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FORM No. 2.

CONFEDERATE PENSION APPLICATION.

Name of Applicant,

Mrs Susannah Walker

Anderson County.

Post Office: *Padeston*

Comptroller's File No. *4929*

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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 *2* day of *December*

A. D. *1899*

W. J. Smith
Pension Clerk

I hereby *approve* the within application for pension, this _____ day of _____

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W. H. Hines
Comptroller

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

MAVERICK-CLARKE LITHO CO., SAN ANTONIO

APPLICATION of Indigent widow of Soldier or Sailor of the late Confederacy for pension under the Act of May 12, 1899.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, }

COUNTY OF Anderson

To the Honorable County Judge of Anderson County, Texas.

Your petitioner, Mrs. Susanah Wilkins respectfully represents that she is a resident citizen of Anderson County, in the State of Texas; that she is the widow of R. W. Wilkins, deceased, who was a Confederate soldier (or sailor), and that she makes this application for the purpose of obtaining a pension as the widow of said R. W. Wilkins, deceased, 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 Mrs. Susanah Wilkins
- Q. What is your age? Answer 62 years
- Q. In what County do you reside? Answer Anderson County
- Q. How long have you resided in said County and what is your post office address? Answer 4 years
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- 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 House work
- Q. What is your physical condition? Answer Feeble from age, health otherwise good.
- Q. What was the name of your deceased husband? Answer R. W. Wilkins
- Q. Were you married to him anterior to March 1, 1866? If so, on what date were you married to him and where? Answer March 24th about 1855 in Mississippi
- Q. What was the date of his death? Answer May 6th A.D. 1889
- Q. Are you unmarried, and have you so remained unmarried since the death of your said husband for whose services you claim a pension? Answer yes
- Q. State in what company and regiment your deceased husband for whose services you claim a pension enlisted in the Confederate Army, and the time of his service therein? Answer Company "D" "41"
Miss Infantry over 3 years
- Q. If your deceased husband served in the Confederate Navy, state when and where, and the time of such service? Answer No
- 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 so received. Answer None

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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 None

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 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 I am

Q. Are you unable by your labor to earn a support? Answer I am

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 your deceased husband for whose services you claim a pension, ever desert the Confederacy? Answer No

Q. Have you been continuously since the first day of ^{March} ~~January~~, 1880, a bona fide resident citizen of this State?

Answer Yes

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

(Signature of Applicant)

Susanah Wilkins

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 31st day of August A. D. 1899

(SEAL)

G. W. Henderson
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,

G. W. Henderson

County Judge of Anderson County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared

J. J. Walker

J. J. Walker

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. Susanah Wilkins, applicant for a pension as the widow of

R. W. Wilkins

, deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of the said

R. W. Wilkins

, deceased; that they personally know that the said

~~deceased, enlisted in the service of the Confederacy, and performed the duties of a soldier (or sailor) as claimed by his said widow in the above and foregoing application, and that they further~~

know that the said Mrs. Susanah Wilkins, widow of the said

R. W. Wilkins

, deceased, is unable to support herself by labor of any sort.

(Signature of Witness)

J. J. Walker

(Signature of Witness)

(Signature of Witness)

(Signature of Witness)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5 day of Sept A. D. 1899

(SEAL)

G. W. Henderson
County Judge Anderson County, Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY JUDGE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Anderson } I, G. M. Hodson

County Judge of Anderson County, State of Texas, do hereby certify that on the 31st

day of October A. D. 1899, before me came on to be heard the application of

Mrs. Susanah Wilkins widow of R. W. Wilkins

deceased, 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. I also certify that the said applicant Susanah Wilkins

is not disqualified under any of the provisions of Section 12, of the Confederate Pension Law. I further certify that after considering all

of the proceedings had before me relative to the said application for a pension by the said Mrs. Susanah Wilkins

as widow of R. W. Wilkins

deceased, I find the said applicant is lawfully entitled to the pension provided for by the Confederate Pension Law of this State, and I

hereby approve said application.

Witness my hand and seal of office at Palestine this 31st

day of October A. D. 1899

G. M. Hodson

County Judge Anderson County, State of Texas.

(SEAL)

CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Anderson } We, the undersigned members of the Commissioners Court of

Anderson County, Texas, hereby certify that the foregoing application of Mrs. Susanah

Wilkins widow of R. W. Wilkins deceased, for a pension,

together with the proof in support thereof, was duly submitted by Hon. G. M. Hodson

County Judge of this Anderson County, to the Commissioners Court of this Anderson

County, at a regular term thereof on the 14th day of Nov A. D. 1899, 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 Palestine Tex this 14th

day of Nov A. D. 1899

(Signatures of Commissioners.)

