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FORM B

Widow's Application for Pension

9-14-38 Dead

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

Name of Applicant.

Eliza A. Watts

Anderson County.

Postoffice

Palentine Ry

Filed

AUG 31 1909

Approved

Pension allowed from

Rejected

Commissioner of Pensions.

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East Texas Genealogical Society
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For use of Widows of Soldiers who are in indigent circumstances.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Anderson

I, Mrs Eliza^a Watts, 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 am the widow of Chas. H. Watts, deceased, who departed this life on the 6th day of Nov., A. D. 1899, in the county of Anderson, 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 15th day of June, A. D. 1874, in the county of Cherokee, in the State of Texas

My husband, the said Chas. H. Watts, 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 March 1, A. D. 1880, 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 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, 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 I do further state that the answers given to the following questions are true:

1. What is your age? 55 years (TX)
2. Where were you born? Pekala Co, Texas
3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? All my life 55 years
4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? And what is your postoffice address? 15 years - Palestine Rout 7
5. What was your husband's full name? Charles Hampton Watts
6. When and where were you married? Cherokee County, Tex 1874
7. What was the date of his death? Nov 6, 1899
8. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? Texas
9. How long did your husband serve? If known to you, give date of enlistment and discharge. Do not know about 18 months
10. 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 of service. Company "A" 2nd Texas Cavalry. Not transferred that I know of
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 how long did he serve? In Cavalry - Not detailed that I know of
12. Have you transferred to others any property of any kind for the purpose of becoming a beneficiary under this law? I have not

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

(Signature of Applicant) E. A. Watts

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 28th day of July, A. D. 1909

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

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared J. H. Ozment & R. M. Johnson, 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.

Elyza Watts, applicant for a pension as the widow of Chas. H. Watts deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of Chas. H. Watts 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 pension, and that they have no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness) J. H. Ozment

(Signature of Witness) R. M. Johnson

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th day of August, A. D. 1909

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

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared J. H. Ozment, who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know the above-

named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said Elyza Watts

has been a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas since prior to March 1, A. D. 1880, and that they have no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness) J. H. Ozment

(Signature of Witness) R. M. Johnson

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th day of August, A. D. 1909

O. B. Funderburk

County Judge Anderson County, Texas.

[SEAL.]

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

(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 Anderson

Before me O. C. Funderburk, County Judge of Anderson County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared J. W. Ogmont & Geo. A. Wright, 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 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 the applicant's husband in the Confederate Army:

I personally knew in his life time Chas. H. Watts, I know he enlisted and performed the duties of a soldier in the Confederate war. He and I were members of the same company, which was Company "A" - 2nd Texas Cavalry. He served from the date of his enlistment to the close of the war and made a good soldier.

(Signature of Witness) J. W. Ogmont

(Signature of Witness) Geo. A. Wright

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th day of August, A. D. 1909



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

[SEAL.]

CERTIFICATE OF STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR

I, Ben D. Jackson, State and County Assessor in the County of Anderson, State of Texas, do hereby certify that Mrs. Eliza Watts,

whose name is signed to the foregoing application for a pension, under the Act of the Thirty-first Legislature, approved March 26, A. D. 1909, is charged on the land and personal property rolls of the said county, in her name, or the name of a trustee, with estate, real, personal and mixed, at the assessed value of 205.00 dollars.

Given under my hand, this 11th day of Aug, A. D. 1909

Ben D. Jackson
State and County Assessor.

VON BOECKMANN-JONES CO., PRINTERS, AUSTIN

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H. A. BOLMES, Commissioner

OFFICE OF
Commissioner of Pensions

State of Texas

Austin AUG 28 1909

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

(TX)

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to request the military record
of Chas. H. Watts who is reported to have enlisted in
Company A, 2nd Regiment Texas Cavalry
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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Address: "The Adjutant General,
War Department, Washington, D. C."

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WAR DEPARTMENT,

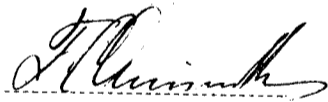
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, September 2, 1909.

Respectfully returned to the

Commissioner of Pensions,
State of Texas,
Austin.

The name Charles H. Watts has not been found on the rolls, on file in this office, of Company A, 2d Regiment Texas Cavalry, Confederate States Army, nor has any record been found of the capture or parole of a man of that name and organization.



The Adjutant General.

[A. G. O. 72-1

Palestine Tex

Nov 13, 33,

(TK)

Mr. G. H. Sheppard,

Dear Sir I have
lost 4 persain checks
June July August and
September can you
help me out in
getting them back

by so doing you
will greatly oblige
a poor lonely widow,

Mrs. Eliza A. Watts
N. 1205. Conrad St.

Palestine Tex

NOV 14 1933
RECEIVED

November 14, 1933.

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Mrs. Eliza A. Watts,
1205 N. Conrad Street,
Palestine, Texas.



Dear Mrs. Watts:

I am in receipt of your letter of November 13 in regard to cashing your Confederate Pension Warrants.

