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Dead
Widow's Application
for a Pension

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

Name of Applicant

Mrs Sallie Gambrell

Anderson County.

*Corner Church +
Murchison Streets*
Postoffice *Palrestine, Texas*

Filed *June - 1914*

Approved *June 9th*

Pension allowed from *Sept. 1st 1914*

Rejected

Geo. W. Kiser

Commissioner of Pensions.
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FORM B

For Use of Widows of Soldiers Who Are In Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Anderson

I, Mrs. Sallie Gambrell, 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 April 7, A. D. 1913, on the following grounds:

I am the widow of Huffey W. Gambrell, deceased, who departed this life on the _____ day of _____, A. D. 1904, in the county of Galveston, 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 26 day of Feb'y, A. D. 1896, in the county of Anderson in the State of Texas.

My husband, the said Huffey W. Gambrell, 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? 64 years of age.
2. Where were you born? at Greenville, South Carolina.
3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? For past 58 years continuously.
4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? And what is your postoffice address? For past 58 years continuously; P.O. Corner Church & Muschison Sts Galvestone, Tex
5. What was your husband's full name? Huffey W. Gambrell
6. What was the date of his death? 1904-
7. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? South Carolina.
8. How long did your husband serve? If known to you, give date of enlistment and discharge. Some Two or three years - See proof attached.
9. What was the name or letter of the company, or name 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. Company K - 6th South Carolina TX
10. 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. A Private - In the Cavalry. Never detailed - a Volunteer.
11. Have you transferred to other 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 be approved and such other proceedings be had in the premisses as are required by law.

(Signature of Applicant) Mrs Sallie Gambrell

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 5 day of August A. D. 1914

E. V. Swift

[Seal.]

County Judge Anderson County, Texas.

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 T. S. Ragsdale + T. J. Ragsdale, who are personally

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

Mrs. Sallie Gambrell - applicant for a pension as the widow of Ruff W. Gambrell

deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of Ruff W. Gambrell 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 pen-

sion, and that they have no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness) T. S. Ragsdale

(Signature of Witness) T. J. Ragsdale

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 6 day of Aug - D. 1914

E. V. Swift

[Seal.]

County Judge Anderson County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Anderson

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County Judge of Anderson County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared T. S. Ragsdale + T. J. Ragsdale, 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 pension, and that they personally know that the said Mrs. Sallie Gambrell

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) T. S. Ragsdale

(Signature of Witness) T. J. Ragsdale

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 6 day of Aug - A. D. 1914

E. V. Swift

[Seal.]

County Judge Anderson County, Texas.

The State of Texas, #
 County of Anderson. #

Before me, E. V. Swift, County Judge in and for Anderson County, Texas, on this day personally appeared G. M. Elrod, known to be to be a credible citizen and trustworthy and worthy of confidence and belief, who being by me duly sworn on his oath deposes and swears, and says, that he the said G. M. Elrod is 80 years of age; that the said G. M. Elrod was a member of Company K, 6th South Carolina Cavalry, Butler's Brigade; I knew Duff Gambrell well. I believe his initials were D. W., but we all called him Duff; he was in my Company; Yes, Duff Gambrell joined my Company about the year 1863, and served for at least 18 months I known, and may have served two years; he served with my company and command until the close of the Civil War in 1865; we surrendered in N. C. under Jos. E. Johnson; Duff Gambrell made a good soldier, he never deserted, and never voluntarily abandoned his post of duty; he could be depended on, and at the close of the war received an honorable discharge.

Duff Gambrell when the war opened joined the 4th South Carolina Infantry, but later on ~~th~~ his Company and Regiment disbanded, and he came and joined my Company ~~h~~, and he joined my Company about 1863, and served in our Company for some 18 months to Two years. I came to Texas with him after the war, and knew him up to the date of his death. He is the same Duff Gambrell who married Mrs. Sallie Gambrell, and the Mrs. Sallie Gambrell now applying for a pension is the widow of my comrade. We were in the same Company and messed together and often slept together.

G. M. Elrod

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of March 1914.

E. V. Swift



County Judge, Anderson County, Texas.

The State of South Carolina, (

County of Pickens. (

: OATH OF B. C. Johnson.

Personally comes before me, a Notary Public, in and for the aforesaid State and County, Burrel C. Johnson, who upon being duly sworn, says on oath, that he ~~was~~^{is} a boinfied and respected citizen* of Pickens South Carolina, that he knew Duffey W. Gambrell, late of Texas, and that he served with the said Duffey W. Gambrell, in the Civil Ware between the States, ~~from~~ from 1861 to 1862, two years, that he knows that Duffey W. Gambrell, was woundddat the Battle of Sven Pines in the State of Virgihia, in 1862, after 1862, Gambrell severed in Company # Sixth South Carolina Cavelry.

Sworn to and subscribed before me,
this the 13th day of July A. D. 1914.

