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FORM NO. 1—AMENDED  
OCTOBER 1, 1902

CONFEDERATE PENSION APPLICATION

Name of Applicant

*P. W. Cotton*

*Anderson* County,

Post Office *Galatine*

Comptroller's File No. **13687**

I have carefully examined the within application for pension, together with the proof in support thereof and I recommend that the application be **Approved**

this ..... day of **SEP 26 1903**

A. D. ....

*E. A. Colwell*  
Chief Pension Clerk

I hereby **Approve** within application for pension, this **SEP 26 1903** day of

*A. D. [Signature]*  
Comptroller

No Application Rejected by County Judge or County Commissioners Should be Forwarded to Comptroller

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NOTE—The law provides that pensions can begin only on the first day of April and October of each year.

FORM No. 1. Amended October 1, 1902.

APPLICATION of Indigent Soldier or Sailor of the late Confederacy for pension under the Act of May 12, 1899. Hereafter use no other blank but this.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Anderson

To the Honorable County Judge of Anderson County, Texas:

Your petitioner, P. C. Cotten respectfully represents that he is a resident citizen of Anderson County, in the State of Texas, and that he makes this application for the purpose of obtaining a pension under the act passed by the Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Texas, and approved May 12, A. D. 1899, the same being an act entitled "An Act to carry into effect the amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing that aid may be granted to disabled and dependent Confederate soldiers, sailors, and their widows under certain conditions, and to make an appropriation therefor," and I do solemnly swear that the answers I have given to the following questions are true.

NOTE—Applicant must make answer to all of the following questions, and such answers must be written out plainly in ink.

Q. What is your name? Answer P. C. Cotten

Q. What is your age? Answer 72 years

Q. In what County do you reside? Answer Anderson

Q. How long have you resided in said County and what is your postoffice address? Answer about 50 years, Palestine Tex.

Q. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate Pension Law heretofore, and been rejected? If so, state when and where? Answer No

Q. What is your occupation, if able to engage in one? Answer Farmer

Q. What is your physical condition? Answer very weak

Q. If your physical condition is such that you are unable by your own labor to earn a support, state what caused such disability. Answer Heart trouble & general disability

Q. In what State was your command originally organized? Answer Texas

Q. How long did you serve? Give date of enlistment and discharge. Answer about 3 years - enlisted Feb 1862 & served till close of war.

Q. What was the name or letter of your company and name or number of your regiment? Answer Company "D" 13<sup>th</sup> Texas Cavalry dismounted.

Q. State whether you served in the infantry, artillery, cavalry, or the navy. Answer Cavalry dismounted

Q. State whether or not you have received any pension or veteran donation land certificate under any previous law, and if you answer in the affirmative state what pension or veteran donation land certificate you have received. Answer None



Q. What real and personal property do you now own, and what is the present value of such property? Give list of such property and value. Answer 1 horse \$5000

- Q. What property, and what was the value thereof, have you sold or conveyed within two years prior to the date of this application? Answer None -
- Q. What estate has your wife in her own right, real and personal, and what is its value? Answer None
- Q. What income, if any, do you receive? Answer None
- Q. Are you in indigent circumstances; that is, are you in actual want, and destitute of property and means of subsistence? Answer Yes
- Q. Are you unable by your labor to earn a support? Answer Yes
- Q. Have you transferred to others any property of value of any kind for the purpose of becoming a beneficiary under this law? Answer No
- Q. Did you ever desert the Confederacy? Answer No
- Q. Have you been continuously since the first day of January, 1880, a bona fide resident citizen of this State? Answer Yes
- Q. If you originally enlisted in the Confederate service from the State of Texas, were you at the date of the passage of this act, a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas? Answer Yes

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

(Signature of Applicant) J. C. Cotton

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 17th day of March A. D. 1908

[SEAL]

P. H. Martin

County Judge Anderson County, Texas.

**AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES.**

(NOTE—There must be at least two credible witnesses.)

**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 duly sworn on oath, state that they personally know \_\_\_\_\_ the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said \_\_\_\_\_ is unable to support himself by labor of any sort.

(Signature of Witness) \_\_\_\_\_

(Signature of Witness) \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn to and subscribed before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ A. D. \_\_\_\_\_

(SEAL)

County Judge \_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF PHYSICIAN.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Anderson  
County Judge of Anderson  
Ed Rose

Before me P. E. Erwin  
County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared Dr. P. C. Cotten

, who is a reputable practicing physician of this County, who being by me duly sworn on oath, states that he has carefully and thoroughly examined P. C. Cotten applicant for a pension, and finds him laboring under the following disabilities which render him unable to labor at any work or calling sufficient to earn a support for himself:

Nervous Prostration complicated with Cardiac trouble

(Signature of Physician) Ed Rose M.D.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 31 day of July A. D. 1908

(SEAL)

County Judge Anderson County, Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY JUDGE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Anderson  
County Judge of Anderson  
P. C. Cotten

I P. E. Erwin

County, State of Texas, do hereby certify that on the 17 day of March A. D. 1908, before me came on to be heard the application of P. C. Cotten

for a pension under the Confederate Pension Law of this State, approved May 12, A. D. 1899; that the answers of said applicant to the questions propounded were made under oath as the same appear in writing in the foregoing application; that the affidavits of the witnesses who are credible citizens were made before me as the same hereinbefore appear, and that the foregoing affidavit of Doctor Ed Rose who is a reputable practicing physician of this county, was made before me. I also certify that the said applicant P. C. Cotten, is not an inmate of the Texas Confederate Home, nor otherwise disqualified under the provision of Section 12, of the Confederate Pension Law. I further certify that after considering all the proceedings had before me relative to the said application for a pension by the said P. C. Cotten I find the said applicant is lawfully entitled to the pension provided by the Confederate Pension Law of this State, and I hereby approve said application.

