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FORM A

Soldier's Application for 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.

W. W. Lunsford
Anderson County.

Postoffice Brushy Creek
Tex.

Filed Oct. 31 1913

Approved Sept 1 1913

Pension allowed from Dec 1 1913

Rejected

George W. ...
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, Uriah Williamson Lunsford 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. I was discharged at close of civil war at near Alexandria - La

(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? 75 years
2. Where were you born? Montgomery County, Ala.
3. How long have you resided in Texas? Since 1869 continuously
4. In what county do you reside? Anderson Co.
5. How long have you resided in said county and what is your postoffice address? Since 1869 - address: Bushy Creek, Texas
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? Not able -
8. In what State was the command in which you served organized? Louisiana TX
9. How long did you serve? Give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge. Enlisted in March 1862, and stayed until the end
10. What was the letter of your company, number of battalion, regiment or battery? Company C - Crescent Regiment - A. W. Hyatt - Colonel.
11. If transferred from one command to another, give time of transfer, name of command and time of service. Was transferred from Company C to Company F in 1865 - but still remained in same Regiment -
12. What branch of the service did you enlist in—infantry, cavalry, artillery or navy? Infantry

I have my home worth \$290 - and \$400 personal property no other property -

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

I was 5th Sergeant.

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

A Volunteer - Never detailed -

15. 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 his application for pension be approved and such other proceedings be had in the premises as are required by law.

(Signature of Applicant)

W. H. Lunsford

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this

23

day of

June

A. D. 19

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E. V. Swift

[SEAL.]

County Judge *Anderson* County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

[NOTE.]—There must be at least two credible 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 *V. F. McBoer & Gen. A. Wright*, who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know

W. H. Lunsford the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said *W. H. Lunsford* 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 his claim.

(Signature of Witness)

V. F. McBoer

(Signature of Witness)

Gen. A. Wright

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this

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E. V. Swift

[SEAL.]

County Judge *Anderson* County, Texas.

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(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

Anderson

Before me

E. V. Swift

County Judge of

Anderson

County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *Mr. A. G. Jones* 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 and true, to the best of ^{his} their knowledge and belief, and that ~~they~~ have no interest in this claim, and said applicant's habits are good and free from dishonor. And A. G. Jones further make oath to the following facts touching the applicant's service in the Confederate Army: (State fully your source of knowledge.)

I was A. G. Jones was surgeon in the Crescent Regiment - A. W. Hyatt - Colonel - My name was carried on the roll on Linnstade's Regiment, where I was also surgeon - This being Tappin's Brigade, 33 Arkansas Regiment - I was surgeon for the regiment N. W. Lunsford was in - I saw Lunsford throughout the civil war - and I treated him - He and I knew each other and I personally know he served in the civil war - I know he served a year or two, but don't know the exact length of his service - He never deserted, and never voluntarily abandoned his post of duty - He is made a good and brave soldier - I knew no other man by this name.

(Signature of Witness) A. G. Jones
(Signature of Witness) _____

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 24 day of September, A. D. 1913
[SEAL.] E. V. Swift County Judge Anderson County, Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF THE STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR

I, C. B. Rogers, State and County Assessor in the County of Anderson

State of Texas, do certify that N. W. Lunsford or his wife, or his trustee, or trustee for his wife, whose name is signed to the foregoing application for a pension, under the Act of the Thirty-first Legislature, approved March 26, A. D. 1909, is charged on the land and personal property rolls of said county with estate, real,

personal and mixed, at the assessed value of \$ 390.00 which is his home of 3 1/2 acres out in the country - also \$400.00 outside of home - no other property of any description. Given under my hand, this 30 day of October, A. D. 1913

C. B. Rogers
State and County Assessor.



DEPOSITION IN PENSION CLAIMS, with Caption and Certificates.

160-1212-500

EX PARTE

W. W. Lunsford

IN RE APPLICANT for CONFEDERATE PENSION

Under Act March 26, 1909, pending

in Anderson

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

County, Texas, before the Honorable County Judge of said County.

Answers and depositions of (1) *N. R. Funderburk, Caldwell La., Parish, P.O. age 65 years*

to the accompanying interrogations (2) *Yes I have known him all my life propounded to him in the above entitled cause taken before (3) I first knew him in Louisiana in accordance with the accompanying (7) Parish Louisiana*

To the first interrogatory the said *N. R. Funderburk*

Witness, answers *Yes I knew that W. W. Lunsford had enlisted in the Confederate army & done duty as a soldier from in spring or summer of 1863 to the close of the war. Yes he went out in Zachary's Battalion don't know the Co. But after we were consolidated in Crescent Regiment he belonged to the Crescent Reg. Service up & down Red river in Louisiana. he was a private soldier. he was not conscripted but volunteered. No I did not know of any other man in said service by the name of W. W. Lunsford.*

Yes W. W. Lunsford served honorably in the Confederate army from the date of enlistment to the close of the war. but got no discharge we went to Natchitoches La. to get a discharge & waited several days & no officer came to discharge us & our officers to us to go home.

