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FORM A.

Soldier's Application for a Pension.

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

Dead x.

Name of Applicant.

Jas. F. Barker
Henderson County.

Postoffice

Arkens

Filed

Aug 11th 1913

Approved

Sept. 12th 1913

Pension allowed from

Dec. 12th 1913

Rejected

George H. Jones

Commissioner of Pensions.

Commissioner of Pensions.

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FORM A

For Use of Soldiers Who Are In Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of Henderson

I, James F. Cobb do hereby make application to the Commissioner of Pensions for a pension to be granted me under the Act passed by the 33rd 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 Surrendered in Tallapoosa
Alabama at the close of the war

(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? 72
2. Where were you born? In Shelby Co. Ala
3. How long have you resided in Texas? 26 years
4. In what county do you reside? Henderson
5. How long have you resided in said county and what is your postoffice address? 18 Months, Athens, Texas R. F. D. #4

6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law and been rejected? If rejected, state when and where. Have not applied

7. What is your occupation, if able to engage in one? Farming
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. 4 years. Discharged
10. What was the letter of your company, number of battalion, regiment or battery? I was in Co. C. 6th Ala Regiment



11. If transferred from one command to another, give time of transfer, name of command and time of service

Not transferred

12. What branch of the service did you enlist in—infantry, cavalry, artillery or navy?

Cavalry

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

not commissioned

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

not detailed for any special service

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

(Signature of Applicant)

J. F. Carter

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *9* day of *Aug*, A. D. 19*13*

C. D. Owen

[Seal.]

County Judge *Hudson* County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of *Hudson* }

Before me *C. D. Owen*, County Judge of *Hudson* County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *F. E. Lybrand + F. F. Mass*, who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know

Jas. F. Carter, the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said *Jas. F. Carter* 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)

F. E. Lybrand

(Signature of Witness)

F. F. Mass

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *9* day of *Aug*, A. D. 19*13*

C. D. Owen

[SEAL.]

County Judge *Hudson* 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 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

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this _____ day of _____, 191_____

THE STATE OF _____ }
 County of _____ } I, _____
 (Here give name and official character of officer before whom taken)

_____ do hereby certify that _____
 and _____ are personally known to me to be credible citizens of said
 County and State, and that the foregoing answers of _____
 _____, the witness _____ 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) _____

Given under my hand and official seal, this the _____ day of _____, 191_____
 (L. S.) _____

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 Com-
 missioner of Deeds of Texas.

File No. _____

In _____ County, Texas,
 Before the Honorable Judge of Said County.

EX PARTE

John A. Cook
 Applicant for Pension

DEPOSITION OF

John A. Cook

Witness _____ for Applicant.

Filed _____ day

of _____, 191_____

_____, Clerk.

By _____, 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.

EX-PARTE

Pending in Henderson County,
Texas, before the Honorable County Judge of said County.

James F. Coker
Applicant for Confederate Pension.

The Honorable County Judge of _____ County, Texas,
will please take notice that, five days after the service hereof, applicant herein will apply to the Clerk of the County
Court of said County and State for a commission to take the depositions of _____
and _____ who reside _____ in the County
of _____ in the State of _____ in answer to the following interrogatories and
such cross-interrogatories as may be propounded by the County Judge of said County, which will be read in evi-
dence upon the hearing of applicant's claim for pension in behalf of applicant; said testimony is material and in-
dispensable to applicant in furnishing the required proof of _____ claim for a pension under the Act of March 26,
1909, the application for which is now pending before the Honorable County Judge, and the facts necessary and re-
quired to be proven under the provisions of said act, applicant believes cannot be proven by any witness _____ residing
in the County of _____ and State of Texas, which _____ is a bona fide resident.

(Applicant) Attorney _____ for Applicant.

Direct Interrogatories to be Propounded to the Witness _____.

- John A. Coker J.R. Coker - 81. R #4 Mont. Tex
- INT. 1. What is your name? Age? Present place of residence and postoffice address? J. F. Coker
- INT. 2. Do you personally know, or did you at any time know _____ who
_____ is an applicant for pension under Act of March 26, 1909? yes
- INT. 3. How long had you known the said _____
and when and where did you first know him? 72 yrs - in Ala. (and to my brother)
- INT. 4. Do you personally know that the said _____
enlisted in the service of the Confederacy, and performed the duties of a soldier or a sailor? yes
- INT. 5. Do you personally know in what company and regiment the said _____
enlisted and served in the Confederate army? When? Where? And the time of service? If you per-
sonally knew and so have stated that he enlisted and served in the Confederate navy, then state: When?
Where? And how long he so served? 6. 6. 6 - Ala. Cavalry - in 1863 at Poland, Tex. and under the command of the General
- INT. 6. Do you personally know that _____
was commissioned as an officer directly by the President of the Confederate States? What was his rank
and line of duty? was elected as a Lieutenant near the close of war but was Red Cross
- INT. 7. Do you further know if _____ was, under the
provisions of the conscript law, detailed for any kind of special service in the field, shops, armories, etc.,
of the Confederacy? What was the nature of his service, and how long did he serve? yes was

CROSS INTERROGATORIES.

