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FORM B.

Dead

Widow's Application for a Pension

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

Name of Applicant.

Mrs M. J. Cooper
Beardman County.

Postoffice

Malakoff Tex
Route # 2

Filed

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Approved

Feb 12 1919

Pension allowed from

Feb 12 1919

Rejected

Feb 12 1918

H B Fordell

Commissioner of Pensions.

Comptroller

For Use of Widows of Soldiers who are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF Wenderson

I, Mrs. Melinda Jane Cofer, do hereby make application to the Commissioner of Pensions for a pension, to be granted me under the Act passed by the Thirty-third Legislature of the State of Texas, and approved April 7, A. D. 1913, on the following grounds:

I am the widow of Wm. M. Cofer, deceased, who departed this life on the 5th day of January, A. D. 1919, in the county of Wenderson 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 18 day of February, A. D. 1898, in the county of Obion, in the State of Tennessee.

My husband, the said Wm. M. Cofer, 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 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 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 anyone hold in trust for my benefit or use, estate or property, either real, personal or mixed, either in fee or for life, of the value of one thousand dollars, exclusive of the home of the value of not over \$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 I do further state that the answers given to the following questions are true:

1. What is your age? He born May 6, 1860-
2. Where were you born? Perry Co. Tenn-
3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? Since 1899-
4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? And what is your postoffice address? Since 1899 - Melusoff Tex. P. # 2
5. Did your husband draw a pension? If so, give his file number yes - 34697
6. What was your husband's full name? Wm. Madison Cofer
7. What was the date of his death? Jan. 5, 1919
8. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? See his application
9. How long did your husband serve? If known to you give date of enlistment and discharge. Reference to his application per Pension & proofs thereunder in file in spec. office
10. What was the name or letter of the company, 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 time of service. Refer to same as in answer to Q 9 above

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 time of service.

Reference same as above

12. 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 her application for a pension may be approved and such other proceedings be had in the premises as are required by law.

(Signature of Applicant)

Melinda J. Cofer

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 1st day of Feb, A. D. 1919.

J. A. McDaniel
County Judge Wenderson County, Texas.

[Seal.]

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

[Note.—There must be at least two creditable witnesses.]

THE STATE OF TEXAS,)
COUNTY OF Harrison

Before me, J. A. McDonald, County Judge of Harrison County,
State of Texas, on this day personally appeared C. A. Tanner & F. E. Ingram, who are personally
known to me to be creditable citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know that
Mrs. Malinda J. Bofer, applicant for a pension as the widow of Wm. M. Bofer
deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of Wm. M. Bofer 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)

(Signature of Witness)

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 1 day of Feb, A. D. 1919

[Seal.]

County Judge Harrison County, Texas.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS,)
COUNTY OF Henderson

Before me, J. A. McDonald, County Judge of Henderson County,
State of Texas, on this day personally appeared C. A. Tanner & F. E. Ingram, who are personally
known to me to be creditable citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know the
above named applicant for pension, and that they personally know that the said M. J. Bofer
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 this claim.

(Signature of Witness)

(Signature of Witness)

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 1 day of Feb, A. D. 1919

[Seal.]

County Judge Henderson County, Texas.

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 _____ }

Before me, _____, County Judge of _____ County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared _____, who personally known to me to be creditable 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; (State fully your source of knowledge) : _____

*Bill # 34697
for war record*

(Signature of Witnesses) _____

(Signature of Witnesses) _____

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this _____ day of _____ A. D. 191 _____

[Seal.]

County Judge _____ County, Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR

I, *H. D. Gilliam*, State and County Assessor in the County of *Wenderson* State of Texas, do certify that Mrs. *M. J. Cooper* whose name is signed to the foregoing application for a pension, under the Act of the Thirty-third Legislature, approved April 7, 1913, is charged on the tax rolls of said county with a homestead of the value of *no* _____ Dollars, and of other property, real or personal, or both, of the value of *no* _____ Dollars.

Given under my hand, this *1* day of *Feb* A. D. 191 *9*

X *H. D. Gilliam*
State and County Assessor. (TX)

APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Henderson } I, Myrtle Fort
 do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of
 the late Mrs M J Cofer, who was a pensioner of the State of
 Texas, and whose file number was 35607 and whose original county was Henderson

The said pensioner Mrs M J Cofer, died on the
7 day of August, 19 32, in the town of Malakoff
 County of Henderson, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of Myrtle Fort
 who was related to the pensioner as a Daughter

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 M J Cofer

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) A Daughter
 that my postoffice address is Malakoff Texas

Street or R. F. D.

Malakoff

City

Texas

State

Signed

Myrtle FortSworn to before me this 12 day of August, 19 32Myrtle Fort

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

Notary Public in and for Henderson State of Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, J. A. Baird, do certify that I am undertaker in the
 town of Malakoff, County of Henderson, State of Texas
 that I had charge of the body of Mrs M J Cofer, who died in the
 town of Malakoff, County of Henderson, State of Texas
 on the 7th day of Aug 1932. That said body was prepared for burial by me
 on the 7th day of Aug 1932, and that I am of the opinion that
 warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said Myrtle Fort
 who makes the foregoing application.

Signed

J. A. Baird

Undertaker.

CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, Dr J A Fowler, do certify that I am a practicing
 physician, and that I attended Mrs M J Cofer in his last illness, and
 am of the opinion that his ailments were Dysentery

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

J. A. FowlerPhysician's Address Malakoff Texas35607Henderson8-10-3235607

ATTORNEY AT LAW

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of _____

do hereby certify that _____ is the person to whom _____ the power of attorney and indorsement of _____

the date _____

Texas, and whose _____ and whose _____

The said _____

day of _____

County of _____

This power of attorney is given to _____

who was related to the _____

That the contents of this power of attorney shall be subject to paying all of the _____

financial expenses incurred by _____

I further certify that _____

has been duly _____

and my position _____

