

FORM B.

**WIDOW'S APPLICATION
FOR A PENSION**

The Comptroller of Public Accounts reserves the right to call for additional testimony if he deems it necessary.

Name of Applicant.

Mary Dunton
Henderson County.

R. F. D. or Street No.

Postoffice *Malakoff, Tex.*

Filed *Dec. 19, 1930.*

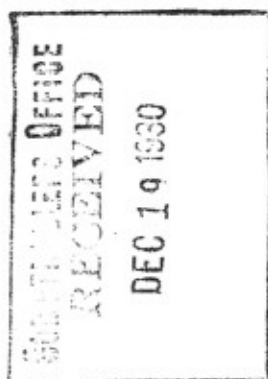
Approved

Pension allowed from

Rejected *January 12th, 1932.*

Geo. Sheppard
Comptroller of Public Accounts.

Failure to prove service.



Widow's Application for Confederate Pension

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Henderson

I, Mrs. Mary Duntou do hereby make application for a pension, pursuant to the provisions of the First Section of Title 109, Revised Civil Statutes, 1925, providing for Confederate Pension, amended by Chapter 95, General Laws of the Fortieth Legislature, as amended by Senate Bill 287, Acts of the Regular Session of the Forty-first Legislature of the State of Texas, approved March 5, 1929, on the following ground:

I am a widow of W. H. Duntou deceased, who departed this life on the 13 day of May, A. D. 1894, in the county of Navarro 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 ninth day of August, A. D. 1860, in the county of Davison in the State of Illinois.

My husband, the said W. H. Duntou, enlisted and served in the military service of the Confederate States during the war between the States of the United States and he did not desert the Confederate service. I have been a resident of the State of Texas since prior to January 1, A. D. 1920, 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 above 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 \$2000; nor do I receive any aid or pension from any other State of the United States, and I do further state that the answers given to the following questions are true:

1. What is your age, and date of birth? May 4 1837
2. Where were you born? Nashville Tennessee
3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? 49 years
4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? 19 years
5. What is your postoffice address? Mulsoff Texas
6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law and been rejected? No
If rejected, state when and where ✓
7. Did your husband draw a pension? No If so, give his file number ✓
8. Give, if possible, the postoffice address of your deceased husband at the time of his enlistment Nashville Tennessee
9. What is your husband's full name? William Henry Duntou
10. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? Tennessee
11. How long did your husband serve unknown If known to you, give date of enlistment and discharge unknown until close of war
12. What was the name or letter of the company, or number of the regiment 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. (If applicant's husband was a pensioner give his file number, which is evidence sufficient for proof of service.) unknown

13. 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.

Was Volunteer

TX

14. Do you own any property other than that rendered for taxes in your county? If so, state value of same and county where located none

15. Have you transferred to another 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 required by law.

(Signature of Applicant)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15 day of August A. D. 1930

[Seal]

County Judge Henderson County, Texas.

*Where applicant has remarried it is necessary that she state facts covering particulars of last marriage, date, to whom married, and date of first husband's death. She must also state that she is now a widow.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Hudson

Before me, C. B. Baker, County Judge of Hudson County,
State of Texas, on this day personally appeared H. L. Duggan and
Gladys Curtis, who are personally known to me to be credible citi-
zens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know that Mrs. Mary
Dunton, applicant for a pension as the widow of William Henry Dunton
deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of William Henry Dunton deceased; that they personally
know that she has not remarried since the death of her husband, for whose services in the army she claims
a pension, and that they have no interest in this claim.*

(Signature of Witness) H. L. Duggan

(Signature of Witness) Gladys Curtis

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15 day of December, A. D. 1930.

[Seal.]

County Judge Hudson County, Texas.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Hudson

Before me, C. B. Baker, County Judge of _____ County,
State of Texas, on this day personally appeared Ray Weir
Gladys Curtis, who are personally known to me to be creditable citi-
zens, 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 William Henry Dunton
has been a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas since prior to January 1, A. D. 1920, and that they
have no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness) Ray Weir

(Signature of Witness) Gladys Curtis

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15 day of December, A. D. 1930.

[Seal.]

County Judge Hudson 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 other 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 are personally known to me to be creditable witnesses, 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 applicant's husband in the Confederate Army: (Witnesses must state fully the source of their knowledge of service of applicant's husband) _____

(Signature of Witness) _____

(Signature of Witness) _____

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this _____ day of _____, A. D. 19 _____

[Seal.]

County Judge _____ County, Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR

I, Geo. H. Hood, State and County Assessor in the County of Henderson State of Texas, do certify that Mrs. Mary Hunter whose name is signed to the foregoing application for a pension is charged on the tax rolls of said county with a homestead of the value of does not have any property Dollars, and, in addition to homestead, of other property, real or personal, or both, of the value of none at all Dollars.

Given under my hand, this 16th day of December, A. D. 1930

Geo. H. Hood
State and County Assessor.



WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

IN REPLY
REFER TO

O.R.D.

J.A.M.

WASHINGTON

January 28, 1931.

Respectfully returned to

FEB 19 1931

Geo H. Bridges
COMPTROLLER

Mrs. W. H. Dunton,
Malakoff, Texas.

