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FORM NO. 1—AMENDED

OCTOBER 1, 1902

# CONFEDERATE PENSION APPLICATION

Name of Applicant

*Alfred A. Massengale*  
*Randerson* County,

Post Office *Chillicothe*

Comptroller's File No. 00804

I have carefully examined the within application for pension, together with the proof in support thereof, and I recommend

that the application be.....

this.....day of.....

A. D. ....

*name not on file*  
Chief Pension Clerk.

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

.....A. D. ....

Comptroller.

No Application Rejected by County Judge or County Commissioners 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, Alfred A. Messengale 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 Alfred A. Messengale
- Q. What is your age? Answer 63 years old
- Q. In what County do you reside? Answer Henderson
- Q. How long have you resided in said County and what is your postoffice address? Answer 18 years  
Athens P.O. #4
- Q. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate Pension Law heretofore, and been rejected? If so, state when and where? Answer No
- Q. What is your occupation, if able to engage in one? Answer Farming
- Q. What is your physical condition? Answer Not very good
- 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 Infirmary of age & wound in war
- Q. In what State was your command originally organized? Answer Texas
- Q. How long did you serve? Give date of enlistment and discharge. Answer 4 years  
Enlisted in 1861 & served till close of war
- Q. What was the name or letter of your company and name or number of your regiment? Answer Co. "I" & 20th Texas 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 estate  
have one house, valued at \$4000

- 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 Wife dead, no estate
- Q. What income, if any, do you receive? Answer None
- 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 Yes

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)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 19 day of July

A. D. 1907

[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 M. B. Blades

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

B. A. Tinner + Post Hoeger

who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who being by me duly sworn on oath, state that they personally know A. A. Massengale the above named applicant for a pension,

and that they personally know that the said A. A. Massengale is unable to support himself by labor of any sort.

(Signature of Witness) B. A. Tinner

(Signature of Witness) Post Hoeger

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15 day of Aug

A. D. 1907

(SEAL)

County Judge Henderson County, Texas.

## AFFIDAVIT OF PHYSICIAN.

THE STATE OF TEXAS)

County of Henderson Before me J. B. Blades  
 County Judge of Henderson County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared  
Frederick Parkin, 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  
 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: Chronic Indigestion  
& Partial Paralysis Rheumatism

(Signature of Physician) Frederick Parkin M.D.Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15 day of Aug A. D. 1907

(SEAL)

County Judge Henderson County, Texas.

## CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY JUDGE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS)

County of Henderson I J. B. Blades  
 County Judge of Henderson County, State of Texas, do hereby certify that on the 15  
 day of Aug A. D. 1907, before me came on to be heard the application of  
A. A. Mosseburg 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 Frederick Parkin who is a reputable practicing physician of this county, was made before me. I  
 also certify that the said applicant A. A. Mosseburg, 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 A. A. Mosseburg 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 Arkens this 15  
 day of Aug A. D. 1907

(SEAL)

County Judge Henderson County, 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  
A. A. Mosseburg for a pension, together with the proof in support thereof, was duly submitted  
 by Hon. J. B. Blades County Judge of this Henderson  
 County, to the Commissioners of this Henderson County, at a regular term thereof  
 on the 15 day of Aug A. D. 1907, 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 Arkens this 15  
 day of Aug A. D. 1907

(Signature of Commissioners)

(SEAL)

M. J. Beck  
J. C. Cardwell  
S. G. Nettles

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 1907  
J. W. Massengale  
J. A. Massey J. P. & Ex-officio  
Notary Public for  
Kaufman County Texas

THE STATE OF TEXAS } I, J. A. Massey J. P. & Ex-officio  
COUNTY OF Kaufman } (Here give name and official character of officer before whom taken.)  
N. P. do hereby certify that J. W. Massengale  
and \_\_\_\_\_ are personally known to me to be credible citizens of said  
County and State, and that the foregoing answers of J. W. Massengale

\_\_\_\_\_ 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)

Given under my hand and official seal, this the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 1907  
(L. S.) J. A. Massey J. P. & Ex-officio  
N. P. for Kaufman Co Texas

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 the Commissioners Court

OF

Hudson County, Texas.  
Before the Honorable County Judge of said County.

EX PARTE

J. W. Massengale  
Applicant for Confederate Pension

DEPOSITION  
OF

J. W. Massengale

Witness for Applicant

Filed \_\_\_\_\_ day

of \_\_\_\_\_ 190\_\_\_\_\_

Clerk.

By \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy.

Fee for taking Deposition, \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(TX)

- (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.

