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### Soldier's Application for a Pension

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it necessary.

Name of Applicant,

*R. J. Miller*

County

*Compton*  
*903 South Syracuse St*  
*Galveston Texas*

Postoffice

MAR 7 - 1916

Filed

Approved

*Mar. 8 - 1916*

Pension allowed from

*Mar 1 - 1916*

Rejected

Commissioner of Pensions

*R. E. Jones*

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For Use of Soldiers Who are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Anderson

I, P. J. Mills do hereby make application to the Commissioner of Pensions for a pension to be granted me under the Act passed by the 33rd Legislature of the State of Texas, and approved April 7, 1913, 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; or (that I was in the service of the State of Texas during the war, to protect said State against the Indians and Mexicans for more than 6 months.) That I was honorably discharged or surrendered

Was paroled in 1865 at Greerboro, N.C. at close of war.

(Give date and cause.)

that I have been a bona fide citizen of this State 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 hold any National, State, city or county office which pays me a salary or fees of \$300.00 per annum, nor have I an income from any other employment or other source whatever which amounts to \$300.00 per annum, nor do I 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 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, exclusive of a home of the value of not more than \$1000.00; 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? 19 yrs of age
2. Where were you born? Shelby County, Tenn
3. How long have you resided in Texas? Past since 1874 continuously
4. In what county do you reside? Anderson County, Texas
5. How long have you resided in said county, and what is your postoffice address? Past 34 years. P.O. Palestine, Texas - 907 S. Sycamore
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? what is your physical condition? None Poor
8. In what State was the command in which you served organized? Arkansas
9. How long did you serve? Give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge. Enlisted 1861- and served 4 yrs, and until end of war
10. What was the letter of your company, number of battalion, regiment or battery? Company H, 15th Arkansas Infantry, previously known as Company G, 1 (Clayton's) Arkansas Infantry
11. If transferred from one command to another, give time of transfer, name of command and time of service. No
12. What branch of the service did you enlist in—infantry, cavalry, artillery or navy? Infantry



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

*NO - A Private - Later a 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?

*NO*

15. What is the assessed value of your home, if you own a home?

*None*

16. What is the assessed value of your other property?

*None*

17. 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 a pension be approved and such other proceedings be had in the premises as are required by law.

(Signature of Applicant.)

*E. V. Swift*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this

*10*

day of

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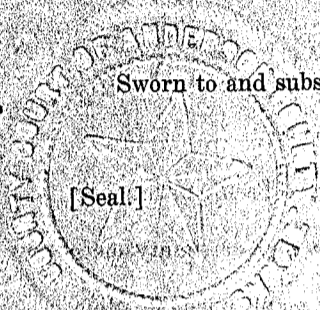
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*E. V. Swift*

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

*Mr H. J. Morrow & G. H. Fatimer*

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

*P. J. Mills* the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said *P. J. Mills* 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 his claim.

(Signature of Witness)

*Mr W. J. Morrow*

(Signature of Witness)

*G. H. Fatimer*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this

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day of

*March*

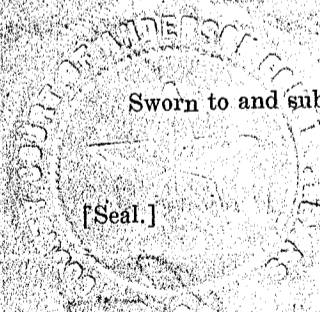
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*E. V. Swift*

County Judge

*Anderson*

County, Texas.



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 per-



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(B&K 4) FORM A

### Soldier's Application for Pension

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

Name of Applicant

*J. J. Willis*

County

*Anderson*

Postoffice

PALESTINE R#

Filed

JUL 24 1909

Approved

AUG 31 1909

Pension allowed from

*Sept 1-1909*

Rejected

Commissioner of Pensions.

