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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.

J. A. Colburn  
Henderson County.

Postoffice

Chandler

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Approved

Pension allowed from

Rejected

Commissioner of Pensions.

*Handwritten notes on the right margin, including a vertical signature or name.*

FORM A

For Use of Soldiers, Who are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS }  
 County of Henderson }

I, J. A. Calhoun, 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

I enlisted in the Spring of 1862, the war was caused by North freeing the negroes  
 (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? I was 63 years old Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> 1909
2. Where were you born? Union Paris, La.
3. How long have you resided in Texas? 50 years
4. In what county do you reside? Henderson
5. How long have you resided in said county and what is your postoffice address 3 1/2 years, my address is Chandler Tex. R.F. # 2
6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law and been rejected? If rejected, state when and where I never applied for any pension before
7. What is your occupation, if able to engage in one? Slipable TX
8. In what State was the command in which you served organized? Texas
9. How long did you serve? Give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge 1862 and dis. 1865
10. What was the letter of your company, number or name of battalion, regiment or battery? Company G. Regiment 13 Texas
11. If transferred from one command to another, give time of transfer, name of command and time of service I never was transferred
12. What branch of the service did you enlist in—infantry, cavalry, artillery or navy? I enlisted in Cavalry & was dismounted

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

*I was a private soldier.*

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

*I was not detailed.*

15. 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 his application for pension be approved and such other proceedings be had in the premises as are required by law.

(Signature of Applicant) *J. A. Calhoun*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *11* day of *Aug.*, A. D. 19*04*

*John S. Pruice*  
County Judge *Henderson* County, Texas.

[SEAL.]

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

[NOTE.—There must be at least two credible witnesses.]

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of *Henderson* }

Before me *John S. Pruice*, County Judge of *Henderson* County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared ....., who are personally

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

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

*Calhoun* 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) *Paul Jones*

(Signature of Witness) *S. Cantrell*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *11* day of *Aug.*, A. D. 19*04*

*John S. Pruice*  
County Judge *Henderson* County, Texas.

[SEAL.]

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 *Henderson* }

Before me *John S. Pruice*, County Judge of *Henderson* County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *Shade Cantrell & J. R. Henry*

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

and true, to the best of their knowledge and belief, and that they have no interest in this claim, and said applicant's habits are good and free from dishonor. And will further make oath to the following facts

touching the applicant's service in the Confederate Army:

J. S. Cantel, was in some company with applicant & know he served through the Civil War.

J. R. Henry, was a member of some company - Company N-13 Texas Cavalry, dismounted. I know applicant was a member of some company, and made a good soldier.

(Signature of Witness)

J. S. Cantel

(Signature of Witness)

J. R. Henry

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 11 day of Aug. A. D. 1909.

John S. Priddy  
County Judge Henderson County, Texas.

[SEAL.]

CERTIFICATE OF THE STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR

I, W. H. Davis, State and County Assessor in the County of Henderson State of Texas, do certify that J. A. Calhoun or his wife, or his trustee, or trustee for his wife, 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 said county with estate, real, personal and mixed, at the assessed value of None dollars.

Given under my hand, this 13 day of Aug, A. D. 1909.

W. H. Davis

State and County Assessor.





E. A. BOLMES, Commissioner

OFFICE OF  
**Commissioner of Pensions**  
 State of Texas  
 Austin

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

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to request the military record  
 of J. A. Calhoun who is reported to have enlisted in  
 Company G, Regiment 13<sup>th</sup> Texas Cavalry  
 in the service of the Confederate States Army.

Purpose: 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.



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

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**WAR DEPARTMENT,**

**THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,**

WASHINGTON, September 3, 1909.

*Respectfully returned to the*

Commissioner of Pensions,  
State of Texas,  
Austin.

The records show that John A. Calhoun, private, Company G, 13th Texas Cavalry, Confederate States Army, enlisted February 22, 1862. On the company roll for January and February, 1864, the last roll on file, he is reported present. No later record of him has been found.



The Adjutant General.