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To be Propounded to John A. Coker

- CROSS INTERROGATORY 1. If, in answer to the foregoing direct interrogatories, you have stated that you per-
sonally know or did know said J. F. Coker and that you know that he enlisted in the service
of the Confederacy and performed the duties of a soldier or sailor, and having named the company and regiment, or
special service in which J. F. Coker so enlisted and served, then please state fully what
is your source of such knowledge? And state whether or not you know or at any time you knew of any other soldier
or sailor by the name of J. F. Coker serving in the same company or regiment, or special
service in which you say the said J. F. Coker enlisted, if you have stated that said
J. F. Coker enlisted and served in the navy of the Confederacy, then state whether or

not you know any other soldier or sailor of the same name as said J. F. Carter
 applicant serving in the same command, or the special service to which he was assigned? is my brother & came to my
command & was assigned to the same
as the other in command
 If you say that you know other soldiers or sailors of the same name of J. F. Carter
 then can you and how do you identify and locate the one from the other or others? + + +
 CROSS INT. 2. Are you positively certain that said J. F. Carter
 is the identical person serving as testified by you? Yes
 CROSS INT. 3. Do you know whether or not the said J. F. Carter
 served honorably from the date of his enlistment until the close of the late Civil War between the States, or until he
 was discharged from said company and regiment, or the special service to which he had been assigned? "Yes"
 CROSS INT. 4. Do you know whether or not the said J. F. Carter
 deserted his command, or voluntarily abandoned his post of duty or the service during said war? I know he never did

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of Henderson

I, Ed Owen, County Judge of said County, in said State,
 do hereby waive copy of interrogatories, notice, time and issuance of commission, and it is hereby agreed that the
 answers to the hereinabove direct and cross interrogatories of the said herein named witness may be attached hereto.

Ed Owen
 County Judge Henderson County, Texas.
J. F. Carter

(Applicant) Attorney for Appellant.

In Re
 Application for Confederate
 Pension.

FOR USE OF SOLDIERS OR WIDOWS.

Pending before the County Judge of said County.

EX PARTE

Applicant.

INTERROGATORIES
 propounded to

Witnesses.

EX PARTE

James F. Coker

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

Answers and depositions of (1)

John R Coker

IN RE APPLICANT for CONFEDERATE PENSION

Apr 7-1913
Under Act March 26, 1909, pending *in*

Henderson

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

to the accompanying interrogations (2)

propounded to *him* in the above entitled cause taken before (3) *R F White Notary Public*
in & for *Limestone Co Tex*
in accordance with the accompanying (7) *Interrogatories & Application of J F Coker*

To the first interrogatory the said

Witness, answers

J R Coker is 81 yrs old - his P.O. is R# 4 Mont W
was 81 yrs old - his P.O. is R# 4 Mont W
has known *J F Coker* 72 yrs. "is his own Brother,
knew from birth in the State of Ark.,
He enlisted in Co. C. 6th Ala Cavalry, in 1863 at Poland Ark
He was labeled as a Lieutenant near the close of the war. But
was never commissioned *J R Coker*

In Interrogatory 3. These Depositions are being taken by
R F White Notary in for Limestone Co Tex

The State of Texas Co of Limestone

On this the 21st day of July 1913 Personally appeared
Before me *J R Coker* a Reputable citizen of Limestone Co Tex
whose name is subscribed to the above Interrogatories and
on oath swears that the above answers are true and
correct - Given under my hand and signature and
Seal of office

R F White Notary Public
in & for Limestone Co Tex



File No..

In.....County, Texas,

Before the Honorable Judge of Said County.

EX PARTE

James F. Coster
Applicant for Pension

Applicant for Pension

DEPOSITION OF

W. M. Conda
~~Capt Thomas Richards~~

~~Capt Thomas Roberts~~

Witness.....for Applicant.

Filed _____ day _____

of 191

..... Clerk.

By, Deputy.

Fee for Taking Deposition, \$.....