FORM A

For use of Soldiers, who are in indigent circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of Anderson }

I, P. J. Miller, 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 at Bushhill N. Car. at close

of war

(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 in 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:

(TX)

1. What is your age? 73
2. Where were you born? Near Hartsville, Tenn.
3. How long have you resided in Texas? Since 1874
4. In what county do you reside? Anderson
5. How long have you resided in said county and what is your postoffice address? Since 1881  
P.O. Palestine, Texas, P. O. D. 4
6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law and been rejected? If rejected, state when and where. Never applied
7. What is your occupation, if able to engage in one? Carpenter
8. In what State was the command in which you served organized? Arkansas
9. How long did you serve? Give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge. From Aug. 1861 to April 1865
10. What was the letter of your company, number or name of battalion, regiment or battery? Company "76" 15th Ark. Regiment
11. If transferred from one command to another, give time of transfer, name of command and time of service. Never transferred
12. What branch of the service did you enlist in—infantry, cavalry, artillery or navy? Infantry

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

*Now commissioned*

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

*No.*

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) *P. A. Mills*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *15<sup>th</sup>* day of *July*, A. D. 19*09*

[SEAL.]

*O. B. Funderburk*

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 *O. B. Funderburk*, County Judge of *Anderson* County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *Mrs. Grannie Morrow & Mrs. H. E. Cain*, who are personally

known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know *P. A. Mills*

*Mills* the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said *P. A. Mills*

*Mills* 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) *H. E. Cain*

(Signature of Witness) *Mrs. Grannie Morrow*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *15<sup>th</sup>* day of *July*, A. D. 19*09*

[SEAL.]

*O. B. Funderburk*

County Judge *Anderson* County, Texas.

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



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FORM A

Soldier's Application for Pension

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

Name of Applicant.

D. J. Miller,  
Hudson County.

Postoffice.

Palmer Ave.

Filed

July 29<sup>th</sup> 1911

Approved

Pension allowed from

Rejected

Commissioner of Pensions.

VON SOECKMANN-JONES CO., PRINTERS, AUSTIN

Over receipt. 10/16/11

FORM A

For Use of Soldiers, Who are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS }  
 County of Anderson }

I, P. J. Mills, 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~~ surrendered At Bush Hill North Carolina, on the 27th. day of April 1865.

(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 in 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? 74 years
2. Where were you born? In Sumner County, Tennessee
3. How long have you resided in Texas? Since 1874
4. In what county do you reside? Anderson County
5. How long have you resided in said county and what is your postoffice address? Since 1881.  
P. O. Palestine, Texas, Route 6.

6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law and been rejected? If rejected, state when and where. Yes. Papers were sent to Austin about 2 years ago and never heard from except to receive a receipt from the commissioner.

7. What is your occupation, if able to engage in one? Carpenter

8. In what State was the command in which you served organized? Arkansas

9. How long did you serve? Give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge. Aug. '61 to Apr. 1865

10. What was the letter of your company, number or name of battalion, regiment or battery?  
Company "H", 15th. Arkansas Regiment

11. If transferred from one command to another, give time of transfer, name of command and time of service.  
Not transferred

12. What branch of the service did you enlist in—infantry, cavalry, artillery or navy?  
Infantry

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

Not commissioned

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

Not detailed

15. Have you transferred to others any property of any kind for the purpose of becoming a beneficiary under this law?.....

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) *P. J. Mills*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *5th* day of *July*, A. D. 19*11*

*O. C. Funderburk*  
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 *O. C. Funderburk*, County Judge of *Anderson* County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *Mrs R. R. Morrow & Mrs E. B. Gress*, who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know *P. J. Mills*

*Mills* the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said *P. J. Mills* 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) *Mrs R. R. Morrow*

(Signature of Witness) *Mrs E. B. Gress*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *28th* day of *July*, A. D. 19*11*

*O. C. Funderburk*  
County Judge *Anderson* County, Texas.

[SEAL.]

