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FORM A

Soldier's Application
for Pension

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

Name of Applicant.
J. H. Cooper
Henderson County.
Postoffice *Muscatine*

Filed *Jan 31-1913.*

Approved *Sept 1 1913*

Pension allowed from *Dec 1 1913*

Rejected

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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, J. H. Cooper 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 Apr 7 - 1913 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 Was wounded at Peach Tree Creek

Near Atlanta in July 1864 and was discharged from the hospital as being unable for further service
(Give date and cause.)

that I have been a bona fide citizen of this State since prior to January 1, A. D. 1900 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 a 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? 71 years of age
2. Where were you born? In Tennessee
3. How long have you resided in Texas? 22 years
4. In what county do you reside? Henderson
5. How long have you resided in said county and what is your postoffice address? 22 years in Henderson Co., Mahanost, Texas, Rt. # 2

6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law and been rejected? If rejected, state when and where Never 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? In Mississippi

9. How long did you serve? Give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge Enlisted in Spring of 1862 - Discharged in July 1865

10. What was the letter of your company, number of battalion, regiment or battery? Co. I. 31st Miss 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? Infantry

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

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. H. Cooper

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *9* day of *July*, 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 *D. M. Allison & L. D. Etheredge*, who are personally

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

J. H. Cooper, the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the

said *J. H. Cooper* 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)

D. M. Allison

(Signature of Witness)

L. D. Etheredge

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *18* day of *July*, 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 per-

sonally acquainted with the foregoing applicant, and that the facts set forth and statements made in his application

EX PARTE

IN RE APPLICANT FOR CONFEDERATE PENSION

J. H. Clapp

Under Act March 26, 1909, pending

Henderson

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

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

Answers and depositions of (1)

E. Strickland

to the accompanying interrogations (2)

propounded to *him* in the above entitled cause taken before (3)

in accordance with the accompanying (7)

To the first interrogatory the said

Witness, answers

(1) *E. Strickland, my age is 69 years
living with my son, Empress R# 3, Webster
County Mississippi*

(2) *I did up till the time he left
this country*

(3) *For 60 years, Webster County
Mississippi,*

(4) *I do.*

(5) *I do, he enlisted in the year, 1862
in Co "I" 31 Regiment, of Mississippi
in Webster Co., served from date of enlisting
until the war closed*

(6) *He was a private soldier*

(TX)

(7) *I do not,*

Cross, Interrogatories.

I was with him.

There was but the one J. H. Cooper
in said Co. & Regiment.

I am certain.

I do

If he did, I know nothing of same
and am certain he did not.

E. Strickland

The above answers are responsive
to interrogatories of corresponding
number, herewith attached.

J. N. Cassell, Circuit Clerk
Webster County, Miss.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 18 day of June, 1913

J. W. Canale
Circuit Clerk

THE STATE OF Mississippi
County of Webster

I, J. W. Canale Circuit Clerk of
(Here give name and official character of officer before whom taken.)

said County & State do hereby certify that E. O. Strickland
and is are personally known to me to be credible citizens of said
County and State, and that the foregoing answers of E. O. Strickland
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 18 day of June, 1913

(L. S.)

J. W. Canale
Circuit Clerk

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

File No. _____

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

EX PARTE

Applicant for Confederate Pension

DEPOSITION
OF

Witness for Applicant.

Filed _____ day

of _____, 1913

_____, Clerk.

By _____, Deputy.

Fee for Taking Deposition, \$ _____

VON BOECKMANN-JONES COMPANY, PRINTERS, AUSTIN, TEXAS.



- (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

IN RE APPLICANT FOR CONFEDERATE PENSION

Under Act March 26, 1909, pending

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

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

Answers and depositions of (1)

I C Summell, my age is 72 years, my P O address is Wilkall, R.F.D.#1, Mississippi, Webster County

to the accompanying interrogations (2)

propounded to him in the above entitled cause taken before (3)

in accordance with the accompanying (7)

To the first interrogatory the said

Witness, answers

(1) I C Summell, my age is 72 years, and my P O address is Wilkall R.F.D.#1, Webster County, Mississippi.

(2) I did

(3) 30 or 35 years, about 1858,

(4) I do.

(5) Co. "I", 31, Mississippi Regiment, I don't, Choctaw (now Webster County, Mississippi, my memory from the 17 day of March, 1862, until Close of War.

(6) No

(7) I do not

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Cross interrogatories.

(1) I was with him, no other L & Cooper served in said Company and Regiment.

(2) I am.

(3) He served regularly until the "Peach Tree Creek" fight in which he was wounded. I do not know whether or not he served after that time.

(4) He did not.

J. J. Scindall

The above and foregoing Depositions are responsive to corresponding interrogatories as numbered herewith.

J. J. Scindall
Circuit Clerk
Hester Co., Miss.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 19 day of June, 1913

J. H. Canale
Circuit Clerk,

THE STATE OF Mississippi
County of Webster
clerk of said county & state

I, J. H. Canale, Circuit
(Here give name and official character of officer before whom taken.)

do hereby certify that A. C. Swindell
and is are personally known to me to be credible citizens of said
County and State, and that the foregoing answers of A. C. Swindell
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 19 day of June, 1913
(L. S.) J. H. Canale
Circuit Clerk

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File No. _____

In Henderson County, Texas.
Before the Honorable County Judge of said County.

EX PARTE

J. H. Canale

Applicant for Confederate Pension

DEPOSITION
OF

A. C. Swindell

Witness for Applicant.

Filed _____ day

of _____, 1913

_____, Clerk.

By _____, Deputy.

