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FORM NO. 1—AMENDED.  
OCTOBER 1, 1902.

# Confederate Pension Application.

Name of Applicant,

C. S. Coffey  
Harris County,

Post Office Austin

Comptroller's File No. 10264

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 day of

A. D. E. A. Boland  
Chief Pension Clerk.

I hereby assent the within application for pension, this day of

A. D. W. Stephens  
Comptroller.

No Application Rejected by County Judge or County Commissioner's Should be Forwarded to Comptroller.

NOTE—The law provides that pensions can begin only on the first day of April and October of each year.

FORM No. 1. Amended October 1, 1902.

APPLICATION of Indigent Soldier or Sailor of the late Confederacy for pension under the Act of May 12, 1899. Hereafter use no other blank but this.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, }

COUNTY OF Henderson }

To the Honorable County Judge of Henderson County, Texas.

Your petitioner, Charles Coffinell respectfully represents that he is a resident citizen of Henderson County, in the State of Texas, and that he makes this application for the purpose of obtaining a pension 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 Charles Coffinell
- Q. What is your age? Answer 68 years
- Q. In what County do you reside? Answer Henderson
- Q. How long have you resided in said County and what is your post office address? Answer About 5 years, Post office address, Eustace, Tex.
- Q. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate Pension Law heretofore, and been rejected? If so, state when and where. Answer Yes
- Q. What is your occupation if able to engage in one? Answer Farming
- Q. What is your physical condition? Answer Feeble
- Q. If your physical condition is such that you are unable by your own labor to earn a support, state what caused such disability. Answer Gunshot wound in right shoulder, and natural infirmity of age
- Q. In what State was your command originally organized? Answer Alabama
- Q. How long did you serve? Give date of enlistment and discharge. Answer Near 4 years. Enlisted Sept. 1861. discharged May 1865
- Q. What was the name or letter of your company and name or number of your regiment? Answer Company "13" 58th Ala. Reg.
- Q. State whether you served in the infantry, artillery, cavalry, or the navy. Answer Infantry
- 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 received. Answer No
- 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 No real property. Pair of mules and wagon valued \$175.00. 4 head cattle valued 25.00

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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 estate has your wife in her own right, real and personal, and what is its value? Answer None

Q. What income, if any, do you receive? Answer None some what <sup>to do</sup> room am able

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 No

Q. Did you 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

Q. If you originally enlisted in the Confederate service from the State of Texas, were you at the date of the passage of this act, a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas? Answer

Wherefore your petitioner prays that his application for pension be approved and that such other proceedings be had in the premises as are required by law.

(Signature of Applicant)

Charles X. Coppinell

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 31 day of December A. D. 1903

W. F. Freeman

(SEAL)

County Judge Henderson County, Texas.

# AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES.

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Henderson

Before me W. F. Freeman

County Judge of Henderson County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared

J. S. Coppinell

who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who being by me duly sworn on oath, state that they personally know Charles Coppinell the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said Charles Coppinell is unable to support himself by labor of any sort.

(Signature of Witness)

J. S. Coppinell

(Signature of Witness)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 31 day of December A. D. 1903

W. F. Freeman

(SEAL)

County Judge Henderson County, Texas.



## AFFIDAVIT OF PHYSICIAN.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ Before me \_\_\_\_\_  
County Judge of \_\_\_\_\_ County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, who is a reputable practicing physician of this County, who being by me duly sworn on oath, states that he has carefully and thoroughly examined Charles Coffin applicant for a pension, and finds him laboring under the following disabilities which render him unable to labor at any work or calling sufficient to earn a support for himself: Wound on right shoulder

(Signature of Physician)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 31 day of December A. D. 1903

(SEAL)

County Judge Henderson County, State of Texas.

## CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY JUDGE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Henderson } I, J. V. Freeman  
County Judge of Henderson County, State of Texas, do hereby certify that on the 31  
day of December A. D. 1903, before me came on to be heard the application  
of Charles Coffin 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, and that the foregoing affidavit of Doctor W. A. French who is a reputable practicing physician of this county, was made before me. I also certify that the said applicant Charles Coffin is not an inmate of the Texas Confederate Home, nor otherwise disqualified under the provision of Section 12, of the Confederate Pension Law. I further certify that after considering all the proceedings had before me relative to the said application for a pension by the said Charles Coffin I find the said applicant is lawfully entitled to the pension provided by the Confederate Pension Law of this State, and I hereby approve said application.

Witness my hand and seal of office at Athens this 31  
day of December A. D. 1903

(SEAL)

County Judge Henderson County, State of Texas.

## CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Henderson } We, the undersigned members of the Commissioners Court of  
Henderson County, Texas, hereby certify that the foregoing application of Charles  
Coffin for a pension, together with the proof in support thereof, was duly submitted  
by Hon. J. V. Freeman County Judge of this Henderson  
County, to the Commissioners of this Henderson County, at a regular term thereof on the 12  
day of February A. D. 1904, 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 Athens this 12  
day of Feb A. D. 1904

(Signature of Commissioners)

(SEAL)

W. A. French  
H. A. Mitchell  
T. P. Warner

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## Comptroller's Department,

State of Texas,

Austin. *March 16. 1904*J. W. STEPHENS, COMPTROLLER.  
JOHN T. SMITH, CHIEF CLERK.

