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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.

G C Keys

Henderson County.

Post Office

Ar 1 Larue Texas

Filed

Jan 28-1926

Approved

Oct 29-1926

Pension allowed from

Sept 1-1926

Rejected

S. H. Gurrell

Commissioner of Pensions.

E. L. STECK, PRINTING, BOOKBINDING, AUSTIN

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FORM A

694-315-2M

For Use of Soldiers Who are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Henderson

I, G. C. Keys 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 1865 Marshall Texas

(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 whatever 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
2. Where were you born? Bowling Green Ky
3. How long have you resided in Texas? 78 years
4. In what county do you reside? Henderson County
5. How long have you resided in said county, and what is your postoffice address? 48 years,
Larue Texas, R.F.D.#1
6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law and been rejected? If rejected, state when and where no
7. What is your occupation, if able to engage in one? Farming What is your physical condition? not able to work
8. In what State was the command in which you served organized? Texas
9. How long did you serve? Give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge. 1 yr & 2 mo. March 1864
10. What was the letter of your company, number of battalion, regiment or battery? Jameson's regiment &
Capt Rucker's Company Infantry
11. If transferred from one command to another, give time of transfer, name of command and time of service.
no
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? Private
14. If detailed for special service, under the law of conscription, what was the nature of your service and how long did you serve? Guarding prisoners, Tyler, Texas. 1864 to 1865
15. What is the assessed value of your home, if you own a home? 1100.00
16. What is the assessed value of your other property? none
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.) G. C. Keys

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 21 day of December A. D. 1926

[Seal.]

Grover H. Curlee
County Judge Henderson County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of Henderson

Before me Grover H. Curlee, County Judge of Henderson County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared W. Richardson and C. A. Garner

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

G. C. Keys, the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said 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) W. Richardson

(Signature of Witness) C. A. Garner

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 21 day of December A. D. 1926

[Seal.]

Grover H. Curlee
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-

(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. C. Davis, State and County Assessor in the County of Henderson
State of Texas, do certify that J. C. Kuya, 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 Eleven Hundred and no/100 Dollars,
and of other property, real or personal, or both, of the value of Eleven Hundred & no/100
Dollars.

Given under my hand, this 21 day of January A. D. 1926

D. C. Dair's
State and County

State and County Assessor





Comptroller's Department
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 G. C. Rees, who is
reported to have enlisted in Company Rucker
Regiment Samison's
Texas Infantry

in service in the Confederate States Army.

Very respectfully,

Received A. G. O. FEB 1 1926

S. H. G. W. C. C.
Comptroller of State of Texas.



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Address: "The Adjutant General,
War Department, Washington, D. C."

WAR DEPARTMENT.
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON, February 2, 1926.

Respectfully returned to

Comptroller,
State of Texas,
Austin, Texas.

The name G. C. Keys has not been found on the muster rolls of any organization, State of Texas, C.S. Army.

Nor has the organization Rucker's Co., Jamison's Regiment Texas Infantry C.S.A., been identified.

The records show that several men named Rucker served as Captains of Cavalry organizations, State of Texas, C.S. Army.

Robert C. Davis

Major General,
The Adjutant General,

By

Form No. 072-A.G.O.

State of Texas
 County of Henderson
 Before me Groves H.
 Curlee County Judge
 of Henderson County
 Texas. On this day,
 personally appeared,
 Dennis Owen, and
 after being duly sworn
 by me, deposes and
 says as follows:

That I was a
 Confederate soldier
 during the late war
 between the States;
 that I was stationed
 at Tyler, Texas;
 I was in Col. Jamieson's

regiment, Company D,
 Capt. McManus's Company.

Our duty, among
 other things was to
 guard Federal prisoners.
 I personally knew
 G. C. Keyes, and I
 know of my own
 personal knowledge
 that the said, G. C.
 Keyes was a
 Confederate soldier,
 and the said G. C. Keyes
 was in Col. Jamieson's
 Regiment and Capt.
 Rucker's Company.

When I first saw
 G. C. Keyes he was

guarding prisoners in
1863. We continued
in this service
until we were dis-
charged in 1865.

The last time I
saw G. L. Reyes was
about the time
that we were dis-
charged in 1865.

Jimmie Owen

Subscribed and sworn
to before me this the
14th day of April A.D.
1926

Yount Miller
County Judge
Hudson County Texas

COUNTY OF HENDERSON

GROVER H. CURLEE, COUNTY JUDGE

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G. E. REYNOLDS, COMMISSIONER PREC. 2
J. W. McLEOD, COMMISSIONER PREC. 3
W. J. SHUPTRINE, COMMISSIONER PREC. 4

ATHENS, TEXAS

April 14th 1926.

