

26483

FORM A.

### Soldier's Application for a Pension

The <sup>OK</sup>Commissioner of Pensions reserves the right to call for additional testimony if he deems it necessary.

*Dead*

10-23-24

Name of Applicant.

*J. L. Weatherford*

*Anderson* County.

Postoffice *Elkhart*  
*Texas*

Filed *Feb. 25, 1914*

Approved *Dec. 1, 1913*

Pension allowed from *Mar. 1, 1914*

Rejected

*Geo. W. Kysel*

Commissioner of Pensions.  
~~Commissioner of Pensions~~

E. L. Steck, Printing, Bookbinding, Austin

*Ent.*

FORM A

For Use of Soldiers Who Are In Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Anderson

I, J. L. Weatherford do hereby make application to the Commissioner of Pensions for a pension to be granted me under the Act passed by the 53rd 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 I surrendered at

Meridian, Miss at close of civil war in 1865 under General Dick Taylor - He surrendered to Federal General Canby  
(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? 69 years of age -
2. Where were you born? Born in Tusaloosa County, Ala.
3. How long have you resided in Texas? Since 1866 - 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? In this County for past 22 years continuously; P.O. address Elkhart, Texas
6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law and been rejected? If rejected, state when and where. Never applied before -
7. What is your occupation, if able to engage in one? None What is your physical condition? Poor -
8. In what State was the command in which you served organized? Alabama
9. How long did you serve? Give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge. Enlisted in Spring of 1862, and served until end of war.
10. What was the letter of your company, number of battalion, regiment or battery? Merely known as Fairley's Battery at beginning; but called Pelon's Battery at the surrender -
11. If transferred from one command to another, give time of transfer, name of command and time of service None -
12. What branch of the service did you enlist in—infantry, cavalry, artillery or navy? Artillery -



- 13. If commissioned direct by the President, what was your rank and line of duty? A Private -
- 14. If detailed for special service, under the law of conscription, what was the nature of your service and how long did you serve? A Volunteer, never detailed -
- 15. What is the assessed value of your home, if you own a home? \$ 500.00
- 16. What is the assessed value of your other property? \$ 100.00
- 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) J. L. Weatherford

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 23 day of Feb, A. D. 1914 -

E. V. Swift

[Seal.]

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 E. V. Swift County Judge of Anderson County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared J. F. Hubert & A. G. Greenwood, who are personally

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

J. L. Weatherford the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the

said J. L. Weatherford 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) J. F. Hubert

(Signature of Witness) A. G. Greenwood

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 23 day of Feb, A. D. 1914 -

E. V. Swift

[Seal.]

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-



**E. V. SWIFT**

Attorney-at-Law  
**COUNTY JUDGE**  
Anderson County



Palestine, Texas, Feby. 23rd. 1914.

Hon. Geo. W. Kyser,  
Pension Commissioner,  
Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I herewith enclose pension application of Mr. J. L. Weatherford who lives at Elkhart, in this County.

I have known Mr. Weatherford for many years and know him to be honest and trustworthy. He is liked and respected by all who know him, and he has for many years been a good citizen of this County. He is now old and without means and in need of help. He has no property save a little home worth \$500., and is in need of the pension. I have investigated the matter and find the matters set out in his application to be true. You will find application in proper shape with affidavits as to service attached.

I join in asking that the pension be granted.

Yours very truly,

*E. V. Swift*  
County Judge.



EX PARTE

IN RE APPLICANT for CONFEDERATE PENSION

Under Act March 26, 1909, pending in

J. F. Weatherford

Anderson

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

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

Answers and depositions of (1) My name is J. Thomas Leach, I am 67 years of age and reside in Tuscaloosa Ala. My name is G. W. Reeves my age is 75 and I reside in Tuscaloosa

to the accompanying interrogations (2) J. Thomas Leach and G. W. Reeves being sworn propounded to them in the above entitled cause taken before (3) Mr. W. M. Munson Judge of Probate in accordance with the accompanying (7) Letter

To the first interrogatory the said

Witness, answers My name is J. Thomas Leach I am 67 years of age and reside in Tuscaloosa Ala.