This is to certify that N. R. Funderburk is known by me that he is an honorable citizen know my own. It makes oath before to the foregoing witness instrument Personally appeared N. R. Funderburk before me a Notary Public in & for Caldwell Parish La. who being duly sworn deposes & says on & attests that what he has said on this sheet of paper concerning W. W. Lunsford is true to the best of his knowledge.

So help me God.

N. R. Funderburk Sworn and subscribed to before me This, October 4th day 1918

T. H. Owen.

Notary Public



Signed on front page

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 4th day of Oct., 1913.

J. H. Owen,
Notary Public

THE STATE OF Louisiana

County of Caldwell

I, J. H. Owen, (Here give name and official character of officer before whom taken)

do hereby certify that N. R. Funderburk
and is are personally known to me to be credible citizens of said
County and State, and that the foregoing answers of N. R. Funderburk

the witness before named, and

whose name appear signed to the foregoing deposition, were made before
me and were sworn to and subscribed before me, by said witness (4) N. R. Funderburk

Given under my hand and official seal, this the 4th day of Oct, 1913.

(L. S.)

J. H. Owen,
Notary Public

NOTE.—In Texas, any Clerk of the District Court, any Judge and Clerk of the County Court, or any Notary Public or Justice of the Peace, within their respective Counties, are authorized to take depositions.
Out of the State and within the United States—any Clerk of a Court of Record having a seal, and Notary Public, or any Commissioner of Deeds of Texas.

File No. _____

In _____ County, Texas.

Before the Honorable Judge of Said County.

EX PARTE

Applicant for Pension

DEPOSITION
OF

Witness for Applicant.

Filed _____ day

of _____, 1913

_____ Clerk.

By _____ Deputy.

Fee for Taking Deposition, \$ _____

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- (1) Here give the name and residence of each witness.
- (2) Here state "and cross interrogatories," if any.
- (3) Here give the name and official character of the person taking the deposition.
- (4) Here state "respectively," if more than one witness.
- (5) Here state whether "Commission, or agreement," if Commission was waived.

EX PARTE

W. W. Lunsford
Applicant for Confederate Pension.

Pending in *Anderson* County,
Texas, before the Honorable County Judge of
said County.

The Honorable County Judge of *Anderson* County, Texas,
will please take notice that, five days after the service hereof, applicant herein will apply to the Clerk of the County
Court of said County and State for a commission to take the depositions of *N. R. Funderbark*
and *_____* who reside in the County
of *Caldwell* in the State of *Louisiana* in answer to the following interrogatories and
such cross-interrogatories as may be propounded by the County Judge of said County, which will be read in evidence
upon the hearing of applicant's claim for pension in behalf of applicant; said testimony is material and indispensable
to applicant in furnishing the required proof of claim for a pension under the Act of March 26, 1909, the applica-
tion for which is now pending before the Honorable County Judge, and the facts necessary and required to be proven
under the provisions of said act, applicant believes can not be proven by any witness residing in the County of
Anderson and State of Texas, of which *he* is a bona fide resident.

W. W. Lunsford
(Applicant) Attorney for Applicant.

Direct Interrogatories to be Propounded to the Witness

N. R. Funderbark

- INT. 1. What is your name? Age? Present place of residence and postoffice address?
- INT. 2. Do you personally know, or did you at any time know *W. W. Lunsford* who
is an applicant for pension under Act of March 26, 1909? *April 7-1913*
- INT. 3. How long had you known the said *W. W. Lunsford*
and when and where did you first know him?
- INT. 4. Do you personally know that the said *W. W. Lunsford*
enlisted in the service of the Confederacy, and performed the duties of a soldier or a sailor?
- INT. 5. Do you personally know in what company and regiment the said *W. W. Lunsford*
enlisted and served in the Confederate army? When? Where? And the time of service? If you person-
ally knew and so have stated that he enlisted and served in the Confederate navy, then state: When? Where?
And how long he so served?
- INT. 6. Do you personally know that *W. W. Lunsford*
was commissioned as an officer directly by the President of the Confederate States? What was his rank and
line of duty?
- INT. 7. Do you further know if *W. W. Lunsford* was, under the
provisions of the conscript law, detailed for any kind of special service in the field, shops, armories, etc., of
the Confederacy? What was the nature of his service, and how long did he serve?

CROSS INTERROGATORIES.

To be Propounded to *N. R. Funderbark*



CROSS INTERROGATORY 1. If, in answer to the foregoing direct interrogatories, you have stated that you personally
know or did know said *W. W. Lunsford* and that you know that he enlisted in the service of the
Confederacy and performed the duties of a soldier or sailor, and having named the company and regiment, or special
service in which *W. W. Lunsford* so enlisted and served, then please state fully what is
your source of such knowledge? And state whether or not you know, or at any time you knew of any other soldier or
sailor by the name of *W. W. Lunsford* serving in the same company or regiment, or special
service in which you say the said *W. W. Lunsford* enlisted, if you have stated that said
W. W. Lunsford enlisted and served in the navy of the Confederacy, then state whether or

not you know any other soldier or sailor of the same name as said W. W. Lunsford
applicant serving in the same command, or the special service to which he was assigned?