Witness my hand and seal of office at Calistone this 11<sup>th</sup> day of Aug A. D. 1908

(SEAL)

County Judge Anderson County, Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Anderson  
Court of Anderson  
P. C. Cotten  
by Hon. P. E. Erwin

We, the undersigned members of the Commissioners

County, Texas, hereby certify that the foregoing application of P. C. Cotten for a pension, together with the proof in support thereof, was duly submitted by Hon. P. E. Erwin County Judge of this Anderson County, to the Commissioners of this Anderson County, at a regular term thereof on the 10 day of Aug A. D. 1908, and after a careful consideration of the same we find the said applicant is lawfully entitled to the pension provided for by the Confederate Pension Law of this State, and we hereby approve said application.

Witness our hands and seal of office at Calistone this 12 day of Anderson A. D. 1908

(Signature of Commissioners)

(SEAL)

J. F. Nash  
W. H. Farish  
W. M. Hermon  
W. M. Bonn





## Comptroller's Department

State of Texas

Austin

SEP 8 1864

J. W. STEPHENS, COMPTROLLER  
JOHN T. SMITH, CHIEF CLERKTo the **Adjutant General**  
Military Secretary,

War Department,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to request the military record of

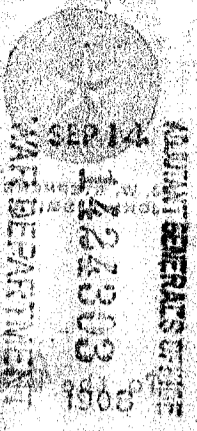
*P. C. Cotton* who is reported to have enlisted in  
 Company *D*, *13<sup>th</sup>* Regiment *Texas Cavalry*  
 in the service of the Confederate States army.

Purpose: The person above named is an applicant for a Confederate pension granted by this State, and I desire to verify his proof of service.

Very respectfully,

*J. W. Stephens*  
 Comptroller





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ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
WAR DEPARTMENT  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

*Austin, Texas*

*Ap 5 1908*

*P. C. Cotten*

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*Texas State of*

*John Stephens Compt*

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Address: "The Adjutant General,  
War Department, Washington, D. C."

**WAR DEPARTMENT,** 1424303

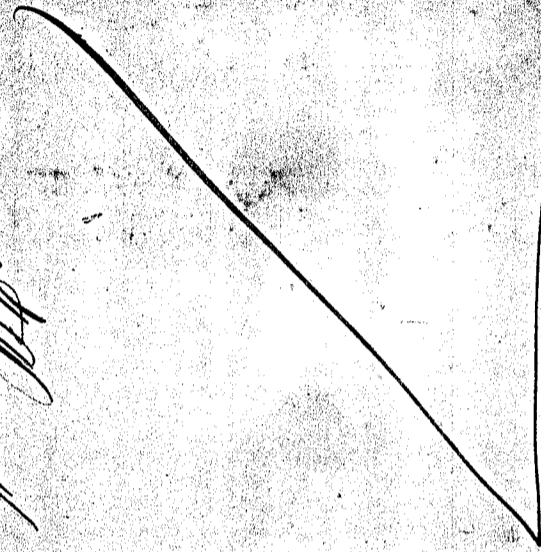
**THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,**

WASHINGTON, September 15, 1908.

*Respectfully returned to the*

Comptroller,  
State of Texas,  
Austin.

The records show that P. C. Cotten, private, corporal and sergeant, Company D, 13th Texas Cavalry, Confederate States Army, enlisted February 22, 1862, in Anderson County, Texas, and that he is accounted for as present on the muster roll of the company for January and February, 1864, the last on file. Nothing further has been found of record in his case.



(e.a. 72-1)

*The Adjutant General*

Received A. G. O. SEP 11 1908

Application of P.O. Getten for a Confederate Pension, before the Hon. Commissioners' Court of Anderson County, Texas.

The State of Texas

County of Anderson Before me R. B. Erwin Co. Judge in and for said County and State on this day personally appeared M P. Gaines, who after being by me duly sworn on oath says, that his name is M.P. Gaines, he is 65 years of age, and that his P.O. Address is Palestine, Texas.

That he is personally acquainted with P.O. Getten applicant for a confederate pension, and have known him for about 46 years, first know him in Anderson County, Texas, he and I served in the same Company and Regiment during the war, I personally know that he enlisted in Company 222 "D" 15th Texas Cavalry in 1862 Feb. 1862 and performed the duties of a soldier till the close of the war. The applicant never deserted the confederacy, and is unable to earn a support by labor of any sort.

M. P. Gaines

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 24th day of March, 1908.

R. B. Erwin  
Co. Judge of Anderson County, Texas.



Application of O. C. Cotten for a confederate pension, before the Honor. Commissioners' Court of Anderson, County, Texas.

State of Texas }  
 County of Anderson } Before me A. E. Erwin  
 County Judge in & for Anderson Co. Tex,  
 on this day personally appeared Jno. Campbell, who after being by me duly sworn on oath says: That his name is Jno Campbell & that he is 43 years of age, his P. O. address is Palestine, Texas, that ~~that~~ he is personally acquainted with O. C. Cotten applicant for a confederate pension, have known him since Feb 1862, first knew him in Anderson County Texas, he & I served in the same Company & Regiment during the war & I personally know that he enlisted in Company "D" 13<sup>th</sup> Texas Cavalry Dismounted in Feb 1862 & performed the duties of a soldier till the close of the war. I also know that the applicant is unable to earn a support of any sort.

Wm<sup>th</sup> Campbell  
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Subscribed & sworn to before me this the 19<sup>th</sup> day of March A. D. 1908.

A. E. Erwin  
 Co. Judge Anderson Co. Texas.

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