Chief of Record and Pensions,

War Department,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to request the military record of

*C. S. Coppell* who is reported to have enlisted in  
Company *B*, *58<sup>th</sup>* Regiment, *Alabama Infantry*  
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,

*J. W. Stephens*  
Comptroller.





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WAR DEPARTMENT

Austin, Tex.

Mar. 16, '04

C. S. Copperell,

Co. B 58 Ala. Inf. U. S. A.

J. W. Stephens, Compt. re-  
quests military record of  
above named

Address: "Chief of the Record and Pension Office,  
War Department, Washington, D. C."

Record and Pension Office,

WAR DEPARTMENT,

Washington, Mar. 21, 1904.

Respectfully returned to

The Comptroller,  
State of Texas,  
Austin.

The records show that Charles  
S. Copperell, private Company B, 58th  
Regiment Alabama Infantry, Confed-  
erate States Army enlisted December  
28, 1861, to serve during the war. On  
the muster roll of said company  
for January and February, 1864, (the  
only roll on file), he is reported  
on extra duty, in ambulance corps.  
No later record of him has been found.

BY AUTHORITY OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

*J. W. Stephens*  
Chief, Record and Pension Office.

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EX PARTE

*Charles Coffrell*  
Applicant for Confederate Pension.

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

The Honorable County Judge of *Henderson* 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 *James Page*  
and *Sarah J. Coffrell* who reside in the County of *Bain* in  
the State of *Texas* 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 to his claim  
for a pension under the Act of May 12, 1899, the application 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 *Henderson* and State of Texas, of which he is a bona fide resident.

*Charles Coffrell*  
(Applicant's) Attorney for Applicant.

Direct Interrogatories to be propounded to the Witness.

*James Page 39 years Sulphur Springs, B.H.S. No 7*  
*Hopkins Co Texas*

- 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 *Charles Coffrell* who  
is an applicant for pension under Act of May 12, 1899?  
INT. 3. How long have you known the said *Charles Coffrell* since *Jan 1864* applicant for pension  
and when and where did you first know him? *This was the first acquaintance & had*  
INT. 4. Do you personally know that the said *Charles Coffrell* applicant for pension  
enlisted in the service of the Confederacy, and performed the duties of a soldier or sailor?  
INT. 5. Do you personally know in what company and regiment the said *Charles Coffrell*  
applicant, enlisted and served in the Confederate army? When? Where? And the time of service? If you personally  
knew and so have stated that he enlisted and served in the Confederate army, then state: When? Where? And how  
long he so served? *from 1864 until the close of the civil war*  
INT. 6. Do you further know that *Charles Coffrell* the said  
applicant for pension, is unable to support himself by labor of any sort?

*So far as I know*  
*he is unable to make a support by manual*  
*labor*  *sworn to and subscribed before me*  
*this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of Jan'y 1904.* *J. R. Ferguson J.P.*  
*of Hopkins County Texas*

CROSS INTERROGATORIES.

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To be Propounded to

*Waived*

CROSS INTERROGATORY 1. If, in answer to the foregoing direct interrogatories, you have stated that you personally know  
or did know said applicant, 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 in which applicant 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 you knew of any other soldier or  
sailor by the name of ..... serving in the same company  
or regiment in which you say the said applicant ..... enlisted  
or if you have stated that said applicant enlisted and served in the navy of the Confederacy, then state whether or not you know



any other sailor of the same name as said.....applicant,  
serving in the same command?

If you say that you so knew other soldiers or sailors of the same name of applicant's, 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.....applicant  
for pension, is the identical person serving as testified by you?

Cross INT. 3. If you have answered Direct Interrogatory No. 6 in the affirmative, then please state your source of  
knowledge or information? Is not this your answer simply based on conjecture?

Cross INT. 4. Do you know whether or not the said.....applicant  
for pension, ever deserted the service in the Confederate army or navy?

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THE STATE OF TEXAS, )  
County of Henderson )  
I, W. H. Freeman....., 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.

W. H. Freeman  
County Judge Henderson County, Texas.  
Charles D. Coffey  
(Applicant) Attorney.....for Applicant.

Application for Confederate  
Pension.  
In Re  
IN COMMISSIONERS COURT,  
Henderson County, Texas,  
Pending before County Judge of said County.  
Ex Parte  
Charles D. Coffey  
Applicant.  
INTERROGATORIES  
PROPOUNDED TO  
Witnesses.  
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Ex parte  
C. S. Coffnell

Applicant for Pension

- 1<sup>st</sup> My name is Sarah J. Coffnell, my age 63 years
- I reside in Henderson County, Post office, Euston.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> I personally know C. S. Coffnell.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> I have known C. S. Coffnell 46 years. First  
knew him in Fayette county, Ala.
- 4<sup>th</sup> I personally know that the said C. S. Coffnell  
enlisted in the Confederate service and performed  
the duties of a soldier
- 5<sup>th</sup> I personally know that the said C. S. Coffnell  
enlisted in Co. "B", 58<sup>th</sup> Ala Reg. Infantry  
Enlisted Sept 1861 in Ala. and served  
about 4 years
- 6<sup>th</sup> I personally know that the said C. S. Coffnell  
is unable to support himself by labor of  
any sort.

I J. L. Coffnell

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 25<sup>th</sup> day of Jan 1904

W. H. Fauman, County Judge  
Henderson County Texas

Ex parte  
C. S. Coppell  
applicant for Compensat  
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