(Burrel C. Johnson)

J. M. Jackson
Notary Public of South Carolina.



July 17, 1917

Hon. J. M. Edwards,
State Treasurer,
Austin, Texas.

My dear Sir:-

Inclosed find cashier's check for \$25. 00
in payment of pension warrant # 53537, issued to pensioner
now deceased, and endorsed and collected by relatives.

Yours truly,

J. C. Jones,

Commissioner



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June 27th, 1917

Hon. W. R. Petty,
Palestine, Texas.

My dear Sir:-

In reply to your letter of 25th inst., beg to inclose Mortuary Application and affidavit blanks to be used account of death of pensioner Mrs. Sallie Gambrell, # 28617, Anderson County.

That the requirements might be fully complied with, I am inclosing copy of same, and will add that as the pensioner died prior to June 1st, 1917, it will essential that the warrant mailed her on or about that date be returned, if it has not already been returned, before the Mortuary Application can be approved.

If the warrant has been collected, then check or money order to cover same, should be attached to application, that it might be placed in State Treasury to credit of warrant cashed.

Assuring you that it is indeed a pleasure to serve you at all times, I am,

Yours truly,

J. C. Jones,

Commissioner



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W. R. PETTY,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
PALESTINE, TEXAS.

June 30, 1917.

Mr. J. C. Jones, Commr. Pensions,
Austin, Texas.

Dear sir:-

I herewith hand to you the affidavits to secure the amount due as mortuary benefit of Mrs. Sallie Gambrell.

Now I will say this that I have done the work of fixing up the affidavits for Mrs. Campbell gratis, as she is in need of the money.

Mrs. Gambrell who is the mother of Mrs. Florence E. Campbell, has been unable to walk for 12 or 15 years, I know that she has not walked any for 10 years.

The quarter for which the pension certificate was sent had practically expired that is it was within about 24 hours I will say 36 hours of the 1st of June when Mrs. Gambrell died. She died at 7.30 A. M. on the 30th day of May. 36 hours thereafter would have made it June 1st, but if this makes any difference then Mrs. Campbell will have to return the \$25.00 which her mother received the voucher for some 6 or 7 days prior to her death. If the rule and the payment is to be made only to her on the return of the voucher, you as a matter of fact are not to blame for it and it cant be helped. However I fee that as Mrs. Gambrells death was so near the beginning of the next quarter it should be paid, but you can only pay as the law permits.

Had I have had any thing to do with the purchase of a casket for Mrs. cambrell I would not have purchased on as costly as the one purchased by Mrs. Campbell but you know that under the circumstances that she never asked the price of it, but that is no excuse for yoyr paying only as the law provides.

Write me at once if it is absolutely necessary to return the \$25.00 and if so I will have her to get the money from some one and sent it so that she may get the extra \$5.00 to help her out.

Yours truly,

WRP/LM



W R Petty

June July 2nd, 1917

Hon. W. R. Petty,
Palestine, Texas.

My dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of your letter of 30th ult., with application for Mortuary Warrant account of death of pensioner Mrs. Sallie Gambrell, #28617, Anderson.

The pensioner having died prior to the end of the quarter, I am compelled to request that amount of warrant be returned, before I can approve the Mortuary Application.

I realize that it was only a matter of a few hours, until the end of the quarter, however must be guided by the law on the point which, states that if warrant has been issued, same must be returned, before Mortuary Warrant can be issued.

I assure you that I wish it were in my power to render this assistance, but I drew up the law, and tried to make it as lenient as the Legislature would permit, making it thirty dollars, after finding that this would pay for a reasonably nice casket, and would be of great assistance to the widows and children of Veterans.

Assuring you that as soon as the money is returned, the Mortuary Application will have prompt attention, I am,

Yours truly,

J. C. Jones,

Commissioner

This copy filed
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W. R. PETTY,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
PALESTINE, TEXAS.

July 14, 1917.

J. C. Jones, Commr. Pensions,
Austin, Texas.

Gentlemen:-

In re Mortuary Benefit of Mrs. Sallie Gambrell #28617, I will say that I some days ago forwarded to you Mortuary Application for the above pensioner and at the time that I forwarded to you the application and proefs Mrs. Florence E. Campbell, her daughter charged with the payment of her funeral expenses was unable to pay the amount of \$25.00 the last voucher received by the pensioner. She has no borrowed the money for a few days in order to sent it to to so that the Mortuary warrant allowing her a balance of \$5.00 might be received.

Please forward the Mortuary warrant at the earliest moment practicable so that she will be able to repay the amount of \$25.00 which she paid to you herewith.

I enclose Cashier Certificate for the amount of \$25.00, to be by you deposited in the State Treasur for the purpose of securing the Mortuary voucher.

Please attend to this at once.

Yours truly,

WRP/LM

W R Petty

Mrs. Sallie Gambrell

28617 Anderson

TX

Mrs Florence E Campbell

#502 Murchison st

Palestine, Tex

W. R. PETTY,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
PALESTINE, TEXAS.

28617

June 25, 1917.