I am sorry to advise that I am unable to help you cash your warrants, and I do not know of any bank that will cash them.

It will be necessary for pensioners to hold their warrants until there is sufficient money in the fund to take care of them. There will be calls from time to time by the State Treasurer for certain warrants, and notice of such calls will be given through the press and banks over the State.

At any time you desire information as to when warrants will be paid, it is a matter you should take up with the Hon. Charley Lockhart, State Treasurer, Austin, Texas, as all warrants are paid through his office. The Comptroller is only authorized to issue the warrants.

Yours very truly,

JHT:E.

Comptroller of Public
Accounts.

Watts

COKE STEVENSON, SPEAKER

LOUISE SNOW PHINNEY, CHIEF CLERK

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE
STATE OF TEXAS
AUSTIN

November 15, 1933

COMPTROLLERS OFFICE
NOV 16 1933
RECEIVED

Hon. George Sheppard, Comptroller,
Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir:

My mother-in-law, Mrs. E. A. Watts, of Palestine, has lost or had stolen from her trunk four of her pension warrants for the months of June, July, August and September. She wrote your department a few days ago and whoever received the letter did not read it but sent her what I took to be a form letter replying to those who are writing your department asking when their warrants will be paid. You may look this letter up and see if my guess is not correct. Anyway, the warrants are lost and she, of course, is very much disturbed over the matter and wishes to know what she will have to do in the matter of having duplicate warrants issued. Of course, I will assist her in the matter and do whatever is required by your department.

I do not know what local address you may have on her records. She has been living with her daughter, Mrs. Paul Kitcher, on Conrad Street part of the time and with her son, R. Q. Watts, on West Kolstad Street here in Palestine part of the time, but she is leaving in the morning for a visit with another daughter who lives on Route 9, Box 208, San Antonio, Texas. I am giving you this information in case you care to write to her, but I would prefer that you correspond with me direct about what to do in having duplicate warrants issued.

June 9 3193
July 10 2144
Aug 11 1098
Sept - 75-30
RMJ/EG

TX

Very truly yours,

R. M. Johnson
R. M. Johnson

Bond-11-16-33

Anderson
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Watts

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November 16, 1933.

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Hon. R. M. Johnson, Attorney,
Gregg-Link Building,
Palestine, Texas.

Dear Mr. Johnson:

I am in receipt of your letter of November 15 notifying me that Mrs. E. A. Watts has misplaced pension warrants issued her for the months of June, July, August, and September, 1933.

In order that duplicate warrants may issue to Mrs. Watts it will be necessary for her to have the enclosed bond executed in double the amount of the warrants.

Please have the bond executed and return to this office, and if approved, duplicate warrants will be issued.

Yours very truly,

Comptroller of Public
Accounts.

JHF:E
encl.

BOND

This BOND must be sworn to by the owner of the original warrant, and also signed by the owner and two sureties before it will be approved and duplicate warrant issued.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Anderson

EXECUTE AND RETURN THIS BOND AND
DUPLICATE WARRANT WILL BE ISSUED.

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Mrs. Eliza A. Watts
who, after being by me duly sworn on oath, says that she is the true owner of Confederate Pension War-
rant No. 66857 for the sum of Exactly Twenty Dollars Dollars,
drawn by the Comptroller of the State of Texas, on April 30, 1934., in favor of
Mrs. Eliza A. Watts, and that the same is in fact lost or destroyed, or has not been received.

(SEAL)

Mrs. Eliza A. Watts
Owner of Warrant.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 9th day of July, 1934.

Notary Public
in & for Anderson Co., Texas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Anderson

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, Mrs. Eliza A. Watts
as principal, and x P. Kitcher and x C. Kitcher, as sureties,
are held and bound unto Miriam A. Ferguson, Governor of the State of Texas, and
his successors in office, in the sum of Exactly Fifty Dollars Dollars,
for the payment of which sum, well and truly to be made, we do bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and
administrators, jointly and severally.

Whereas, the above named principal has filed with the Comptroller..... affidavit, stating that..... is
the true owner of said Confederate Pension Warrant, drawn by the Comptroller of the State of Texas, on the
date shown in the above affidavit, in favor of said payee, and that the same is in fact lost or destroyed; and

Whereas, duplicate of said Confederate Pension Warrant, in favor of the original payee, will be issued;

Now, therefore, the condition of the above obligation is such that the owner of said warrant will hold the
State harmless and return to the Comptroller, upon demand being made therefor, such duplicate or copies, or
the amount of money named therein, together with all costs that may accrue against the State, on collecting
the same.

Given under our hands, this 9th day of July, A. D. 1934.

Mrs. Eliza A. Watts
Principal.

x P. Kitcher
Surety.

x C. Kitcher
Surety.

Approved day of, 193.....

County Anderson

Comptroller.

Number 14553

Address R. F. D. 1205 Conrad Street.

Palestine, Texas.
(City or Town)

July 7, 1934.