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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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





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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.

DEPOSITION IN PENSION CLAIMS, with Caption and Certificates.

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EX PARTE

IN RE APPLICANT FOR CONFEDERATE PENSION

Under Act March 26, 1909, pending.....

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

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

Answers and depositions of (1)

*J. S. Thomas, Age 65*  
 Residence. *Clarendon, Arkansas. Post Office*  
*Clarendon, Arkansas*

to the accompanying interrogations (2)

propounded to *him* in the above entitled cause taken before (3)

*J. S. Thomas, Jr.*

in accordance with the accompanying (7)

To the first interrogatory the said

*J. S. Thomas*

Witness, answers

*J. S. Thomas, 65 years, Clarendon, Arkansas. Clarendon,*

Ans. to Interrogatory (2) I personally know P. J. Mills & have known him since 1854. Ans. to Int (3) 1854. Weekly County Tenn. moved to Craig's County, Ark. in 1859.

Ans. to Int. (4) I personally know that P. J. Mills enlisted in the service of the confederacy & performed the duties of a soldier.

Ans. to Int. (5) Yes. Company H. 15<sup>th</sup> Arkansas Regiment. April 1861. Des Perre, Arkansas, until the close of the war 1865.

Ans. to Int. (6) Don't know that he held any position except sergeant.

Ans. to Int. (7) He was not detailed for any kind of special service while I was in the company with him.

Ans. to Cross Interrogation I served in the company with him for some time & enlisted at the same time he did. And we returned home about the same time in June or July 1865 & lived in the same village for some years & after I commenced the practice of law he visited my house after until he moved to Texas. I know of no other P. J. Mills who served in the same company or regiment.

Ans. to Cross Int. (2) Am positively certain that the said P. J. Mills applicant for pension

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is the identical person testified to by  
ans. to cross. Int. (3) I know that said P. J. Mills  
served honorably from the date of his enlistment  
to the close of the war.  
Ans. to cross. Int. (4) I know positively that the  
said P. J. Mills did not desert his command  
or voluntarily abandon his post of duty.

EX PARTE

*P. J. Mills*  
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 *J. S. Thomas*  
and *N. E. Brown* who reside in the County of *Monroe* in the State of *Ark.*  
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 to his claim for a pension under  
the Act of March 26, 1909, the application 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 wit-  
ness residing in the County of *Anderson* and State of Texas, of which he is a bona fide resident.

*P. J. Mills*  
(Applicant) Attorney for Applicant.

Direct Interrogatories to be Propounded to the Witness.....

*J. S. Thomas & N. E. Brown*

- 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 *P. J. Mills* who is an applicant for pension under Act of March 26, 1909?
- INT. 3. How long have you known the said *P. J. Mills* applicant for pension and when and where did you first know him?
- INT. 4. Do you personally know that the said *P. J. Mills* applicant for pension 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 *P. J. Mills* applicant, enlisted and served in the Confederate army? When? Where? And the time of service? If you personally knew and so have stated that he enlisted and served in in the Confederate navy, then state: When? Where? And how long he so served?
- INT. 6. Do you personally know that *P. J. Mills* applicant for pension, 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 said applicant 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 *J. S. Thomas & N. E. Brown*

CROSS INTERROGATORY 1: If, in answer to the foregoing direct interrogatories, you have stated that you personally know or did know said applicant, 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 applicant 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 *P. J. Mills* serving in the same company or regiment or special service in which you say the said applicant *P. J. Mills* enlisted, or if you have stated that said applicant 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 P. J. Mills applicant serving in the same command, or the special service to which he was assigned?

If you say that you so knew other soldiers or sailors of the same name of applicant's, 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 P. J. Mills applicant for pension, is the identical person serving as testified by you?

Cross INT. 3. Do you know whether or not the said P. J. Mills applicant for pension 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 P. J. Mills deserted his command or voluntarily abandoned his post of duty, or the service during said war?