## DEPOSITION IN PENSION CLAIMS, WITH CAPTION AND CERTIFICATES.

## EX PARTE

## IN RE APPLICANT FOR CONFEDERATE PENSION

Under Act May 12, 1899, pending in County Commissioners Court of Henderson

Alfred A Massengale

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

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

Answers and depositions of (1) W. Massengale of Scurry

Kaufman County Texas,

to the accompanying interrogations (2) and Cross Ex  
propounded to him in the above entitled cause taken before (3)

in accordance with the accompanying (5) agreement

To the first interrogatory the said W. Massengale

1<sup>st</sup> Witness, answers My age is sixty three years old  
and reside near Scurry Kaufman Texas  
and My P.O is Scurry Texas

2<sup>nd</sup> yes I know him

3 all his life

4 I know he did

5 yes sir he enlisted in <sup>company</sup> in Randle Regiment  
he enlisted some where in Texas dont  
Remember the county and he served about three

6 years  
I do he is not able to work at all

Cross t. 1<sup>st</sup> Interrogatory

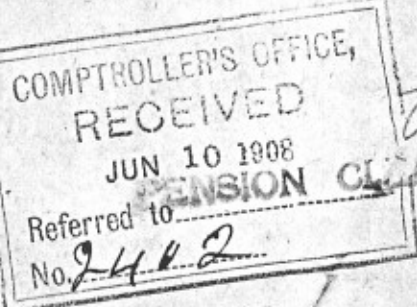
1 Cross the said Alfred A Massengale is my  
Brother and enlisted in the same company  
in I served and I never knew any other  
Alfred A Massengale in the Army.  
I knew no other

2<sup>nd</sup> Cross yes sir I am

3<sup>rd</sup> Cross No sir it is Not

4<sup>th</sup> Cross No sir he did Not

(TX)




June the 8  
1908

C. Children  
Jr  
Mrs J. C. Stephens  
Comptroller Austin  
Tex

I belonged to Capt  
McLamare Co

Company of J. C.  
Massengale gets a  
pension from the  
same Co and if you  
will find him you  
can find me I will  
give you my lieutenant  
Mayes first was Rhye  
& Bill W. & Stearns

I was rite Theris when  
 Randalls was killed  
 Theris mclay taken  
 Command B & T was  
 our Journal if you  
 will go to the Ball  
 of mclanore Co &  
 you will find  
 J W Massengale  
 and a a Massengale  
 in the same Co  
 please answer at once  
 yours Truly  
 a a Massengale   
 Childress Tex

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 23 day of Aug, 1907

W H B Massengale

Ind Terry  
THE STATE OF TEXAS, I, B K McKinley Notary Public  
COUNTY OF Pontac - San Diego (Here give name and official character of officer before whom taken.)

do hereby certify that W H B Massengale

and \_\_\_\_\_ are personally known to me to be credible citizens of said County and State, and that the foregoing answers of W H B Massengale

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) W H B Massengale

Given under my hand and official seal, this the 23 day of August, 1907.

(L. S.)

B K McKinley  
Ada Ind Terry San Diego

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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 the Commissioners Court

OF

San Diego County, Texas.  
Before the Honorable County Judge of said County.

EX PARTE

W H B Massengale  
Applicant for Confederate Pension

DEPOSITION  
OF

W H B Massengale

Witness \_\_\_\_\_ for Applicant

Filed \_\_\_\_\_ day \_\_\_\_\_

of \_\_\_\_\_ 190 \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk. \_\_\_\_\_

By \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy.

Fee for taking Deposition, \$ 50



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- (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.

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## DEPOSITION IN PENSION CLAIMS, WITH CAPTION AND CERTIFICATES.

EX PARTE

IN RE APPLICANT FOR CONFEDERATE PENSION

Under Act May 12, 1899, pending in County Commissioners Court of HendersonA.A. Massengale

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

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

Answers and depositions of (1) W.H.B. Massengale ofAda Ind. Tex.to the accompanying interrogations (2) and Cross Inter  
propounded to him in the above entitled cause taken before (3)in accordance with the accompanying (5) agreementTo the first interrogatory the said W.H.B. MassengaleWitness, answers 58- W.H.B. Massengale - age 58

Ada Ind. Tex. I do all ways he is my brother  
 I knew that he was in the army  
 Company I - in Farney's division - 1862 -  
 do not know - about 3 yrs  
 I have not seen my brother for about 11 yrs  
 but I understand that he cannot support  
 him self by labor of any kind

(TX)

EX PARTE

*Alfred A. Massengale*  
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 *J. W. Massengale* and *J. H. Grantman*, who resides in the County of *Scurry*, 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.

*Alfred A. Massengale*  
(Applicant,) Attorney for Applicant.

Direct Interrogatories to be Propounded to the Witness.....

