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FORM No. 2.

CONFEDERATE PENSION APPLICATION.

Name of Applicant,  
*E. M. Higginbotham*  
*Smith* County.

Post Office *Trappe*

Comptroller's File No. *3695*

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 *7* day of *Oct*

A. D. *1899*  
*W. J. Spain*  
Pension Clerk.

I hereby *approve* the within application for pension, this *13* day of

*Oct* A. D. *1899*  
*McTulley*  
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

*Smith*

To the Honorable County Judge of *Smith* County, Texas.

Your petitioner, Mrs. *Elizabeth M. Higginbotham* respectfully represents that she is a resident citizen of *Smith* County, in the State of Texas; that she is the widow of *W. N. Higginbotham*, 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 *W. N. Higginbotham*, 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 *E. M. Higginbotham*
- Q. What is your age? Answer *66 years old*
- Q. In what County do you reside? Answer *Smith*
- Q. How long have you resided in said County and what is your post office address? Answer *48 years - Troup - Texas -*
- 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 keeping -*
- Q. What is your physical condition? Answer *Health fairly good.*
- Q. What was the name of your deceased husband? Answer *W. N. Higginbotham*
- Q. Were you married to him anterior to March 1, 1866? If so, on what date were you married to him and where? Answer *yes - May 4 - 1856 - Smith Co. Tex.*
- Q. What was the date of his death? Answer *July 23 - 1863 -*
- 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 - 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 *Co. H, 14th Regt. Inf. (14th Regt. Inf. - 1 year)*
- Q. If your deceased husband served in the Confederate Navy, state when and where, and the time of such service? Answer *None*
- 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 *I rec<sup>d</sup> certificate for 1280 acres of land, which I sold for \$65.00*



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: *I have no land, nor personal property of any character.*

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: *Yes -*

Q. Are you unable by your labor to earn a support? Answer: *Yes -*

Q. Have you transferred to others any property of value of any kind for the purpose of becoming a beneficiary under this law? Answer: *None*

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 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) *Elizabeth Mc Higginbotham*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this *25* day of *July* A. D. *1899*

(SEAL)

*Geo. W. Cross,*  
County Judge *Smith* County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES.

(NOTE—There must be at least two credible witnesses.)

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF *Smith* Before me, *Geo. W. Cross*

County Judge of *Smith* County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *Moses Pace and G. W. Grissom*

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. *E. M. Higginbotham*, applicant for a pension as the widow of *W. H. Higginbotham*, deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of the said *W. H. Higginbotham*, deceased; that they personally know that the said *W. H. Higginbotham*, 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. *E. M. Higginbotham*, widow of the said *W. H. Higginbotham* deceased, is unable to support herself by labor of any sort.

(Signature of Witness) *Moses Pace*

(Signature of Witness) *G. W. Grissom*

(Signature of Witness)

(Signature of Witness)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this *first* day of *Aug* A. D. *1899*

(SEAL)

*Geo. W. Cross*  
County Judge *Smith* County, Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY JUDGE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Smith

I, Geo. W. Cross

County Judge of Smith

County, State of Texas, do hereby certify that on the 1<sup>st</sup>

day of Aug. A. D. 1899

before me came on to be heard the application of Mrs. Elizabeth M. Higginbotham widow of W. N. Higginbotham

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 Mrs. E. M. Higginbotham 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. E. M. Higginbotham as widow of W. N. Higginbotham 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 Tyler this first

day of Aug. A. D. 1899

Geo. W. Cross  
County Judge Smith County, State of Texas.

(SEAL)

CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Smith

We, the undersigned members of the Commissioners Court of

Smith County, Texas, hereby certify that the foregoing application of Mrs. Elizabeth M. Higginbotham widow of W. N. Higginbotham deceased, for a pension, together with the proof in support thereof, was duly submitted by Hon. Geo. W. Cross

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

County, at a regular term thereof on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of Aug. 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 Tyler Tex this 16<sup>th</sup>  
day of Aug. A. D. 1899

(Signatures of Commissioners.)

W. B. Hairgrove TX  
G. A. Brown  
D. J. Spenser  
M. H. Coe

(SEAL)

APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Smith

I, J.D. Higginbotham

do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late Mrs. E.M. Higginbotham, who was a pensioner of the State of Texas, and whose file number was 369.5 and whose original county was Smith.

The said pensioner Mrs. E.M. Higginbotham, died on the 27 day of June, 1924, in the town of Troup County of Smith, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of Undersigned J.D. Higginbotham 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. Mrs. E.M. Higginbotham

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 that my postoffice address is Troup Texas R# 2 Box 36

City Troup State Texas

Signed J.D. Higginbotham  
Sworn to before me this 12 day of July, 1924  
J. Collier  
Notary Public in and for Smith State of Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, COLLIER BROS.

do certify that I am undertaker in the town of Troup County of Smith, State of Texas that I had charge of the body of Mrs. E.M. Higginbotham, who died in the town of Troup, County of Smith, State of Texas on the 27 day of June, 1924. That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 28 day of June, 1924, and that I am of the opinion that warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said J.D. Higginbotham who makes the foregoing application.

Signed COLLIER BROS.  
Undertaker.

CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, D.T. Braly do certify that I am a practicing physician, and that I attended Mrs. E.M. Higginbotham in his last illness, and am of the opinion that his ailments were Proth. trip of general debility and old age.

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 D.T. Braly M.D.  
Physician's Address Troup Texas

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

June 27th as  
was ok.