**THE STATE OF TEXAS,**

County of Anderson

I, O. C. Funderburk, County Judge of said County, in said State,

do hereby waive copy of interrogatories, notice 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.

O. C. Funderburk

County Judge Anderson County, Texas.

P. J. Mills

(Applicant) Attorney.....for Applicant.

**Application for Confederate Pension.**

**FOR USE OF SOLDIERS**

County, Texas,

Pending before the County Judge of said County.

**EX PARTE**

Applicant.

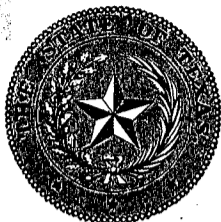
**INTERROGATORIES**

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Witnesses.

VON BOECKMANN-JONES CO., PRINTERS, AUSTIN

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OFFICE OF  
Commissioner of Pensions

State of Texas  
Austin AUG 9 1909

E. A. BOLMES, Commissioner

To the Adjutant General,  
War Department,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to request the military record  
of *P. J. Mills* who is reported to have enlisted in  
Company *H*, *15<sup>th</sup>* Regiment, *Arkansas Infantry*  
in the service of the Confederate States Army.

Purpose: The ~~widow of 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,



*E. A. Bolmes*  
Commissioner of Pensions.

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ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
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AUG 13 1909  
WAR DEPARTMENT

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

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WAR DEPARTMENT,

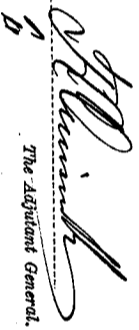
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, August 14, 1909.

*Respectfully returned to the*

Commissioner of Pensions,  
State of Texas,  
Austin.

The records show that P. J. Mills,  
private, Company H, 15th Arkansas  
Infantry, Confederate States Army,  
was enlisted July 23, 1861, and  
that he was paroled at Greensboro,  
North Carolina (date not stated),  
in accordance with the terms of the  
military convention of April 26,  
1865.

  
The Adjutant General.

[A.G.O. 72-1]

~~L. S. S.~~  
W. E. Brown dep. W. E. Brown

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 19 day of July, 1909  
Notary Public for New Mexico  
My Com. Ex. 128-1912  
W. B. Jackson  
Water, Oklahoma

THE STATE OF Ark  
County of Prairie } I, W. B. Jackson N.P.  
(Here give name and official character of officer before whom taken.)

do hereby certify that W. E. Brown  
and is are personally known to me to be credible citizens of said  
County and State, and that the foregoing answers of W. E. Brown

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) W. E. Brown

Given under my hand and official seal, this the 20th day of July, 1909  
(L. S.)  
My Com. Ex. 128-1912 + W. B. Jackson N.P.

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, any Notary Public, or any Commissioner of Deeds of Texas.

File No. \_\_\_\_\_  
In \_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas.  
Before the Honorable County Judge of said County.  
EX PARTE  
Applicant for Confederate Pension  
DEPOSITION  
OF  
Witness for Applicant  
Filed \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_ 190\_\_\_\_  
Clerk.  
By \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy.  
Fee for Taking Deposition, \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
VON BOECKMANN-JONES COMPANY, PRINTERS, AUSTIN, TEXAS

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EX PARTE

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

Answers and depositions of (1)

*W. E. Brown, Des Arc, Arkansas.*

to the accompanying interrogations (2).....

propounded to *him* in the above entitled cause taken before (3).....

in accordance with the accompanying (7).....

To the first interrogatory the said

*W. E. Brown*

Witness, answers

*W. E. Brown, 67 years Des Arc, Ark.*

Ans to Int. (2) I personally know P. J. Mills have known him since 1860.

Ans. to Int. (3) 1860 Prairie County, Arkansas

Ans to Int. (4) I personally know that P. J. Mills enlisted in the service of the confederacy & performed the duties of a soldier.