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(L.S.)

do hereby certify that _____
and _____ are personally known to me to be credible citizens of said
County and State, and that the foregoing answers of _____
_____, the witness, 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) _____
Given under my hand and official seal, this the _____ day of _____, 191

THE STATE OF _____ }
County of _____ }
I, _____ }
(Here give name and official character of officer before whom taken)

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this day of 191.....



- (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.

EX PARTE

J. F. Coker

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

IN RE APPLICANT for CONFEDERATE PENSION

Apr 7 1913
Under Act March 26, 1909, pending.

Henderson

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

Answers and depositions of (1) My Name is W M Ponder 72 yrs old.

I live in Limestone Co Tex My P.O. is Delta Tex R# 2 -

to the accompanying interrogations (2) I know personally J F Coker how known him 60 yrs
propounded to me in the above entitled cause taken before (3) R F White M.P. Limestone Co
in accordance with the accompanying (7) He was never detailed for Field shops or armory

To the first interrogatory the said W M Ponder

Witness, answers This name is W M Ponder, is 72 yrs old.

✓ Live in Limestone Co Tex. P.O. Delta R# 2 -

3 How known J F Coker 60 yrs

+ I know of my own knowledge that J F Coker the applicant herein, enlisted into the Confederate army, in 1863 in Co "C", 6th Ala Cavalry.

5 Yes in Co "C", 6th Ala Cavalry in 1863, as above stated at Polard Fla, and served until the surrender

6 He J F Coker was elected a Lieutenant near the close of the war But was never commissioned -

7 He was never detailed to do any kind of special service on Field in shops or armory.

I know Subrogator

No 1 I was in the Confederate army Co "C", 6th Ala Cavalry when J F Coker the applicant herein joined the said command. He & I joined at the same time. We boys raised in the same neighborhood. He & I left our homes in Ala and went to the command above mentioned and joined some Co & command to Gadsden & served until the end of the war.

There was no other J F Coker in this command -

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No 2 I am positive that J F Coker herein mentioned is the identical person herein mentioned.

No 3. Yes I know that He served Honorably
until the close of the war

No 4. I know that He never deserted his command
or voluntarily abandoned his Post or duty
Wm Dondos

The State of Texas Limestone Co

On this the 21st day of July 1913

Personally appeared Before me W M Dondos a Respectable
Citizen of Limestone Co Tex whose name is subscribed
to the above interrogatories and on oath swears
that the above answers are true & correct.

Given under my hand Signature & Seal of office

R. F. Whitt Notary Public
In & for Limestone Co Tex

EX-PARTE

J. F. Coker
Applicant for Confederate Pension.

Pending in *Harrison* County,
Texas, before the Honorable County Judge of said County.

The Honorable County Judge of _____ County, Texas,
will please take notice that, five days after the service hereof, applicant herein will apply to the Clerk of the County
Court of said County and State for a commission to take the depositions of _____
and _____ who reside _____ in the County
of _____ in the State of _____ in answer to the following interrogatories and
such cross-interrogatories as may be propounded by the County Judge of said County, which will be read in evi-
dence upon the hearing of applicant's claim for pension in behalf of applicant; said testimony is material and in-
dispensable to applicant in furnishing the required proof of _____ claim for a pension under the Act of March 26,
1909, the application for which is now pending before the Honorable County Judge, and the facts necessary and re-
quired to be proven under the provisions of said act, applicant believes cannot be proven by any witness _____ residing
in the County of _____ and State of Texas, which _____ is a bona fide resident.

(Applicant) Attorney _____ for Applicant.

Direct Interrogatories to be Propounded to the Witness _____

- Capt. Thomas Richards* *W. M. Ponder*
INT. 1. What is your name? Age? Present place of residence and postoffice address? *W. M. Ponder, 72 1/2 old*
INT. 2. Do you personally know, or did you at any time know *J. F. Coker* who
_____ is an applicant for pension under Act of March 26, 1909?
INT. 3. How long had you known the said *J. F. Coker*
and when and where did you first know him?
INT. 4. Do you personally know that the said *J. F. Coker*
enlisted in the service of the Confederacy, and performed the duties of a soldier or a sailor?
INT. 5. Do you personally know in what company and regiment the said *J. F. Coker*
enlisted and served in the Confederate army? When? Where? And the time of service? If you per-
sonally knew and so have stated that he enlisted and served in the Confederate navy, then state: When?
Where? And how long he so served?
INT. 6. Do you personally know that *J. F. Coker*
was commissioned as an officer directly by the President of the Confederate States? What was his rank
and line of duty?
INT. 7. Do you further know if *J. F. Coker* was, under the
provisions of the conscript law, detailed for any kind of special service in the field, shops, armories, etc.,
of the Confederacy? What was the nature of his service, and how long did he serve?