2. Yes I know J. F. Weatherford, I knew him first in the Confederate Army. I am informed he lives in Texas.

3 & 4 He was first in Fowler's Battery which was known at surrender as Phelps Battery. I knew him in the army and he made a good soldier, I was in the same Company.

5. He never deserted or abandoned his post, He was honorably discharged at Meridian Miss.

6. I do not know how long he served but I served with him two years dont know when he enlisted but he was discharged May 10<sup>th</sup> 1865.

7. He was in Battle of Chickamauga, Kenesaw Mountain, Resaca, Atlanta, Jonesboro Ga, Lovejoy station, Nashville and others. He made a good soldier.

8 I did not know any other J. F. Weatherford in this Company.

9. I presume this is the same J. F. Weatherford as he went from Alabama to Texas after war.

J. Thomas Leach



J. W. Reeves being duly sworn says:  
 My name is J. W. Reeves I am 75  
 years of age and reside in Tuscaloosa  
 Ala.

2. I know J. R. Weatherford, I knew him  
 first knew him in the Army, I am informed  
 he now lives in Texas.
3. I knew him in the Confederate army he  
 served with me in Towless Battery which  
 was known as Phelps Battery at Sunners  
 he made a first class Soldier.
4. He never deserted or abandoned  
 his post, He was honorably discharged.
5. Don't know how long he served  
 but 2 or 3 years at least, too far  
 back to remember, He was discharged  
 in 1868 at Meridian.
6. He was in Battle of Chickamauga  
 Newnan Mountain Atlanta,  
 Nashville & others.
7. I did not know any other J. R.  
 Weatherford in the Army.
8. I presume this is the same J. R.  
 Weatherford as he now lives in Texas.

J. W. Reeves

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 20 day of July, 1914

*Wm W. Brandon*  
Judge of Probate

THE STATE OF Alabama  
County of Inseloon

I, Wm W. Brandon  
(Here give name and official character of officer before whom taken)

Judge of Probate do hereby certify that J. Thos Leach  
and J. W. Reeves are personally known to me to be credible citizens of said  
County and State, and that the foregoing answers of each of them  
respectively, the witnesses 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) J. Thos Leach & J. W. Reeves

Given under my hand and official seal, this the 20 day of July, 1914

(L. S.)

*Wm W. Brandon*  
Judge of Probate

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

File No

Before the Honorable Judge of Said County.

EX PARTE

Applicant for Pension

DEPOSITION

OF

Witness for Applicant.

Filed \_\_\_\_\_ day \_\_\_\_\_ 1914

Clerk

Deputy

Fee for Taking Deposition, \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- (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.



Referred to  
1924  
Form 768b-S21-124-2m  
COMP. FOR THE OFFICE

### APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Anderson

I, B. F. Weatherford

do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late J. L. Weatherford, who was a pensioner of the State of Texas, and whose file number was 26483 and whose original county was Anderson

The said pensioner J. L. Weatherford died on the 5 day of October, 1924, in the town of Elkhart Texas County of Anderson, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of his 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 expenses incurred by the said pensioner. J. L. Weatherford

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) son B. F. Weatherford that my postoffice address is

Elkhart  
City

Texas  
State

Sworn to before me this 25<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1924

Signed B. F. Weatherford  
Aggravated  
Notary Public in and for Anderson State of Texas.

### CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, W. A. Weatherford, do certify that I am undertaker in the town of Elkhart County of Anderson, State of Texas that I had charge of the body of furnished Casket for the body of J. L. Weatherford who died in the town of Elkhart, County of Anderson State of Texas on the Fifth day of October, 1924. That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1924, and that I am of the opinion that warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said B. F. Weatherford who makes the foregoing application.

Signed W. A. Weatherford  
Dealer in coffins & Caskets,

### CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, W. O. Sunderbuck, do certify that I am a practicing physician, and that I attended J. L. Weatherford in his last illness, and am of the opinion that his ailments were chronic Myocarditis growing out of old-age. Serious debility caused tributed largely to his death.

I further certify that I am of the opinion that the Mortuary Warrant above requested should be issued in the name of the aforementioned applicant, in accordance with Act passed by the Thirty-eighth Legislature, and approved March 2, 1923.

Signed W. O. Sunderbuck  
Physician's Address Elkhart Texas.

Oct 5<sup>th</sup> 1924  
W. O. Sunderbuck

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