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1205 Conrad St

Palentine, Texas

July 4, 1934

Mr. Steer, F. Sheppard,
Comptroller of Public Acc.

Dear Sir:

I am sorry to have
you know that I have
lost my April Pension
check of this year. Would
you be kind enough
to send me a duplicate
check.

I now have the
rest of them in the
Payroll Mat. Bank of
Palentine, Tex

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safe keeping.

Sincerely Thanking you
I am,

Mrs. E. Ligea A. Blatter,

14553 Condonway
April Home Pm. 66557
Dallas 7-6-34

TX

BOND

This BOND must be sworn to by the owner of the original warrant, and also signed by the owner and two sureties before it will be approved and duplicate warrant issued.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

EXECUTE AND RETURN THIS BOND AND
DUPLICATE WARRANT WILL BE ISSUED.

County of.....

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared.....
who, after being by me duly sworn on oath, says that..... is the true owner of Confederate Pension War-
rant Nos. 93193, 102144, 111098, and 7530 for the sum of \$100.00 ^{only} ^{avg} ^{left} Dollars, drawn by the Comptroller of the
State of Texas, on....., in favor of Mrs. Eliza A. Watts, and that
the same is in fact lost or destroyed, or has not been received.

(SEAL)

Mrs. Eliza A. Watts
Owner of Warrant.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 15th day of Dec, 1933
R. M. Johnson, Notary
Public for Anderson Co., Texas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of.....

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we,.....
as principal, and..... and....., as sureties,
are held and bound unto Miriam A. Ferguson ~~Dan Moody~~, Governor of the State of Texas, and his successors in office, in the
sum of \$200.00 Dollars, for the payment of which sum, well and truly to be made,
we do bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally.

Whereas, the above named principal has filed with the Comptroller..... affidavit, stating that..... is
the true owner of said Confederate Pension Warrants drawn by the Comptroller of the State of Texas, on the
date shown in the above affidavit, in favor of said payee; and that the same is in fact lost or destroyed; and

Whereas, duplicate of said Confederate Pension Warrants in favor of the original payee, will be issued;

Now, therefore, the condition of the above obligation is such that the owner of said warrants will hold the
State harmless and return to the Comptroller, upon demand being made therefor, such duplicate or copies, or
the amount of money named therein, together with all costs that may accrue against the State, on collecting
the same.



Given under our hands, this 15th day of Dec, A. D., 1933

X Mrs. Eliza A. Watts Principal.
Nat Patton Surety.
R. M. Johnson Surety.

Approved 9 day of January, 1934

Geo. H. Sheppard
Comptroller.

County Anderson

Number 14553

Address R. F. D. 1205 1/2 Conrad Street.
Palestine, Texas.
(City or Town)

PALESTINE, TEXAS, Sept 17 1938
SM Estate of M. & Eliza A. Watts
For General Expenses of Eliza A. Watts

IN ACCOUNT WITH
BAILEY UNDERTAKING CO.

TOM BAILEY, OWNER

ABOVE ALL—SERVICE

107 W. Crawford St.

PHONE 15

1936

Sept 11	No	Casket	4.500		
v v v		Embalming	2.500		
v v v		Home	1.000		
v v v		Grav Equipm	500		
			<u>8.500</u>		

The above itemized statement is true and correct.

T. B. Bailey

Subscribed and sworn to by T. B. Bailey, this 17th. day of Sept A.D. 1938.

R. M. Johnson
Notary Public, Anderson County Texas

APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Anderson } I, R.M. Johnson

do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late Mrs. Eliza A. Watts, who was a pensioner of the State of Texas, and whose file number was 14553-3 and whose original county was Anderson.

The said pensioner Mrs. Eliza A. Watts, died on the 11th. day of Sept., 1938, in the town of Palestine County of Anderson, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of Roger Q. Watts who was related to the pensioner as Son

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. Eliza A. Watts

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 son in law that my postoffice address is P.O. Box 455 Palestine Texas City State

Signed R.M. Johnson

Sworn to before me this 16th. day of Sept, 1938

M. Johnston Notary Public in and for Anderson State of Texas.

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

CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, T.B. Bailey, 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 Eliza A. Watts, who died in the town of Palestine, County of Anderson, State of Texas on the 11th. day of Sept 1938. That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 11th. day of Sept 1938, and that I am of the opinion that warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said R.M. Johnson who makes the foregoing application.

Signed T.B. Bailey Undertaker.

CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, Fred E. Felder, do certify that I am a practicing physician, and that I attended Mrs. Eliza A. Watts in her last illness, and am of the opinion that her ailments were

hypertension arteriosclerosis - cerebral apoplexy - terminal illness.

I further certify that I am of the opinion that the Mortuary Warrant above requested should be issued in the name of the applicant, in accordance with Act passed by the Thirty-eighth Legislature and approved March 2, 1938

Signed Fred E. Felder, M.D., Physician's Address Palestine, Texas.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE RECEIVED SEP 20 1938

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