Ans to Int. (5) Yes! Company H. 15<sup>th</sup> Arkansas regiment April 1861 Des Arc, Arkansas. Served until the close of the war in 1865

Ans to Int. (6) Don't know that he held any position except Sargent think he resigned that.

Ans. to Int. (7) He was not detailed for any kind of special service

Ans to Cross Int. (1) I served in the same company with <sup>him</sup> from the commencement to the end of the war. We returned home to Prairie County the last of June 1865 lived in the same vicinity with him for several years know him well until he removed to Texas. There was no other P. J. Mills who served in the same company or regiment.

(TX)

Ans to Cross Int. (2) Am positively certain that the said P. J. Mills applicant for pension is the identical person testified to by me

Ans to Cross Int. (3) I know that the said P. J. Mills served honorably from the date of his enlistment to the close of the war.

Ans to Cross Int. (4) I know positively that

He said P. J. Miller did not desert his  
command or voluntarily abandon his  
post of duty.



1888-1019-18M

# AFFIDAVIT

*July 15 - 1913*

Return this affidavit to L. W. Tittle, Comptroller, Austin, Texas, on or before ~~April 15, 1920~~

STATE OF TEXAS,

ORIGINAL COUNTY Anderson  
APPLICATION NO. 14-542

County of \_\_\_\_\_

This is to certify that I am the identical person to whom a pension has been granted under Articles 6267-6285, R. S. 1911, an Act approved April 7, 1913. I also certify that the county in which my application was originally made and the file number of said application, according to the records in the office of the Comptroller of Public Accounts, are the same as given in the upper right-hand corner of this affidavit.

I further certify that the same conditions exist as did at the time my application for pension was made; that I do not own real or personal property to the value of One Thousand Dollars, exclusive of my homestead, the value of which does not exceed One Thousand Dollars; that my annual income, not including my pension, does not exceed Three Hundred Dollars; that I am a bona fide resident of the State of Texas, and that I am not an inmate of the Confederate Home.

I hereby certify that I am personally acquainted with the pensioner whose signature appears above and that the statements made by \_\_\_\_\_ are true and correct.

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, well known to me, who state under oath that the statements herein contained are true and correct.  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, A. D. 19\_\_\_\_.

PENSIONER'S NAME AND ADDRESS  
P. J. Tittle  
Anderson in and for \_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas.

\*This is to certify that the undersigned, \_\_\_\_\_, are disinterested, credible witnesses and are in no wise related to the applicant whose signature is affixed to the above statement; that the applicant resides in \_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas, P. O. \_\_\_\_\_, and that the conditions which existed at the time of making said application and on which the pension was originally granted still exist; that the applicant signed the above statement in my presence.

Witness my hand this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, A. D. 19\_\_\_\_.

Witnesses {

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, known to me to be one of the witnesses who signed the foregoing certificate, and on oath states that the statement of the pensioner above set out was made and signed in \_\_\_\_\_ presence, and that the statements contained therein are within the knowledge of affiant true and correct.

Sworn to and subscribed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, A. D. 19\_\_\_\_.

(SEAL) \_\_\_\_\_ in and for \_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas.

\*To be filled out and executed in case applicant cannot go before an officer to make affidavit.  
PENSIONER'S NAME AND ADDRESS:  
Approved for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Comptroller of Public Accounts.

14542



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# AFFIDAVIT

*ced. 12-1910*

Return this affidavit to L. W. Tittle, Comptroller, Austin, Texas, on or before ~~April 15, 1910~~.

STATE OF TEXAS,

ORIGINAL COUNTY Anderson

County of \_\_\_\_\_

APPLICATION NO. 14542

This is to certify that I am the identical person to whom a pension has been granted under Articles 6267-6285, R. S. 1911, an Act approved April 7, 1913.

I also certify that the county in which my application was originally made and the file number of said application, according to the records in the office of the Comptroller of Public Accounts, are the same as given in the upper right-hand corner of this affidavit.