Hon. S. H. Terrell,
Austin, Texas.

Dear sir:-

I am enclosing affidavit of Dennis Owens, supporting the application of G. C. Keys. I sent the affidavit of L. L. Ansley in with his Mr Keys applications and you required further proof.

Hoping that the additional affidavit of Mr Owens will give the information desired.

Yours truly.



Grover H. Curlee
Grover H. Curlee, County Judge,

Henderson County, Texas.

G. C. Keys

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ATHENS, TEXAS

July 19, 1926.

HON. S. M. Terrell,

Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir:-

Some time ago I sent you the application for pension of G. O. Keys, in a few days I sent the supporting affidavits of L. L. Ansley and Dennis Owens. You instructed me that you would pass on the application favorably, if I would get an affidavit from Mr Ansley, setting more fully the service of G. O. Keys. This I tried to do, but Mr Ansley died before I could get his affidavit signed and returned to me.

Mr Keys is very old and will not live very much longer and he needs his pension, and I rather think that it will be impossible for him to find another one of his old comrades.

Please look into his record and see if you cannot pass this old man on the evidence submitted, as there is only a very slight difference in the affidavits of Owens and Ansley. Both of them testifying to the same material facts, as to Mr Keys

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Yours very truly,



Grover H. Curlee, County Judge,
Henderson County, Texas.

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ATHENS, TEXAS

Oct. 20, 1926.

Hon. S. H. Terrell,
Austin, Texas.

Dear sir:-

I am writing to you again in regard to the application of G. C. Keys for a Confederate pension. I am giving you all the information that I can secure in regard to his service.

Col. Jameson's regiment was composed of four companies as follows: Rucker's company organized in Smith County; McManus's Company organized in Henderson County; Grays company organized in Van Zandt County and another company from Rusk County.

Several men who were in Jameson's regiment are now or, have been drawing pensions. I. D. Lewis and Dennis Owens both drew pensions and they were both in Col. Jameson's regiment. If you will look up their records, you will probably find the desired information that would prove this old man is entitled to his pension.

I do not think that I can secure any further affidavits in support of his claim.

Yours truly.

Grover H. Curlee
Grover H. Curlee, County Judge,
Henderson County, Texas.



J D Lewis - Henderson 25673 0

W. Owen " 30191 attains R2

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ATHENS, TEXAS

August 30, 1926.

Hon. S. H. Terrell,

Austin, Texas.

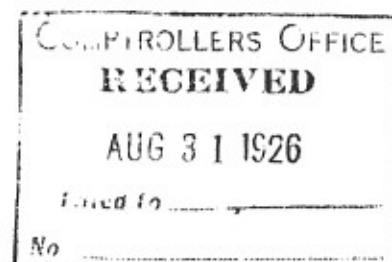
Dear sir:-

I am writing you again in regard to Mr G.C.Keys application for a pension. He had a letter from you in July, in which you stated that you were investigating his application and that you would give him a report by August 15, and for him not to write in the mean time concerning same". This old gentleman is very worthy and I am interested in his behalf, for the reason that he is one of our best citizens and that I know his statements are true.

Hoping to hear from you, I am your truly.


County Judge, Henderson County, Texas.





July 21, 1926.

Hon. Grover H. Curlee,
County Judge,
Athens, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your favor July 19th.

Since the records in Washington fail to show any organization known as Bucker's Co., Jamison's Regiment Texas Infantry it is necessary that additional proof of service of G. C. Keys be submitted or proof be filed showing the Company and Regiment was organized at some point in Texas and rendered service to the Confederacy, in order to corroborate the affidavit of L. L. Ansley, deceased witness.

On receipt of this information the application of Mr. Keys will be given further consideration.

Yours very truly,

KR/w.



C o m p t r o l l e r

August 31, 1926.

Hon. Grover H. Curlee,
County Judge,
Athens, Texas.

Dear Sir:-

Replying to your favor of August 30.

I have no record of having written or advised Mr. G.C. Keys that I would give him a report on his application for Confederate pension on August 15. My last letter in connection with application was addressed to you July 21, advising you that the records in Washington failed to show any organization known as Rucker's Company, Jamison's Regiment, Texas Infantry and on this account it would be necessary for Mr. Keys to file additional proof of his service or that proof be filed showing that such company and regiment was organized at some time during the war in Texas and rendered service to the Confederacy.

When such information has been filed, the application of Mr. Keys will be given further consideration.

Yours very truly,



KR/wpm.