Wm. Boyles (TX)
R. C. Barber
Geo. C. Simmons
J. E. Fitzgibbon

(SEAL)

State of Texas }
 County of Mason } Answers to the within Interrogatories
 by J. M. Sudbury and A. W. Bell

Int. 1st Names A. W. Bell and J. M. Sudbury
 ages 60 years Each, Residence, Fredonia
 Mason County Texas

Int. 2nd were acquainted with R. W. Wilkins since
 1848 in ~~the~~ Noxubee County Miss. known him
 up to present date 51 years

3rd Int, he is Dead by information from persons
 who were present at his death

Int 4th by being in service with him and that he
 performed the Duties of a soldier in Co. D,
 41 Miss Regt served during the entire war
 in Tennessee army was honorable Discharged
 by seeing his parole

Int 5th we are acquainted with the wife of R. W. Wilkins
 since Childhood seen her at this place in or
 about 1835, in Palestine Anderson County
 Texas, her name is Susannah Wilkins
 weight about 200 lbs Dark hair, now white
 and Blue Eyes formerly Resided in Ellis
 County Texas

Cross Int-1st I Did A. W. Bell serve with him in
 the same Command

Int 2nd we were not, he was paroled at Milledgeville
 Georgia
 A. W. Bell
 J. M. Sudbury

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State of Texas }
 County of Mason }

Before me R. G. Morgan a
 Notary Public in and for Mason
 County Texas personally came A. W. Bell
 and James M. Sudbury who being by me duly sworn
 under oath gave answer to the foregoing Interrogatories
 as propounded, as propounded by me in my presents
 Given under my Hand and Seal
 of Office this the 4th Day of
 September A. D. 1879.

R. G. Morgan

Notary, Public, M. Co, Texas

Ex parte Mrs. Susanah Wilkins } Pending before the
 Widow of Confederate Soldier } Hon. J. W. Anderson Comy.
 Application for Pension under } Judge of Anderson Comy. Texas
 Act May 12th 1899 }

Sir you will take notice that five days after service hereof I shall apply for a Commission to take a deposition of A. W. Bell and James Sandburg who reside at Fredericks in Mason Comy Texas in answer to the following interrogatories to be used upon hearing of the application of said Mrs. Susanah Wilkins for a pension under the act of May 12th A.D. 1899

To Hon. J. W. Anderson }
 The Judge Anderson Co. Tex. } Interrogatories to be propounded to
 A. W. Bell and James Sandburg Witnesses for Applicant

Qnt. 1st What are your names, ages, and where do you reside?

Qnt. 2^d Were you each acquainted with R. W. Wilkins and if yes when, where and how long did you know him

Qnt. 3^d If in answer to the foregoing interrogatory you have said that you were personally acquainted with the said R. W. Wilkins then please state if you know whether he is now living or dead and give your means of information

Qnt. 4th If in answer to the foregoing interrogatory you have said that you were personally acquainted with the said R. W. Wilkins then please state if within your personal knowledge the said R. W. Wilkins ever enlisted in the service of the Confederate States and performed the duties of a soldier in such service, and if so in what Company and Regiment when, where, and how long did he serve and was he honorably discharged and state fully your means of information

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Int. 5. Are you each acquainted with the wife of the
 said R. M. Wilkins of year How long have you known
 her when and where did you see her last where
 does she now reside, what is her given name, what
 is her size color hair & eyes, &c. and where did she
 reside prior to her present place of abode

Mrs. S. Wilkins

Applicant

Large interrogatories propounded by the County
 Judge of Anderson County Texas

+ Int. 1st Did you or either of you serve in the
 same command with the said R. M. Wilkins
 + Int. 2nd Were you or either of you present when
 said R. M. Wilkins was discharged from the
 Confederate State Army, if so when and where was
 he discharged

J. W. Heardson

The Judge

We hereby receive the five days notes a copy of these
 interrogatories and the issuance of a Commission and
 agree that the depositions of the within named parties
 may be taken by any officer of Mason County Texas
 authorized under the law to take same and returned
 to the County Judge of Anderson Co. Tex

Mrs. S. Wilkins

Applicant

J. W. Heardson

The Judge

The State of Texas }
 County of Anderson } Before me J. M. Hodson County
 Judge of Anderson County Texas
 on this day personally appeared F. W. Pell known
 to me to be a creditable citizen who being by me
 duly sworn on oath states that he is personally
 acquainted with Susannah Wilkins applicant
 for a pension, ^{and knows that said applicant} is unable to support herself by
 labor of any sort

Frank W. Pell.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 27
 day of Sept A.D. 1899.

J. M. Hodson
 Co. Judge

