affidavits and a letter from you to the Pension Commissioner, which was returned to Mr. Chambers.

Please make the necessary record of these affidavits in your office and oblige,

Yours truly,

  
County Judge.



**W. H. HARDING**  
COUNTY JUDGE  
Anderson County  
Texas

Palatine, Texas, April 12th., 1912.

Hon. R.A. Buford

Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir:-

I am enclosing herewith, the application and proof of residence of B.F. Chambers, and am requesting that you call upon the Secretary of State for proof of his service.

Yours Truly



*W. H. Harding*  
County Judge, Anderson Co., Tex.

APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Anderson } I, Clarence Chambers

do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late B. F. Chambers, who was a pensioner of the

State of Texas, and whose file number was 20810 and whose original county was Anderson

The said pensioner B. F. Chambers, died on the 14 day of Dec, 1928, in the town of Palestine County of Anderson, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of his own home who was related to the pensioner as \_\_\_\_\_

That the warrant, which application is hereby made for, shall be applied to paying all or part of the funeral expenses incurred by the said pensioner B. F. Chambers

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. He cashed his last warrant about 3 months ago

I am related to the pensioner as (Friend) Son that my postoffice address is Stocum Texas Street or R. F. D.

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Signed Clarence Chambers Sworn to before me this 18 day of Dec, 1928

Notary Public in and for Anderson State of Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, Tom Bailey, do certify that I am undertaker in the town of Palestine, County of Anderson, State of Texas

that I had charge of the body of B. F. Chambers who died in the town of Palestine, County of Anderson, State of Texas

on the 14 day of Dec, 1928. That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 14 day of Dec, 1928, and that I am of the opinion that

warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said B. F. Clarence Chambers who makes the foregoing application.

Signed T. Bailey Undertaker.

CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, E. W. Link, do certify that I am a practicing physician, and that I attended B. F. Chambers in his last illness, and am of the opinion that his ailments were \_\_\_\_\_

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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 Thirty-eighth Legislature and approved March 2, 1923.

Signed E. W. Link M.D. Physician's Address Stocum Texas

Must return before 40 days expires from date of deceased's death

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