I further certify that the same conditions exist as did at the time my application for pension was made; that I do not own real or personal property to the value of One Thousand Dollars, exclusive of my homestead, the value of which does not exceed One Thousand Dollars; that my annual income, not including my pension, does not exceed Three Hundred Dollars; that I am a bona fide resident of the State of Texas, and that I am not an inmate of the Confederate Home.

I hereby certify that I am personally acquainted with the pensioner whose signature appears above and that the statements made by \_\_\_\_\_ are true and correct.

Signature of Pensioner.

Witness.

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared the above-named parties, well known to me, who state under oath that the statements herein contained are true and correct.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this January 20 day of \_\_\_\_\_ A. D. 1910

PENSIONER'S NAME AND ADDRESS

(SEAL)

P. J. Randle  
Palatka  
in and for Palatka County, Texas.

\*This is to certify that the undersigned, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

are disinterested, credible witnesses and are in no wise related to the applicant whose signature is affixed to the above statement; that the applicant resides in \_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas, P. O. \_\_\_\_\_ that the applicant is the identical person to whom a pension has been granted, and that the conditions which existed at the time of making said application and on which the pension was originally granted still exist; that the applicant signed the above statement in my presence.

Witness my hand this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ A. D. 19 \_\_\_\_\_

Witnesses {

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_ known to me to be one of the witnesses who signed the foregoing certificate, and on oath states that the statement of the pensioner above set out was made and signed in \_\_\_\_\_ presence, and that the statements contained therein are within the knowledge of affiant true and correct.

Sworn to and subscribed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ A. D. 19 \_\_\_\_\_

(SEAL)



Affiant.

\_\_\_\_\_ in and for \_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas.

\*To be filled out and executed in case applicant cannot go before an officer to make affidavit.

PENSIONER'S NAME AND ADDRESS:

Approved for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Comptroller of Public Accounts.

14542

SIXTY-THIRD CONGRESS.

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House of Representatives U. S.

Committee on War Claims,

Washington, D. C.

Palestine, Texas,

September 17, 1915.

The Adjutant General, U. S. Army,

Washington, D. C.

Dear sir:-

P. J. Mills of this place enlisted in the Confederate Army in 1861, in the first Arkansas Regiment, Colonel E. R. Cleborn.

Upon reorganization the first Arkansas was changed to the 15th Arkansas. Afterwards Govans Brigade was consolidated into one regiment known as the first Arkansas.

Mr. Mill's parole papers show that he was a member of Company H first Arkansas, at the time of his surrender.

Please send me a statement of what your records show as to his service.

Yours truly,

*A. W. Gregg*

G/D.



*File out. 1554/277*

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
WAR DEPARTMENT

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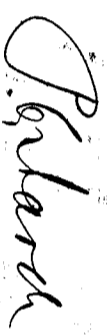
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,  
2325352 WASHINGTON, Sept. 20, 1915.

Respectfully returned to

Hon. A. W. Gregg,  
Representative in Congress,  
Palestine, Texas.

The Confederate records show that P. J. Mills (name also borne as Pinckney Mills), private, Company H, 15th Arkansas Infantry, formerly designated Company G, 1st (Clayborn's) Arkansas Infantry, Confederate States Army, enlisted July 23, 1861, at Pittman's Ferry, Arkansas, to serve three years or during the war. On the company muster roll for July and August, 1864, the last roll of the company on file, he was reported, as 3d sergeant, present.

The Union prisoner-of-war records show that this soldier was paroled in 1865, at Greensboro, North Carolina, in accordance with the terms of the military convention entered into April 26, 1865, between Johnston and Sherman. The exact date of his parole is not of record.



Adjutant General,  
In charge of office.

*Handwritten initials or scribbles at the bottom of the page.*

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**E. V. SWIFT**

Attorney at Law

**COUNTY JUDGE**

Anderson County

Palentine, Texas, March 6th. 1916.