CROSS INTERROGATORIES.

To be Propounded to *Capt. Thomas Richards*
CROSS INTERROGATORY 1. If, in answer to the foregoing direct interrogatories, you have stated that you per-
sonally know or did know said *J. F. Coker* and that you know that he enlisted in the service
of the Confederacy and performed the duties of a soldier or sailor, and having named the company and regiment, or
special service in which *J. F. Coker* so enlisted and served, then please state fully what
is your source of such knowledge? And state whether or not you know or at any time you knew of any other soldier
or sailor by the name of *J. F. Coker* serving in the same company or regiment, or special
service in which you say the said *J. F. Coker* enlisted, if you have stated that said
J. F. Coker enlisted and served in the navy of the Confederacy, then state whether or

not you know any other soldier or sailor of the same name as said J. F. Coker
 applicant serving in the same command, or the special service to which he was assigned?

If you say that you know other soldiers or sailors of the same name of J. F. Coker
 then can you and how do you identify and locate the one from the other or others?

CROSS INT. 2. Are you positively certain that said J. F. Coker
 is the identical person serving as testified by you?

CROSS INT. 3. Do you know whether or not the said J. F. Coker
 served honorably from the date of his enlistment until the close of the late Civil War between the States, or until he
 was discharged from said company and regiment, or the special service to which he had been assigned?

CROSS INT. 4. Do you know whether or not the said J. F. Coker
 deserted his command, or voluntarily abandoned his post of duty or the service during said war?

THE STATE OF TEXAS }
 County of Henderson

I, C. D. Owen, County Judge of said County, in said State,
 do hereby waive copy of interrogatories, notice, time and issuance of commission, and it is hereby agreed that the
 answers to the hereinabove direct and cross interrogatories of the said herein named witness may be attached hereto.

C. D. Owen
 County Judge Henderson County, Texas.

J. F. Coker
 (Applicant) ~~Attorney~~ for Appellant.

W. J. Coker

In Re

Application for Confederate
 Pension.

FOR USE OF SOLDIERS OR WIDOWS.

County, Texas.

Pending before the County Judge of said County.

EX PARTE

Applicant.

INTERROGATORIES
 propounded to

Witnesses.

APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Wood } I, _____
do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late J. F. Baker, who was a pensioner of the State of Texas, and whose file number was 21697 and whose original county was Henderson

The said pensioner J. F. Baker, died on the 26 day of March, 1924, in the town of Alba County of Wood, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of R. A. Baker 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. F. Baker

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 _____

Alba City

Street or R. F. D.

Texas State

Signed R. A. Baker

Sworn to before me this 9 day of April, 1924

Blyde Jordan

Notary Public in and for Wood Co. State of Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, Bland Belk, do certify that I am undertaker in the town of Alba County of Wood State of Texas that I had charge of the body of J. F. Baker who died in the town of Alba County of Wood State of Texas on the 26 day of March 1924. That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 26 day of March 1924; and that I am of the opinion that warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said R. A. Baker (son) who makes the foregoing application.

Signed Bland Belk

Undertaker.

CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, L. Faulk, M.D., do certify that I am a practicing physician, and that I attended James F. Baker in his last illness, and am of the opinion that his ailments were senility, near 83 years of 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 L. Faulk, M.D.

Physician's Address Alba, Texas

Mar 26th

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Must return before 40 days expires

APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

STATE OF TEXAS

County of Woods

do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late J. A. Baker

State of Texas, and whose life number was 2227 and whose original county was Woods

The said pensioner J. A. Baker died on the 26 day of March 1924 in the town of Albino County of Woods Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of J. A. Baker

who was related to the pensioner as husband

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.

I further certify that the warrant of 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 (Grand)

that my notified address is Albino

Sworn to before me this 26 day of March 1924

Signed J. A. Baker

Notary Public in and for State of Texas



CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, J. A. Baker do certify that I am undertaker in the town of Albino State of Texas

that I had charge of the body of J. A. Baker who died in the town of Albino State of Texas

on the 26 day of March 1924. That said body was prepared for burial by me

and that I am of the opinion that no warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said J. A. Baker who makes the foregoing application.

Signed J. A. Baker

Undertaker.

CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, J. A. Baker do certify that I am a practicing physician, and that I attended J. A. Baker in his last illness, and

am of the opinion that his ailments were no

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 Thirtieth Legislature, and approved March 2, 1923.

Signed J. A. Baker

Physician's Address Albino