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FORM B.

Dec 22 1943
**WIDOW'S APPLICATION
FOR A PENSION**

The Comptroller of Public Accounts reserves the right to call for additional testimony if he deems it necessary.

Name of Applicant.

Mrs. Lorraine Howell

County.

R. F. D. or Street No.

Postoffice *Hecher, Texas,*

Filed

Mar 30 - 1925

Approved

Mar 30 - 1925

Pension allowed from *Mar 1 - 1925*

Rejected

A. H. Russell
Comptroller of Public Accounts

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Widow's Application for Confederate Pension

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Anderson

I, Mrs. Lavonia Thomas do hereby make application to the Comptroller of Public Accounts 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 H. S. Thomas deceased, who departed this life on the 11 day of March, A. D. 1925, in the county of Anderson in the State of

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 26th day of Jan, A. D. 1870 in the county of Wood in the State of Texas*

My husband, the said H. S. Thomas, 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 above 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 \$2000; 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? 74 yrs.
- 2. Where were you born? Gren Co. Ala.
- 3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? 69 yrs.
- 4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? 5 yrs.
- 5. What is your postoffice address? Michs. Texas
- 6. Did your husband draw a pension? yes If so, give his file number 17008
- 7. What is your husband's full name? Herden Sant Antonio Thomas
- 8. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? 17008

9. How long did your husband serve? 17008 If known to you, give date of enlistment and discharge

10. What was the name or letter of the company, or number of the regiment 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, (If applicant's husband was a pensioner give his file number, which is evidence sufficient for proof of service.) 17008

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. 17008

12. Have you transferred to another 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 required by law.

(Signature of Applicant) Lavonia Thomas

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 27 day of March A. D. 1925

W. C. Smith
County Judge Anderson County, Texas.

[Seal.]

*Where applicant has remarried it is necessary that she state facts covering particulars of last marriage, date, to whom married, and date of last husband's death. She must also state that she is now a widow.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Anderson

Before me, H. C. Quirk, County Judge of Anderson County,
State of Texas, on this day personally appeared J. M. Valentine and
M. A. Edgeworth, who are personally known to me to be creditable citi-
zens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know that Mrs. Lavonia
Thomas, applicant for a pension as the widow of H. S. Thomas
deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of H. S. Thomas deceased; that they personally
know that she has not remarried since the death of her husband, for whose services in the army she claims
a pension, and that they have no interest in this claim.*

(Signature of Witness) J. M. Valentine
(Signature of Witness) M. A. Edgeworth

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 27 day of March, A. D. 1925

H. C. Quirk
County Judge Anderson County, Texas.

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zens, 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 Mrs. Lavonia Thomas
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) J. M. Valentine
(Signature of Witness) M. A. Edgeworth

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 27 day of March, A. D. 1925

H. C. Quirk
County Judge Anderson County, Texas.

[Seal.]

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(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 are 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 applicant's husband in the Confederate Army: (State fully your source of knowledge).....

See file no 17008

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

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this..... day of....., A. D. 192.....

[Seal.] County Judge..... County, Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR

I, *R. R. Sadler* State and County Assessor in the County of *Anderson* State of Texas, do certify that Mrs. *Laronia Thomas* 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 *27* day of *March*, A. D. 19 *25*
R. R. Sadler
State and County Assessor.
by Irene Manley



Hassell & Foster Funeral Home

PHONE 71

PALESTINE, TEXAS

February 2, 1943

Mrs. R. O. Lawrence
201 E. Lacy Street
Palestine, Texas

1-22-43 Funeral Expense for Mrs. Lavonia Thomas

Itemized account

Casket	\$280.00	
Open and close grave	5.00	
Hearse	10.00	
Cemetery equipment	<u>5.00</u>	
Total Complete Funeral Expense		\$300.00

1-26-43 Credit
Mrs. R. O. Lawrence 200.00

Leaving a balance of \$100.00

I certify that the above account is just and fair.

HASSELL & FOSTER FUNERAL HOME

By: *L. E. Foster*
L. E. Foster

Sworn to before me this 2 day of February 1943.



Lettie Biggs **LETTIE BIGGS**

Notary Public in and for Anderson Co.

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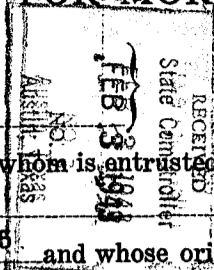
Please have application for Mortuary Warrant properly executed and have the Undertaker attach to it a sworn itemized statement showing the cost of each item furnished for the burial. Return to Geo. H. Sheppard, Comptroller Austin, Texas.

APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Anderson I, Mrs. R. O. Lawrence

do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late Mrs. Lavonia Thomas, who was a pensioner of the State of Texas, and whose file number was 40655 and whose original county was Anderson



The said pensioner Mrs. Lavonia Thomas, died on the 22 day of January, 19 43, in the town of Palestine County of Anderson, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of Mrs. R. O. Lawrence who was related to the pensioner as daughter

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 Mrs. Lavonia Thomas

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

I am related to the pensioner as daughter that my postoffice address is 201 E. Lacy Street

Palestine Texas City State

Signed Mrs. R. O. Lawrence Feb 19 43

Sworn to before me this 2 day of Feb 19 43

L. E. Foster (L. E. FOSTER)

Notary Public in and for Anderson Co., State of Texas.

Must return before 40 days expires from date of Pensioners' death

CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, G. G. Hassell, 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 Mrs. Lavonia Thomas, who died in the town of Palestine, County of Anderson, State of Texas on the 22 day of January 19 43 That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 22 day of January 19 43, and that I am of the opinion that warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said Mrs. R. O. Lawrence who makes the foregoing application.

Signed G. G. Hassell Undertaker.

CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, _____, do certify that I am a practicing physician, and that I attended _____ in his last illness, and am of the opinion that his ailments were _____

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 _____

Physician's Address _____

Jan 19 43 Warrant # 43464 Cancelled January 26, 1943.

Execute and return at once.