Hon. J.C. Jones,  
Pension Commr.,  
Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I herewith enclose to you pension application of Mr. P. J. Mills.

You will note that I have attached to his application his record from the war department at Washington. In addition to this Mr. Mills showed me in person his PAROL. It was an old soiled, and stained document, but yet could be read. He was very proud of it and did not want to give it up unless necessary. The parol is dated May 2nd. 1865, and signed by E. A. Howell, Colonel, with Sherman's Federal Army. I told him I would write you about this, and if you required it we would send the document to you, but he is afraid it will get lost, and does not want to let it go unless you require it. So if you need it, write me.

I could not locate any living witnesses for Mr. Mills, but I am more than satisfied that he is entitled to a pension. He is an old citizen here and belongs to the Confederate Camp, and is certainly worthy, and is in need, and I hope you can give his application immediate attention.

Yours very truly,

*E. V. Swift*  
County Judge.



November 1, 1957

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Mrs. Mabel Huckaby  
 Confederate Museum  
 Old Land Office Building  
 Austin, Texas

Dear Mrs. Huckaby:            P. J. Mills, Deceased  
    Confederate Pensioner  
    File No. 32557 Anderson Co.

The records of this office show P. J. Mills, not shown as Ped Mills, filed application for Confederate Pension December 10, 1915 from Anderson County, Palestine, Texas. The application was approved under File No. 32557.

At the time of filing application he stated he was 79 years old - born in Sumner County, Tennessee. He had resided in Texas since 1874. He claimed to have enlisted in 1861 in Company H, 15 Arkansas Infantry, Confederate States Army, previously known as Co. G, 1 (Clayborn's) Arkansas Infantry.

The application for pension of P. J. Mills was approved on the following report furnished this office by the Adjutant General, War Department, Washington, D. C.

"The records show that P. J. Mills (name also borne as Pinckney Mills), private Company H, 15th Arkansas Inf., formerly designated Company G, 1st (Clayborn's) Arkansas Infantry, Confederate States Army, enlisted July 23, 1861 at Pittman's Ferry, Arkansas, to serve three years or during the war. On the company muster roll for July and August, 1864, the last roll of the company on file, he was reported, as 3rd sergeant, present. The union prisoner of war records show that this soldier was paroled in 1865, at Greensboro, North Carolina, in accordance with the terms of the military convention entered into April 26, 1865, between Johnston and Sherman. The exact date of his parole is not of record."

Date of P. J. Mills death is not shown in the application.

Yours very truly,

Robert S. Calvert  
 Comptroller of Public Accounts



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EX PARTE

IN RE APPLICANT FOR CONFEDERATE PENSION

Under Act March 26, 1909, pending

P. J. Mills

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

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

Answers and depositions of (1) My name is W. E. Brown. My age is 68 years, present place of residence is Des Arc, Arkansas, and Post office address, Des Arc, Arkansas

to the accompanying interrogations (2) Cross Interrogations propounded to him in the above entitled cause taken before (3) P. J. Hodges, Circuit Clerk in accordance with the accompanying (7)

To the first interrogatory the said W. E. Brown

Witness, answers 1<sup>st</sup> My name is W. E. Brown, my age is 68 years my present place of residence is Des Arc, Arkansas and Post office address is Des Arc, Arkansas

2<sup>nd</sup> I do personally know that P. J. Mills enlisted in the service of the Confederacy and performed the duties of a Soldier

3<sup>rd</sup> I personally know P. J. Mills during the Civil War

4<sup>th</sup> I did not know P. J. Mills until he enlisted in the company of which I was 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant in 1861

5<sup>th</sup> yrs in Company G, Claytons 1<sup>st</sup> Arkansas Regiment, He enlisted either in Des Arc, Ark or at Pittmans ferry at Current River, I have forgotten which, He served during the entire war

6<sup>th</sup> He was not a commissioned officer. He was Sergeant of my Company

7<sup>th</sup> He was a volunteer in my Company

Cross Interrogations

1<sup>st</sup> The P. J. Mills who served in the above named Company was the very person of that name who served in that company. My source of knowledge as acquired by serving with him all through the war

2<sup>nd</sup> I am positively certain that P. J. Mills is the identical person as testified by me

3<sup>rd</sup> I do know that he did

4<sup>th</sup> I know he did not desert his command, or voluntarily abandon his post of duty or the service during the war.