Fee for Taking Deposition, \$ _____

VON BOECKMANN-JONES COMPANY, PRINTERS, AUSTIN, TEXAS



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EX PARTE

J. H. Cooper
Applicant for Confederate Pension.

Pending in *Hudson* 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 evidence
upon the hearing of applicant's claim for pension in behalf of applicant; said testimony is material and indispensable
to applicant in furnishing the required proof of _____ claim for a pension under the Act of March 26, 1909, the applica-
tion for which is now pending before the Honorable County Judge, and the facts necessary and required to be proven
under the provisions of said act, applicant believes can not be proven by any witness _____ residing in the County of
_____ and State of Texas, of which _____ is a bona fide resident.

(Applicant) Attorney _____ for Applicant.

Direct Interrogatories to be Propounded to the Witness _____.

E. Shierman

- INT. 1. What is your name? Age? Present place of residence and postoffice address?
INT. 2. Do you personally know, or did you at any time know *J. H. Cooper* who
_____ is an applicant for pension under Act of March 26, 1909?
INT. 3. How long had you known the said *J. H. Cooper*
and when and where did you first know him?
INT. 4. Do you personally know that the said *J. H. Cooper*
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. H. Cooper*
enlisted and served in the Confederate army? When? Where? And the time of service? If you person-
ally 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. H. Cooper*
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. H. Cooper* 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.

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To be Propounded to *E. Shierman*

CROSS INTERROGATORY 1. If, in answer to the foregoing direct interrogatories, you have stated that you personally
know or did know said *J. H. Cooper* 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. H. Cooper* 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. H. Cooper* serving in the same company or regiment, or special
service in which you say the said *J. H. Cooper* enlisted, if you have stated that said
J. H. Cooper 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. H. Cooper
applicant serving in the same command, or the special service to which he was assigned?

If you say that you so know other soldiers or sailors of the same name of J. H. Cooper
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. H. Cooper
is the identical person serving as testified by you?

CROSS INT. 3. Do you know whether or not the said J. H. Cooper
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. H. Cooper
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. W. 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.

County Judge, C. W. Owen County, Texas.

(Applicant) Attorney.....for Applicant.

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

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Witnesses.

EX PARTE

J. H. Cooper
Applicant for Confederate Pension.

Pending in *C. H. Cooper* County,
Texas, before the Honorable County Judge of said
County.

The Honorable County Judge of _____ County, Texas,
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Court of said County and State, for a commission to take the depositions of _____
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upon the hearing of applicant's claim for pension in behalf of applicant; said testimony is material and indispensable
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tion for which is now pending before the Honorable County Judge, and the facts necessary and required to be proven
under the provisions of said act, applicant believes can not be proven by any witness _____ residing in the County of
_____ and State of Texas, of which _____ is a bona fide resident.

(Applicant) Attorney _____ for Applicant.

Direct Interrogatories to be Propounded to the Witness _____.

D. C. Scudder

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- INT. 2. Do you personally know, or did you at any time know *J. H. Cooper* who
_____ is an applicant for pension under Act of March 26, 1909?
- INT. 3. How long had you known the said *J. H. Cooper*
and when and where did you first know him?
- INT. 4. Do you personally know that the said *J. H. Cooper*
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. H. Cooper*
enlisted and served in the Confederate army? When? Where? And the time of service? If you person-
ally 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. H. Cooper*
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. H. Cooper* 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.

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To be Propounded to *D. C. Scudder*

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know or did know said *J. H. Cooper* 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. H. Cooper* 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. H. Cooper* serving in the same company or regiment, or special
service in which you say the said *J. H. Cooper* enlisted, if you have stated that said
J. H. Cooper 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. K. Cooper
 applicant serving in the same command, or the special service to which he was assigned?
 If you say that you so know other soldiers or sailors of the same name of J. K. Cooper
 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. K. Cooper
 is the identical person serving as testified by you?
 CROSS INT. 3. Do you know whether or not the said J. K. Cooper
 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. K. Cooper
 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 as may be attached hereto.

C. D. Owen
 County Judge Henderson County, Texas.
S. H. C. 40. p. 59
 (Applicant) Attorney for Applicant.

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.

VEN. BOOKMAN, JAMES E. CO., ASTORIA, OREGON.



GEO. W. KYSER, 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. H. Cropper who is
reported to have enlisted in Company D, Regiment 31st Miss Infantry
in service of the Confederate States Army.

Purpose: The _____ person above named is an applicant for a Confederate pension
granted by the State, and I desire to verify his proof of service.

Very respectfully,

Geo. W. Kyser 

Commissioner of Pensions.

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ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
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WAR DEPARTMENT,

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

2069516 WASHINGTON, August 19, 1913.

Respectfully returned to the
Commissioner of Pensions,
State of Texas, Austin.

The records show that James H. Cooper, private, Company I, 31st Mississippi Infantry, C. S. A., enlisted March 8, 1862. On the company roll covering the period from August 31, 1864, to February 28, 1865, last on file, he was reported: "Absent with leave wounded since July 20/64." No later record of him has been found.

H. O. Keistand
Adjutant General.

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The State of Mississippi)

Webster County.)

Before me the undersigned authority in and for the State and County Aforesaid, this day personally appeared, D.C. Swindoll, who certify is a creditable citizen and worthy of belief and who being by me duly sworn on oath say that we are well acquainted with James Cooper now a citizen of Texas and that we know that the said James Cooper was a member of Company D. 31st, Mississippi volunteers, commanded by Col. ~~James~~ in the late civil war that affiant served in the same company with the said Cooper, about three years until the close of the war and that the said Cooper made a true and faithful soldier.

D. C. Swindoll

E. Stripland

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 27th, day of May A.D. 1913.

L. P. Ginter

E. J. Gwin

Chancery Clerk.

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