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FORM B

Widow's Application for Pension

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

Name of Applicant.

Mrs. J. C. Melton

Henderson County.

Postoffice Athens R. D. #3

Filed Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup> 1911.

Approved

Pension allowed from

Rejected

File

Commissioner of Pensions.

## FORM B

## For Use of Widows of Soldiers Who are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of Henderson

I, Mrs J. G. Melton, do hereby make application to the Commissioner of Pensions for a pension, to be granted me under the Act passed by the Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Texas, and approved March 26, A. D. 1909, on the following grounds:

I am the widow of E. Melton, deceased, who departed this life on the 7th day of December, A. D. 1905, in the county of Henderson, 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 23d day of December, A. D. 1873 in the county of Navarro, in the State of Texas.

My husband, the said Elijah Melton, enlisted and served in the military service of the Confederate States during the war between the States of the United States, and that he did not desert the Confederate Service. I have been a resident of the State of Texas since prior to March 1, A. D. 1880, 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 to the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars per annum, nor do I own in my own right, nor does any one hold in trust for my benefit or use, estate or property, either real, personal or mixed, either in fee or for life, of the assessed value of over one thousand dollars; nor do I receive any aid or pension from any other State, or from the United States, or from any other source, and I do further state that the answers given to the following questions are true:

1. What is your age? 60 years.
2. Where were you born? In Texas.
3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? 60 years.
4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? And what is your postoffice address? 33 years.
5. What was your husband's full name? Elijah Melton.
6. When and where were you married? Dec. 23, 1873, in Navarro County, Texas.
7. What was the date of his death? Dec. 7th, 1905.
8. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? Texas.
9. How long did your husband serve? If known to you, give date of enlistment and discharge. do not know.
10. What was the name or letter of the company, or name or number of the battalion, regiment or battery of artillery 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. Company E, 13th Texas, Infantry.

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11. 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. Infantry. He was a cripple, and was transferred to Hospital corps, and later served as a butcher

12. 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 her application for a pension be approved and such other proceedings be had in the premises as are required by law.

(Signature of Applicant)

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 6 day of January, A. D. 1911

County Judge John S. Bruce County, Texas.

[SEAL.]

## AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of Henderson }

Before me John S. Bruce, County Judge of Henderson County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared M. J. Hendley & Leora Bell, who are personally

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

J. C. Milton, applicant for a pension as the widow of E. Milton

deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of E. Milton deceased; that they personally know

that she has not remarried since the death of her husband, for whose service in the army she claims a pension, and that

they have no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness) Leora Bell

(Signature of Witness) M. J. Hendley

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 9 day of July, A. D. 1911

County Judge John S. Bruce County, Texas.

[SEAL.]

## AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of Henderson }

Before me John S. Bruce, County Judge of Henderson County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared M. J. Hendley & L. Bell, who are personally

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

named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said Mrs. J. C. Milton

has been a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas since prior to March 1, A. D. 1880, and that they have no

interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness) Leora Bell

(Signature of Witness) M. J. Hendley

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 26 day of July, A. D. 1911

County Judge John S. Bruce County, Texas.

[SEAL.]

THE STATE OF TEXAS)

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

[illegible]

(Signature of Witness) .....

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

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

County Judge.....County, Texas.

[SEAL.]

CERTIFICATE OF STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR



I, W. H. Brown, State and County Assessor in the County of Henderson, State of Texas, do hereby certify that Mrs. J. C. Meeton, whose name is signed to the foregoing application for a pension, under the Act of the Thirty-first Legislature, approved March 26, A. D. 1909, is charged on the land and personal property rolls of the said county, in her name, or the name of a trustee, with estate, real, personal and mixed, at the assessed value of 340 dollars.

Given under my hand, this 29 day of July, A. D. 1911

State and County Assessor.







DEPOSITION IN PENSION CLAIMS, with Caption and Certificates.

1170-1109-3m

## EX PARTE

## IN RE APPLICANT FOR CONFEDERATE PENSION

*Mrs. J. C. Melton*

Under Act March 26, 1909, pending

*H. H. Henson*

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

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

Answers and depositions of (1)

*M. L. McCall*to the accompanying interrogations (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

Witness, answers *My name is M. L. McCall; I am 78 years of age, and reside at Emis,*  
*in Ellis County, Texas.*To the 2nd Int. he Ans: *Yes.*To 3d Int. he Ans: *I have known Elijah Melton since 1858 to time of his death.*  
*I first met him in Miss.*To 4th Int. he Ans: *Yes. We both enlisted together.*To 5th Int. he Ans: *The said Elijah Melton enlisted in Co. E, Reg. 13th*  
*Texas Inf. at Velasco, Texas, in 1861. He served some three or four months*  
*there, but was discharged and served elsewhere.*To 6th Int. he Ans: *He was a private so far as I know.*To 7th Int. he Ans: *He was no conscript. We volunteered and serve the country.*To 1st Cross-Int. he Ans: *I served with him. There was no other Elijah Melton*  
*in our company or regiment.*

To 2nd Cross-Int. he Ans:

*Yes*

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To 3d Cross-Int. he Ans:

*I know he served honorably while in our company and regiment. I never*  
*heard of any thing against his record elsewhere.*

To 4th Cross-Int. he Ans:

*He did not desert.**M. L. McCall*

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 12 day of Jan, 1911

John H. Sharp.  
Notary Public

THE STATE OF Tex

County of Ellis

a notary public do hereby certify that

I, John H. Sharp  
(Here give name and official character of officer before whom taken.)

M. L. McCabe

and is are personally known to me to be credible citizens of said

County and State, and that the foregoing answers of M L McCabe

the witness before named, and

whose name appears signed to the foregoing deposition, were made before me

and were sworn to and subscribed before me, by said witness (4) M L McCabe

Given under my hand and official seal, this the 12 day of Jan, 1911

(L. S.)

John H. Sharp  
Notary Public

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.

EX PARTE

M. L. McCabe

Applicant for Confederate Pension

DEPOSITION

OF

M. L. McCabe

Witness for Applicant

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

of \_\_\_\_\_ 19 \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk.

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

Fee for Taking Deposition, \$ \_\_\_\_\_



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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.

VON BOECKMANN-JONES CO., AUSTIN, TEXAS.

545-411-1m



R. A. BUFORD, Commissioner

OFFICE OF  
**Commissioner of Pensions**  
 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 Olizah Melton who is reported to have enlisted in  
 Company E, Regiment 13<sup>th</sup> Texas Infantry  
 in the service of the Confederate States Army.

Purpose: The widow of 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,

  
*R. A. Buford*  
 Commissioner of Pensions.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
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WAR DEPARTMENT

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

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**WAR DEPARTMENT,**

**THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,**

WASHINGTON, August 9, 1911.

*Respectfully returned to the*

Commissioner of Pensions,  
State of Texas,  
Austin.

The name Elijah Melton has not been found on the rolls, on file in this office, of Company E (Melton's and later Clark's), 13th (Colonel Bates's) Texas Infantry, Confederate States Army. It appears, however, from the records (other than rolls) of this office that one Elijah Melton (who may possibly be identical with the subject of your inquiry), a private in Captain Jno. D. Clark's Company, Bates's Regiment Texas Volunteers, Confederate States Army, was enlisted by Wm. Melton January 18, 1862, in Navarro County, for one year, and "is now (June 15, 1862) entitled to a discharge by reason of disability." He is recorded as having been born in Green County, Alabama, 29 years old, 5 feet 7 inches high, of fair complexion, black eyes and hair, and as a stockraiser.

*J. P. Arisworth*

The Adjutant General.

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