The name W. H. Dunton has not been found on the muster rolls on file in this office of any Confederate States Army organization from the State of Tennessee.

It is deemed proper to state, however, that the collection of Confederate States Army records on file in this office is incomplete, and the failure to find the name of any person thereon, is by no means conclusive evidence, that such person did not serve at some period, not covered by the records.

Stamped envelope returned herewith.

1 inclosure.

C. H. Bridges
Major General,
The Adjutant General.
By *NLT*



February 20, 1931.

Mrs. G. W. Urrey,
Box 383,
Malakoff, Texas.

Dear Mrs. Urrey:

Replying to your letter of February 12th, enclosing a report from the War Department, Washington, D. C. forwarded to Mrs. W. H. or Mary Dunton, in reply to her request for the service record of W. H. Dunton as a Confederate soldier, and which report does not identify Mr. Dunton as a member of any military organization of the Confederate States Army.

I am sorry to advise that it will be impossible to grant your Mothers pension under the present law unless she can make proof of service of her deceased husband. This proof does not have to be made by a party who served with the soldier, it may be made by any one who has personal knowledge of his service. However, a party testifying to the service of a Confederate soldier must give the source of their knowledge, telling what they saw the soldier do or what act of his connected with any military organization of the Confederate States Army caused them to conclude he was performing the duty of a Confederate soldier.

Yours very truly,

JHT:E.

State Comptroller of Public
Accounts.



Maestros Type
Feb - 1949
Hon. Geo. H. Shuford
Austin Texas -

Dear Sir:
I am enclosing a
letter from Washington
DC. Please let me
know if there is any
thing further I can
do to help establish
my mother's claim.
Mother feels she is
due the pension but I
am at a loss to know
what to do next -

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Please advise me
and greatly oblige
Yours sincerely
Mrs. Ed. Wray -

Box #383
Maestros Type -

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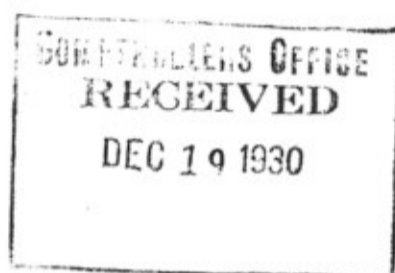
Leo H. Shepard
COMPTROLLER

Waco Tex
Dec 16 1830
Hon J. A. Shepherd
Dear Mr Shepherd

I am writing you
Mary Weston is filing
applications for Pension.
She says at the time she
was declared her husband
W. A. Weston was in business
for himself in Nashville
Tenn. she says never in
in very good health so he
thought a substitute money
grantee for her, ^{IX}
after she was had been going
on for some time and

more soldiers were killed
told of experience so
that he would run
be a conscript so he
refused and he
with his family and
some a slave and
Mary full of provisions
medicine & clothing and
left Nashville with
the army. He said
he served with the
army and they are
killed. Nashville lost
then she tried to find
some of the men that
with her husband but
they were all dead ^{IX}

Should you not
 for the desired
 first three let
 me know how it
 can be found and
 may thank you
 M. Lee M. Lee
 M. Lee



Dec. 20, 1930.

Mrs. Geo. W. Urrey,
Malakoff, Texas.

Dear Mrs. Urrey:

Replying to your letter of December 16th to which you attached an application for pension executed by your mother, Mrs. Mary Dunton.

You are advised that before your application may be approved, it will be necessary that Mrs. Dunton make proof of the service record of her deceased husband, W. H. Dunton, as a Confederate soldier.

The requirement of the law is that such proof may be made by the testimony of one credible witness who personally knows the party belonged to the army and rendered the service claimed or it may be proven by documents or other evidence that she may be able to furnish. However, a witness in testifying to the service record of a Confederate soldier is required always to give the source of his or her knowledge.

Yours very truly,

STATE COMPTROLLER
OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

JHT/b



T. A. BARTLETT SR.

DEALER IN

STAPLE AND FANCY GROCERIES, FEED, HARDWARE, ETC.

MALAKOFF, TEXAS

Dec-15th 1930

Hon. J. M. Edwards
Austin Texas

Dear Sir and friend:-

Mrs Mary Duntton (My second Wifes Mother)
has made application for a Confederate Pension
Her and her husband William H. Duntton
lived in Nashville Tenn. when War was declared
between the States in 1861. Mr Duntton was not
in very good health so he employed Monroe Graham (Col.)
for his substitute in the army paying him \$1,000.00

After the war had been going on about
a year or so there was some talk of conscripting
for more men and Mr Duntton said he would
never be conscripted so he and Arch Lawrence
taken a good team and wagon full of provisions
medicine and clothes and left Nashville Tenn.
with the army about the time Hood fortified
Nashvill against the Union army.

Mr Duntton owned a Wholesale and Retail
Grocery and Whiskey Store when he left for
the Army but the Union soldiers soon taken
Nashvill and destroyed over 200 barrels of
whiskey and taken the groceries for the soldiers

When the war closed in 1865 he returned to
Nashvill but every thing he had was
destroyed

Please do all you can to help us in
securing a pension.

your friend

Geo W. Urrey