My name is  
 J. S. Thomas. Age 67 years built by  
 I know J. P. Mills long before he went  
 the Army my first office is Clarendon  
 Ark. I was in the Confederate Army  
 and J. P. Mills was in the same company.  
 that I enlisted in but was not in the  
 company when he fought but I saw him  
 and knew that he served in the Army  
 from at least from the beginning to the  
 end of the war. I know the statements of  
 we know are true and make them as  
 part of my statement.

J. S. Thomas after being duly  
 sworn states that the foregoing are  
 true J. S. Thomas  
 Subscribed & sworn to before me this 17  
 day of July 1911

G. W. Shumley  
 M. P.

- (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. *only one*
- (5) Here state whether "Commission, or agreement," if Commission was waived.

EX PARTE

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

P. J. Mills  
Applicant for Confederate Pension.

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 W. E. Brown and J. S. Thomas who reside in the County of Anderson in the State of Ark 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 application 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 Ark is a bona fide resident.

P. J. Mills  
Attorney for Applicant.

Direct Interrogatories to be Propounded to the Witness no.

J. S. Thomas & W. E. Brown

- 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 P. J. Mills who is is an applicant for pension under Act of March 26, 1909?
- INT. 3. How long had you known the said P. J. Mills and when and where did you first know him?
- INT. 4. Do you personally know that the said P. J. Mills 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 P. J. Mills enlisted and served in the Confederate army? When? Where? And the time of service? If you personally 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 P. J. Mills 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 P. J. Mills 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 J. S. Thomas & W. E. Brown

CROSS INTERROGATORY 1. If, in answer to the foregoing direct interrogatories, you have stated that you personally know or did know said P. J. Mills 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 P. J. Mills 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 P. J. Mills serving in the same company or regiment, or special service in which you say the said P. J. Mills enlisted, if you have stated that said P. J. Mills 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 P. J. Mills  
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 P. J. Mills  
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 P. J. Mills  
is the identical person serving as testified by you?

Cross INT. 3. Do you know whether or not the said P. J. Mills  
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 P. J. Mills  
deserted his command, or voluntarily abandoned his post of duty or the service during said war?

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Anderson

I, W. B. Brundage, 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 P. J. Mills may be attached hereto.

W. B. Brundage  
County Judge Anderson County, Texas.

P. J. Mills  
(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.



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ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
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WAR DEPARTMENT

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

WAR DEPARTMENT, 1861896

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,  
WASHINGTON, December 26, 1911.

*Respectfully returned to the*

Commissioner of Pensions,  
State of Texas,  
Austin,

Inviting attention to the communication addressed by this office to the Commissioner of Pensions of Texas on August 14, 1909, in response to a similar request in the case of F. J. Mills, Company H, 15th Arkansas Infantry, Confederate States Army, which organization was formerly designated Company G, 1st Arkansas Infantry (Colonel Cleburne), Confederate States Army.



The Adjutant General.  
Per  
(A. G. O. 72-1)

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War Department, Washington, D. C."

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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, August 2, 1911.

*Respectfully returned to the*

Commissioner of Pensions,  
State of Texas,  
Austin,

inviting attention to the communication addressed by this office to the Commissioner of Pensions, State of Texas, on August 14, 1909, in response to a similar request in this case.

*P. J. Mills*

*P. J. Mills*

The Adjutant General,

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