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**DEAD**

FORM A.

## Soldier's Application for a Pension

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

6-27-27

Name of Applicant.

I. G. Graham  
Henderson

County.

Postoffice Athens T. &  
RR #5

Filed

Approved

Pension allowed from

Rejected

Commissioner of Pensions.

## For Use of Soldiers Who Are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of Henderson

I, J. B. Grisham 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 I surrendered at Selma 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 whatsoever 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? 79 years
2. Where were you born? In Lawrence Co Tenn
3. How long have you resided in Texas? 27 years
4. In what county do you reside? Henderson
5. How long have you resided in said county, and what is your postoffice address? I have resided in Henderson Co 16 years. - Post office: Athens, Tenn # 5
6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law and been rejected? If rejected, state when and where. Have never applied
7. What is your occupation, if able to engage in one? Farming What is your physical condition? Fair
8. In what State was the command in which you served organized? In Miss
9. How long did you serve? Give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge. 4 years about
10. What was the letter of your company, number of battalion, regiment or battery? Co B - 32<sup>nd</sup> Lauery's Brigade Clackam's division  
Give the name of your colonel, lieutenant-colonel and major Col. Tyeon. Lauery was Major
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

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

3d Lieutenant Co. B.

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. What is the assessed value of your home, if you own a home?

Eight Hundred

Dollars

16. What is the assessed value of your other property?

Four Hundred

Twenty-Five Dollars.

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

(Signature of Applicant.)

J. G. Brisham

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 11 day of July, A. D. 1915

C. D. Owen

[Seal.]

County Judge Henderson County, Texas.

### AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of \_\_\_\_\_

Before me

C. D. Owen

County Judge of

Henderson

County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared

J. B. Spencer

C. A. Spencer

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

J. G. Brisham, the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the

said J. G. Brisham 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)

J. B. Spencer

(Signature of Witness)

C. A. Spencer

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 19 day of March, A. D. 1915

C. D. Owen

[Seal.]

County Judge Henderson 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 are correct and true, to the best of their knowledge and belief, and that they have no interest in his claim, and said applicant's habits are good and free from dishonor. And..... further make oath to the following facts touching the applicant's service in the Confederate Army: (State fully your source of knowledge.)

(Signature of Witness)\_\_\_\_\_

(Signature of Witness)\_\_\_\_\_

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

[Seal.]

County Judge.....County, Texas.

# CERTIFICATE OF STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR

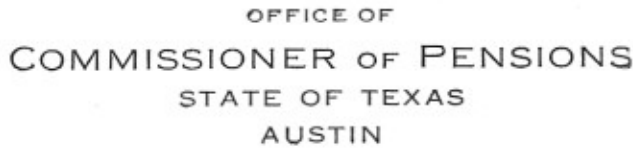
I, D. F. Henry, State and County Assessor in the County of Kenderson,  
State of Texas, do certify that J. B. Grisham, or his wife, or his trustee,  
or trustee for his wife, whose name is signed to the foregoing application for a pension, under the Act of the  
Thirty-third Legislature, approved April 7, 1913, is charged on the tax rolls of said county with a homestead of  
the value of Eight Hundred Dollars,  
and of other property, real or personal, or both, of the value of Four Hundred Twenty Five  
Dollars.

Given under my hand, this 22 day of March, A. D. 1915

D. F. Henry

State and County Assessor.





*J. C. Jones*  
Commissioner of Pensions.

WAR DEPARTMENT,

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, March 29, 1915.

Respectfully returned to the

Commissioner of Pensions,  
State of Texas, Austin.

The records show that J. G. Grisham (surname also borne as Gresham and as Grissam), private, Company B, 32d Regiment Mississippi Infantry (Colonel Tison and Colonel Lowrey), C.S.A., enlisted March 6, 1862. On the roll for November and December, 1863, he is shown to have been dropped from the rolls, on account of long continued absence, December 17, 1863. His name is not borne on the only subsequent roll of the company on file, that for March and April, 1864, and nothing additional relative to him has been found.



The Adjutant General.



## EX-PARTE

## IN RE APPLICANT FOR CONFEDERATE PENSION

<sup>9/7-1913</sup>  
Under Act March 26, 1909, pending in

Henderson

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

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

Answers and depositions of (1)

J. But Burns Sr -

to the accompanying interrogatories (2) & ~~cross~~ interrogatories  
propounded to him in the above entitled cause taken before (3)

in accordance with the accompanying (7)

To the first interrogatory the said

J. But Burns Sr -

Witness, answers

Ans to Int 1 - J. But Burns Sr age  
83, Brownsville, Brewster County,  
Mississippi

Ans to Int. 2, yes - I knew him well

Ans. to Int 3 - Cannot recollect, about  
50 years, I should say, I knew  
him in this county (Brewster), and  
in old Harrison's county,

Int 4 - Yes, he belonged to the  
same Regiment I did -

Int 5 - He first belonged to Ham's  
Regiment State Militia and was  
afterwards, transferred to the 23rd  
Mississippi Cavalry in the Con-  
federacy, Johnston's Brigade.  
This transfer was made in Miss-  
issippi - I think he served in  
the 23rd Cavalry to the end of the  
war -

Int. 6 - He was just a pri-  
vate and never held a com-  
mission, so far as I know -

Int. 7 - So far as I know he  
was never detailed, as referred  
to in this question -

(TX)

Cross Interrogatories and  
Cross Examination =

X Int 1 - I knew him well before the war, during the war and since the war, up until he left this State. I do not know, nor have I known of any other soldier, or sailor by the name of J. B. Gresham, serving in the 3rd Command -

X Int 2, yes, sir -

X Int 3, yes, so far as I now recollect - my recollection is not as good as it once was, on account of my age -

X Int 4 If he did I never heard of it, and I never knew intimately and think I would never heard of it if he had - I knew him after the war and never heard such report - If he had so deserted and had not had an honorable discharge, I would have heard of it, for I lived in H or S miles of him after the war -

(IX)

- (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.



Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 10 day of March, 1915  
J. S. Burns

THE STATE OF Miss  
COUNTY OF Putnam

Shamney Court do hereby certify that J. S. Burns Sr.  
and J. S. Burns Sr. are personally known to me to be creditable citizens of said  
County and State, and that the foregoing answers of J. S. Burns Sr.  
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) J. S. Burns Sr.

Given under my hand and official seal, this the 10 day of March, 1915  
(L. S.) J. S. Burns  
Clerk of the Shamney Court

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.	
<b>EX-PARTE</b>	
Applicant for Confederate Pension	
<b>DEPOSITION</b>	
of <u>J. S. Burns Sr.</u>	
Witness for Applicant.	
Filed _____ day	
of _____, 191 <u>5</u>	
Clerk.	
By _____, Deputy.	
Fee for Taking Deposition, \$ _____	

## EX-PARTE

*J. G. Grisham*

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

Pending in Henderson 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 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  
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 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 Witness \_\_\_\_\_.

- INT. 1. What is your name? Age? Place of residence and postoffice address?  
J. S. Burrus Sr., age 83, Boonville, Miss.
- INT. 2. Do you personally know, or did you at any time know \_\_\_\_\_ who  
J. G. Grisham  
\_\_\_\_\_ is an applicant for pension under Act of March 26, 1909? yes -
- INT. 3. How long had you known the said \_\_\_\_\_  
J. G. Grisham  
and when and where did you first know him? J. G. Grisham
- INT. 4. Do you personally know that the said \_\_\_\_\_  
J. G. Grisham  
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. G. Grisham  
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. G. Grisham  
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 know further if \_\_\_\_\_  
J. G. Grisham  
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

(TX)

To be propounded to \_\_\_\_\_

CROSS INTERROGATORY 1. If, in answer to the foregoing direct interrogatories, you have stated that you person-  
ally know or did know said \_\_\_\_\_ 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 \_\_\_\_\_ 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 knew of any other soldier or  
sailor by the name of \_\_\_\_\_ serving in the same company or regiment, or special  
service in which you say the said \_\_\_\_\_ enlisted, if you have stated that said  
\_\_\_\_\_ 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

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

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

is the identical person serving as testified by you?

CROSS INT. 3. Do you know whether or not the said.

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

deserted his command, or voluntarily abandoned his post of duty or the service during said war?

THE STATE OF TEXAS)

COUNTY OF.

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.

County Judge Stender County, Texas.

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

In Fe

## 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,**

C. D. OWEN  
COUNTY JUDGE HENDERSON COUNTY  
ATHENS, TEXAS

COUNTY OF HENDERSON

STATE OF TEXAS.

Before me, C. D. Owen, County Judge of Henderson ~~County~~  
County, Texas, this day personally appeared I. G. Grisham who, being  
by me, duly sworn, deposes and says that he has <sup>been</sup> diligent in  
trying to obtain two witnesses to his service as a Confederate  
soldier and has been unable to but one. He further says he does  
not <sup>know</sup> the address of any other living witness to his service;  
wherefore he prays the Honorable Commissioner of Pensions to  
grant him a pension on the testimony herewith submitted.

THIS the 19th. day of March, 1915.

I. G. Grisham

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this the 19 day of March, 1915.

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



# APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Henderson } Frankie Gresham

do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late L. G. Gresham, who was a pensioner of the State of Texas, and whose file number was 30916 and whose original county was Henderson

The said pensioner L. G. Gresham, died on the 5 day of June, 1927, in the town of \_\_\_\_\_

County of Henderson, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of his home who was related to the pensioner as \_\_\_\_\_

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 L. G. Gresham

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) Daughter that my postoffice address is \_\_\_\_\_

Street or R. F. D. Box #5  
City Athens State Texas

Sworn to before me this 11 day of June, 1927

Signed Frankie Gresham  
Yvonne McCallie

Notary Public in and for Henderson State of Texas.

Co Judge

## CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, \_\_\_\_\_, do certify that I am undertaker in the town of \_\_\_\_\_ County of \_\_\_\_\_, State of \_\_\_\_\_, that I had charge of the body of \_\_\_\_\_, who died in the town of \_\_\_\_\_, County of \_\_\_\_\_, State of \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1927. That said body was prepared for burial by me on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1927 and that I am of the opinion that warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said \_\_\_\_\_ who makes the foregoing application.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Undertaker.

## CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, P. L. LaRue, do certify that I am a practicing physician, and that I attended L. G. Gresham in his last illness, and am of the opinion that his ailments were senile debility with acute heart dilatation of heart

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 P. L. LaRue (IX)  
Physician's Address Euskara, Texas

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