If you say that you so know other soldiers or sailors of the same name of W. W. Lunsford
then can you and how do you identify and locate the one from the other or others?

Cross INT. 2. Are you positively certain that said W. W. Lunsford
is the identical person serving as testified by you?

Cross INT. 3. Do you know whether or not the said W. W. Lunsford
served honorably from the date of his enlistment until the close of the late Civil War between the States, or until he
was discharged from said company and regiment, or the special service to which he had been assigned?

Cross INT. 4. Do you know whether or not the said W. W. Lunsford
deserted his command, or voluntarily abandoned his post of duty or the service during said war?

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Anderson

I, E. V. Swift, County Judge of said County, in said State,
do hereby waive copy of interrogatories, notice, time and issuance of commission, and it is hereby agreed that the answers
to the hereinabove direct and cross interrogatories of the said herein named witness may be attached hereto.

E. V. Swift

County Judge Anderson County, Texas.

W. W. Lunsford

(Applicant) Attorney for Applicant.

In Re

Application for Confederate Pension.

FOR USE OF SOLDIERS OR WIDOWS.

County, Texas.

Pending before the County Judge of said County.

EX PARTE

Applicant.

INTERROGATORIES propounded to

Witnesses.

E. V. SWIFT

Attorney-at-Law
COUNTY JUDGE
Anderson County

Palentine, Texas, October 30th. 1913.

Hon. Geo. W. Kyser,
Pension Commissioner,
Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir:

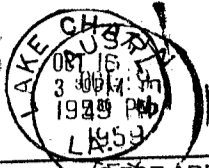
I herewith enclose pension application of Mr. U. W. Lunsford, for a Confederate Pension. I have known Mr. Lunsford for many years, and know him to be upright and honorable. He served as County Treasurer of this County for four years, and is liked and respected by all who know him. He has lived in this County a great many years, but has never applied for a pension before. He is in need now. His family is sick, and the old man is getting along in years. I sincerely recommend him application. I know that he was in the war from general reputation, and know that he is most worthy in every respect.

Yours very truly,

E. V. Swift
County Judge.

*Please send Mr. Lunsford a postal
acknowledging receipt of application*

Mrs. M. D. O'Neal, Vice Pres.
La. Div., United Daughters
of the Confederacy, 1648 Hodges
Lake Charles, La.



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Lake Charles La

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Dear Sirs: Can you
give me any information
about W. W. Lunsford

who fought in Confederate
Army. Need this for our
family. We have
no precise knowledge
of his service or rank.

Thank you kindly.

23772 Ina O'Neal
Anderson

Mr. M. D. O'Neal
1648 Hodges

31973 Lake Charles La

October 21, 1959

Mrs. M. D. O'Neal
1648 Hodges
Lake Charles, Louisiana

U. W. Lunsford, deceased
Confederate Pensioner. File
No. 23772 Anderson Co., Texas

Dear Mrs. O'Neal:

The records of this office show U. W. Lunsford of Brushy Creek, Anderson County, Texas, executed an application for Confederate Pension in the State of Texas, on June 23, 1913. At that time he stated he was 75 years of age. Date of birth is not shown. He was born in Montgomery County, Alabama and had resided in Texas since 1869.

U. W. Lunsford, also shown as Uriah Williamson Lunsford, stated he enlisted in March of 1862 in Company C, Crescent Regiment. A. W. Hyatt was Colonel of the Regiment, Louisiana Infantry. He was transferred from Company C to Company L in 1865 but still remained in the same regiment of Infantry, C. S. A. Mr. Lunsford stated he was a 5th Sergeant.

The application for pension of Mr. Lunsford was approved on the affidavits of A. G. Jones of Anderson County, Texas, and N. R. Funderburk of Caldwell Parish, Louisiana. Both swore they had knowledge of the service of U. W. Lunsford. Mr. Lunsford stated he was discharged at the close of the Civil War near Alexandria, La., exact date not given.

U. W. Lunsford drew a Confederate Pension from Texas until his death in August, 1915 in Anderson County, Texas, according to the application for pension filed by his widow, Mrs. Sarah A. Lunsford.

The records also show Mrs. Sarah A. Lunsford, widow of Uriah Williamson Lunsford, executed an application for Confederate Pension on the service record of her deceased husband on September 16, 1915. At that time she stated she was 74 years old. Date of birth is not shown. She was born in the State of Arkansas.

Mr & Mrs. Lunsford were married on December 20, 1860 in Union Parish, Louisiana. Mr. Lunsford died on Aug. 7, 1915 in Anderson County, Texas. The application for pension of Mrs. Sarah A. Lunsford was approved under File No. 31973. She drew a pension from Texas until her death on May 23, 1920 in Palestine, Anderson County, Texas, Route 3. Her death occurred in the home of Mrs. Lillie S. Reeves, her daughter, at Palestine, Texas. Burial in the Concord Cemetery, located in Anderson County, Texas.

No further information is given.

Yours very truly,

Robert S. Calvert
Comptroller of Public Accounts