COMPTROLLER*

April 16, 1926

Hon. Grover H. Curlee, County Judge
Athens, Texas

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your favor of April 14th enclosing affidavit of Dennis Owen in support of application of Mr. G. C. Keys for Confederate Pension.

If Mr. Keys will secure a similar affidavit from L. L. Ansley who has previously testified that Mr. Keys was in the service with him, this application will be approved. This affidavit should be in keeping with my request of February 6th, and should show when and where Mr. Ansley first saw Mr. Keys in the service and when and where he last saw him in the service and what portion of the time they were together, if at all.

Yours very truly,

COMPTROLLER



KR:JHR

Feb. 6th, 1926.

Mr. G. C. Keys,
Route #1,
Larue, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Your application for confederate pension cannot be approved unless you submit additional and better proof of your service on account of the following unfavorable report on your military record received from the office of the Adjutant General, War Department, Washington, D.C.

"The name G. C. Keys has not been found on the muster rolls of any organization, State of Texas, C.S. Army. Nor has the organization Bucker's Co., Jamison's Regiment Texas Infantry C.S.A., been identified.

The records show that several men named Rucker served as Captains of Cavalry organizations, State of Texas, C.S. Army."

If you will have Mr. L. L. Ansley and one other witness testify to your service showing when and where they first saw you in the service, where your service was performed and when and where they last saw you in the service, such affidavits will strengthen your application for further consideration.

Yours very truly,

KR/ms

COMPTROLLER.



Oct. 22, 1926

Hon. Grover H. Curlee,
County Judge,
Athens, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your favor of Oct. 9th.

The application of Mr. G. C. Keys has not been approved since he has furnished the evidence of only one witness to his service record, and there is no record of his Company and Regiment on file in Washington.

There is no doubt of the existence of Col. Jameson's Regt. Texas Inf., and records in this office show that several applications have been approved for service in this Regiment, but in each case the affidavit of two witnesses personally knowing of the service rendered by applicant is filed with application.

Mr. W. D. Owen who now resides at Athens, Rte 2, was in McManus's Company and his witnesses are W. J. Gentry, and H. W. Richardson, both members of the same Company.

I. D. Lewis was in Rucker's Company, and his witnesses are J. T. Stewart and W. W. Funderburgh. Mr. Lewis is not now on the rolls.

If Mr. Keys will secure other affidavits and file with his application I will gladly approve same.

Mine very truly,



KR/MJB

Comptroller.

State of Oklahoma

County of Texas.

Before me the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared L.L. Ansley and after being duly sworn by me says; That I was a Confederate soldier during the Civil War; That I was a member of Col. Jamesons regiment and in Capt., Rucker's Company and that during my services in said war I met and knew G.C. Keys who was a member of said Regiment and Company; that among other things it was our duty to guard prisoners. That I know of my own personal knowledge that G.C. Keys was a confederate soldier and that I served with him as Confederate soldiers.

L.L. Ansley

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 13 day of
January A.D. 1926.

My Comm. Exp. Apr 27-'27

Carl H. Hester
Notary Public



Form 742b-S1390-234-6m

COMPTROLLERS OFFICE

APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT FEB 19 1937

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Henderson

I, J. D. Keys, do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late G. C. Keys, who was a pensioner of the State of Texas, and whose file number was 42507 and whose original county was Henderson

The said pensioner G. C. Keys, died on the 10 day of Feb, 1937, in the town of Larue Tex RFD #1 County of Henderson, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of his Home - Daughter lived with him who was related to the pensioner as Daughter

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 G. C. Keys

I further certify that the warrant for the current month has not been cashed by the pensioner, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I am related to the pensioner as Son that my postoffice address is Larue Tex - RFD #1 Street or R. F. D. 2422 City Larue State Texas

Sworn to before me this 18 day of February, 1937 Signed J. D. Keys

Must return before
40 days expiration from
date of pensioners' death

Notary Public in and for Anderson State of Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, John Lehr, do certify that I am undertaker in the town of Archer, County of Henderson, State of Texas that I had charge of the body of G. C. Keys, who died in the town of Larue Tex RFD #1, County of Henderson, State of Texas on the 10 day of Feb, 1937. That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 10 day of Feb, 1937, and that I am of the opinion that warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said J. D. Keys who makes the foregoing application.

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Signed John Lehr Undertaker.

CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, R. H. Hodge, M.D., do certify that I am a practicing physician, and that I attended G. C. Keys in his last illness, and am of the opinion that his ailments were Hypostatic Pneumonia

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.

no fee issued

Signed R. H. Hodge, M.D. Physician's Address Archer Texas

February 12, 1937.

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