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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.

Name of Applicant.

*W. S. Stays*

*Benderson* County.

Postoffice *Atkins*

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Pension allowed from \_\_\_\_\_

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Commissioner of Pensions.

For Use of Soldiers Who Are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of Henderson

I, W. S. Kay 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 Paroled at Meridian Miss 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? 68 years
2. Where were you born? In Sumpter Co, Ala
3. How long have you resided in Texas? 40 years
4. In what county do you reside? Henderson Co
5. How long have you resided in said county, and what is your postoffice address? I have resided in Henderson Co, 8 years. My Post-office is: Athens, Tex
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? None 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. About 2 years. <sup>1862</sup> <sup>1864</sup> <sup>1865</sup> <sup>1866</sup> <sup>1867</sup> <sup>1868</sup> <sup>1869</sup> <sup>1870</sup> <sup>1871</sup> <sup>1872</sup> <sup>1873</sup> <sup>1874</sup> <sup>1875</sup> <sup>1876</sup> <sup>1877</sup> <sup>1878</sup> <sup>1879</sup> <sup>1880</sup> <sup>1881</sup> <sup>1882</sup> <sup>1883</sup> <sup>1884</sup> <sup>1885</sup> <sup>1886</sup> <sup>1887</sup> <sup>1888</sup> <sup>1889</sup> <sup>1890</sup> <sup>1891</sup> <sup>1892</sup> <sup>1893</sup> <sup>1894</sup> <sup>1895</sup> <sup>1896</sup> <sup>1897</sup> <sup>1898</sup> <sup>1899</sup> <sup>1900</sup> <sup>1901</sup> <sup>1902</sup> <sup>1903</sup> <sup>1904</sup> <sup>1905</sup> <sup>1906</sup> <sup>1907</sup> <sup>1908</sup> <sup>1909</sup> <sup>1910</sup> <sup>1911</sup> <sup>1912</sup> <sup>1913</sup> <sup>1914</sup> <sup>1915</sup> <sup>1916</sup> <sup>1917</sup> <sup>1918</sup> <sup>1919</sup> <sup>1920</sup> <sup>1921</sup> <sup>1922</sup> <sup>1923</sup> 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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. What is the assessed value of your home, if you own a home?.....

*I own no home*

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

*Five hundred 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.)

*W. S. Hays*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13 day of July, A. D. 1915

*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 J. B. Lopez & T. B. Lopez

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

W. S. Hays, the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said W. S. Hays 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. Lopez*

(Signature of Witness)

*T. B. Lopez*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13 day of July, A. D. 1915

*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 Hudson

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

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared C. D. Owen & A. E. Chapin

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 they further make oath to the following facts touching the applicant's service in the Confederate Army: (State fully your source of knowledge.)

Witness: J. C. Dean deposes and says that he & applicant, Hayes were raised in the same county in Miss. that they lived in the same community when the war broke out, but they joined different companies, but Dean says he saw W. A. Hayes at Macon Miss. & at one or two other places during the war and knows personally that W. A. Hayes did belong to the Confederate service & performed the duties of a soldier.  
Witness, A. E. Chapman after being sworn deposes & says that W. A. Hayes belonged to Reginald Company Deming's Regiment. I saw Hayes at Macon Miss. and at other places during the war and I know of my own knowledge that W. A. Hayes was in the Confederate service.

(Signature of Witness) J. C. Dean

(Signature of Witness) A. E. Chapman

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

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

[Seal.]

**CERTIFICATE OF STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR**

I, D. F. Henry State and County Assessor in the County of Henderson State of Texas, do certify that W. A. Hayes, 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 Five thousand Fifty Dollars, and of other property, real or personal, or both, of the value of Fifty Dollars.

Given under my hand, this 21 day of July, A. D. 1915

D. F. Henry  
State and County Assessor.





OFFICE OF  
COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS  
STATE OF TEXAS  
AUSTIN

GEO. W. KYSER, COMMISSIONER

*J. C. Jones*

To the Adjutant General,

War Department,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:—

I have the honor to request the military record of *W. S. Stays* who is reported to have enlisted in Company \_\_\_\_\_, Regiment *Reynolds Co. Heavy Reg.* 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,



*J. C. Jones*  
Commissioner of Pensions.

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**WAR DEPARTMENT,**

**THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27, 1915.

Respectfully returned to the

Commissioner of Pensions,  
State of Texas, Austin.

The organization mentioned within  
has not been identified.

The name W. S. Hays has not been  
found on the rolls, on file in this  
office, of any organization of Texas  
troops in service in the Confederate  
States Army, and no record has been  
found of the capture or parole of  
a man of this name as a member of  
any such organization.

*H. S. Hays*  
The Adjutant General.