Commissioner of Pensions,
Austin, Texas

Dear sir:-

Mrs. Sallie Gambrell, who had been placed on the pension rolls under No. 28617, died at Palestine, Texas on the 30th day of May, 1917, and was buried here. The full amount of her burial expense has not up to this time been paid and I am now requested by her relatives to ask you to forward to me the proper blank for making proof of her death so that the \$30.00 mortuary benefit may be had so that they can make or place the same as a payment of the funeral bill.

Please forward to me the proper blank or indicate what is necessary and I will have the same forwarded to you so that the mortuary benefit may be paid.

You will see that on page 97 of the acts of the 35 legislature that a law was passed allowing this. The law took effect on the 2nd day of March 1917.

Yours truly,



W. R. Petty

E. V. SWIFT

Attorney-at-Law
COUNTY JUDGE
Anderson County



Palestine, Texas, Aug. 6th. 1914.

Hon. Geo. W. Keyser,
Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I herewith enclose pension application of Mrs. Sallie Gambrell, for a confederate pension, and I recommend that the pension be granted.

Yours very truly,



E. V. Swift, County Judge.

Piedmont S. Co. Mar. 14th - 1914
 Mr. J. E. McFarlane
 Palestine Tex

Dear Sir:

Yours of
 of the 10th Mar. received
 and hasten to comply
 with request. Enclosed
 you will find my
 affidavit, and hope you
 will have no trouble
 in getting Mrs. Gambrell
 her portion. Prof Gambrell
 and myself were boys
 of the same settlement
 and always the best of
 friends. I would like to have
 a letter from her stating
 how long it has been
 since Prof died, and
 if his soul was in peace

and how many children
and whether single or
married? I am still the
two sisters living Mrs.
Fannie Payne, living
at the old Gambrell place
& Mrs. Fannie Johnson
living at Cassell S. C.
Yours respectfully

E. F. Enoch
Piedmont
S. C.

Pt. #2 Box 47

Auelson & Co

March 14th 1914

Personally appeared before me E. J. Elrod deposes and says that he of his own knowledge that Duff W. Gambell was in the line was between the states

sworn before me
This 14 day of Mar. 1914

W. J. Kelly
Not Pub. &c

E. J. Elrod



No. 180

Mrs Florence E. Campbell

\$.....

98617 Anderson

Confederate Pension Fund

Fund

OFFICE OF
COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS
STATE OF TEXAS
AUSTIN

Correct, for the sum of \$.....

Charge to Confederate Pension Fund

Commissioner of Pensions.

J. L. Jones

E. L. STEEN, AUSTIN

MORTUARY WARRANT

685-417-3M

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

Palentine

Texas, June

1917

STATE OF TEXAS

To Mrs. Florence E. Campbell Dr.

WRITE ADDRESS PLAINLY # 502 Murchison St. Palentine, Texas

Account of Death of Pensioner No. 28617, County Anderson

Pensioner's Name in full Mrs. Sallie Gambrell

ITEMIZE ACCOUNT NOT TO EXCEED THIRTY DOLLARS.

May 30, 1917, To Casket for Mrs. Sallie Gambrell

or Cash

\$15.00

80

30.00

Palentine

To above account for a balance of Thirty is just, due and unpaid.

(IX)

Dollars

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

28th day of June

1917

Florence E. Campbell

Notary Public, Anderson Texas

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APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT.

STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Anderson } I,

do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late Mrs. Sallie Gambrell, who was a pensioner of the State of Texas, and whose file number is 28617 and whose original county is Anderson

The said pensioner Mrs. Sallie Gambrell died on the 30th day of May, 1917, in the town of Palestine, County of Anderson, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of Mrs. Florence E. Campbell 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 expenses incurred by the said pensioner Mrs. Sallie Gambrell

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) and that my home is in the town of Palestine, County of Anderson, State of Texas that my post office address is Palestine, Texas

Sworn to this 29th day of June 1917

Signed Mrs. Florence E. Campbell

Before me W P Petty, a Notary Public in and for the County of Anderson, State of Texas, personally appeared Mrs. Florence E. Campbell, who being by me duly sworn did certify to, and sign the foregoing statement.

(Seal of Office)

W P Petty, Notary Public
in and for Anderson, Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER.

I, P B Ewell do certify that I am an undertaker in the town of Palestine, County of Anderson, State of Texas, that I had charge of the body of Mrs. Sallie Gambrell, who died in the town of Palestine, County of Anderson, State of Texas, on the 30th day of May, 1917. That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 30th day of May, 1917. That said body was buried in the East Hill 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 Mrs. Florence E. Campbell who makes the foregoing application.

Signed P B Ewell Undertaker.

CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN.

I, E W Link, do certify that I am a practicing physician and that I attended Mrs. Sallie Gambrell in her last illness, and am of the opinion that her ailments were arterio sclerosis
tuberculosis



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 March 2 1917.

Signed E W Link Physician.

Physician's Address Palestine Texas