*J. W. Massengale*

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 *Alfred A. Massengale* who is an applicant for pension under Act of May 12, 1899?

INT. 3. How long have you known the said *A. A. Massengale* applicant for pension, and when and where did you first know him?

INT. 4. Do you personally know that the said *A. A. Massengale* 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 *A. A. Massengale* 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 navy, then state: When? Where? And how long he so served?

INT. 6. Do you further know that *A. A. Massengale*, the said applicant for pension, is unable to support himself by labor of any sort?

## CROSS INTERROGATORIES.



TO BE PROPOUNDED TO

*J. W. Massengale*

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 time you knew of any other soldier or sailor by the name of Alfred A. Mossengale serving in the same company or regiment in which you say the said applicant, Alfred A. Mossengale, 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 A.A. Mossengale applicant, serving in the same command?

If you say that you so knew other soldiers or sailors of the same name as 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 A.A. Mossengale 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 upon conjecture?

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
County of Henderson

I, J.B. Blades, 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.

J.B. Blades  
County Judge, Henderson County, Texas.  
A.A. Mossengale  
mark (Applicant,) Attorney for Applicant.

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In Re  
Application for Confederate  
Pension.

IN COMMISSIONERS' COURT,  
Henderson COUNTY, TEXAS.  
Pending before County Judge of said County.

EX PARTE  
A.A. Mossengale  
Applicant.

INTERROGATORIES  
PROPOUNDED TO  
A.A. Mossengale  
WITNESSES.

EX PARTE

*A.A. Massengale*  
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 *A.A. Massengale* and  
who reside in the County of *Ada* in the State of *Indiana*  
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.

*Alfred A. Massengale*  
(Applicant,) Attorney for Applicant.

Direct Interrogatories to be Propounded to the Witness

*A.A. Massengale*

- 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 *Alfred A. Massengale* who  
is an applicant for pension under Act of May 12, 1899?  
INT. 3. How long have you known the said *A.A. Massengale* applicant for  
pension, and when and where did you first know him?  
INT. 4. Do you personally know that the said *A.A. Massengale* 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 *A.A. Massengale*  
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 navy, then state:  
When? Where? And how long he so served?  
INT. 6. Do you further know that *A.A. Massengale*, the said  
applicant for pension, is unable to support himself by labor of any sort?

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CROSS INTERROGATORIES.

TO BE PROPOUNDED TO

*A.A. Massengale*

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 time you knew of any other soldier or sailor by the name of Afford M. Massengale serving in the same company or regiment in which you say the said applicant, A. M. Massengale, 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 A. M. Massengale applicant, serving in the same command?

If you say that you so knew other soldiers or sailors of the same name as 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 A. M. Massengale 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 upon conjecture?

CROSS INT. 4. Do know whether or not the said A. M. Massengale applicant for pension, ever deserted the service in the Confederate army or navy?

He is my brother - I knew no other soldier or sailor by our name I am - I get such knowledge directly from my bro A. M. Massengale & his son Edgum. I he did I never heard of it

THE STATE OF TEXAS, }  
County of Henderson }

I, J. P. Blades, 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.

J. P. Blades  
County Judge, Henderson County, Texas.  
A. M. Massengale  
mark (Applicant,) Attorney for Applicant.

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In Re  
Application for Confederate  
Pension.

IN COMMISSIONERS' COURT,  
Henderson COUNTY, TEXAS.  
Pending before County Judge of said County.

EX PARTE  
A. M. Massengale  
Applicant.

INTERROGATORIES

PROPOUNDED TO

A. M. Massengale

WITNESSES.



## Comptroller's Department,

State of Texas,

Austin.

MAR 6 - 1908

J. W. STEPHENS, COMPTROLLER.  
JOHN T. SMITH, CHIEF CLERK.

To The Adjutant General

To the Military Secretary,

War Department,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to request the military record of

*Alford A. Massengale* who is reported to have enlisted in  
Company *I*, *20<sup>th</sup>* Regiment *Texas 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. (TX)

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ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

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WAR DEPARTMENT

Austin, Texas,  
Mar. 6, 1908.

Alford A. Massengale,  
Co. I, 20th Texas Inf.  
C.S.A.

State of Texas, Comptroller's Dept.  
requests record of---

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

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## WAR DEPARTMENT,

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, Mar. 11, 1908.

*Respectfully returned to the*

Comptroller,  
State of Texas,  
Austin.

The name Alford A. Massengale has not been found on the rolls, on file in this office, of Company I, 20th Texas Infantry, C. S. A., nor has any record been found of the capture or parole of a man of this name and organization.



The Adjutant General.

(A. G. O. 72-1)