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Widow'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.

Mrs. A. C. Shelton

Henderson County.

Postoffice Athens, Texas, A #1

Filed Oct. 1st 1914

Approved for Dept. 9

Pension allowed from Dec 1st 1914

Rejected

George Kyles

Commissioner of Pensions.  
Commissioner of Pensions

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FORM B

1979-114-1M

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

## THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF

Henderson

I, Mrs. A. C. Shelton, do hereby make application to the Commissioner of Pensions for a pension, to be granted me under the Act passed by the Thirty-third Legislature of the State of Texas, and approved April 7, A. D. 1913, on the following grounds:

I am the widow of J. C. Shelton, deceased, who departed this life on the 30 day of Apr, A. D. 1909, 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 5 day of Aug, A. D. 1879, in the county of Henderson, in the State of Texas.

My husband, the said J. C. Shelton, 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 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 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 anyone hold in trust for my benefit or use, estate or property, either real, personal or mixed, either in fee or for life, of the value of one thousand dollars, exclusive of the home of the value of not over \$1,000.00; 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? 57 years
2. Where were you born? In Tippah Co. Miss
3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? 46 years
4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? And what is your postoffice address? I have resided in Henderson Co. 46 years - Post-office: Athens, Tex R#1
5. Did husband draw a pension? If so, give his file number No
6. What was your husband's full name? John Calvin Shelton
7. What was the date of his death? Apr 30, 1909
8. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? I do not know but I know in Texas
9. How long did your husband serve? If known to you, give date of enlistment and discharge He served about 4 years, but I do not know the dates
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 Co. D. Wall's Legion composed of Infantry, Cavalry & Artillery

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 In Wall's Cavalry Battalion, Brown's Company, Craig's Legion

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)

A. C. Shelton

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 23 day of Aug, A. D. 1914.

[Seal.]

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, C. D. Owen, County Judge of Henderson County,  
 State of Texas, on this day personally appeared M. E. Richardson & J. K. Webster, 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. A. C. Shelton, applicant for a pension as the widow of J. C. Shelton,  
 deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of J. C. Shelton 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 pen-  
 sion, and that they have no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness)

M. E. Richardson

(Signature of Witness)

J. K. Webster

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C. D. Owen

[Seal.]

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 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 pension, and that they personally know that the said Mrs. A. C. Shelton  
 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 this claim.

(Signature of Witness)

M. E. Richardson

(Signature of Witness)

J. K. Webster

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 23 day of Aug, A. D. 1914.

C. D. Owen

[Seal.]

County Judge Henderson County, Texas.





C. D. OWEN  
COUNTY JUDGE  
Henderson County  
ATHENS, TEXAS

Oct. 19, 1914.


Hon. George V. Kyser, Com. of Pensions,  
Austin, Texas,

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed please find application of Mrs. A. C. Shelton  
She has made diligent search for two witnesses to her husband's  
service in the army, but has failed to find but one.

She is a worthy woman, and needs help, and I am satisfied  
that she is entitled to a pension. I, therefore, recommend  
that you approve her application.

Yours very truly,

*C. D. Owen* 

C. D. OWEN  
COUNTY JUDGE  
Henderson County  
ATHENS, TEXAS

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF HENDERSON.

Before me, C.D. Owen, County Judge of Henderson County, Texas, this day personally appeared Mrs. A.C. Shelton known to me to be the person whose name is hereto subscribed, who being by me duly sworn, says that she tried diligently to find some of her husband's comrades in arms and succeeded in finding only one, B.A. Shelton, a brother to her husband, whose testimony is herewith submitted.

*her*  
Mrs. A. C. + Shelton  
*Quart*

SWORN to and subscribed before me this the 23d. day of August, 1914.

C.D. Owen  
CO. Judge, Henderson Co., Texas.



EX PARTE

*Mrs A. C. Shelton*

IN RE APPLICANT for CONFEDERATE PENSION

*Apr 7-1913*  
 Under Act March 26, 1900, pending *in*  
*Henderson*

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

Answers and depositions of (1) *B. A. Shelton*

*Gould, Oklahoma.*

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

to the accompanying interrogations (2) *& Cross Interrogations*

propounded to *him* in the above entitled cause taken before (3)

in accordance with the accompanying (7) *agreement*

To the first interrogatory the said *B. A. Shelton*

Witness, answers *B. A. Shelton, 69, Harmon County Oklahoma, Gould P.O.*

To the second interrogatory the witness answers: Yes,

To the third interrogatory the witness answers: ~~Yes~~ All my life.

To the fourth interogaotory the witness answers: Yes I know he did ~~pe~~ perform the duties of a soldier.

To the fifth interrogatory the witness answers: Yes, He was enlisted in "Walls Texas legion, Willis's Cavalry Batillion, Company D." In 1862, ~~in Mississippi, Tennessee and Alabama~~  
~~near Washington County, Texas~~ Served until close of War in 1865.

To the sixth interrogatory the witness answers: He was not a commissi  
 ioned officer.

To the seventh interrogatory the witness answers: He was a volunteer.

To the first cross interrogatory the witness answers: He was my brother, ~~I was raised with him, and~~ I was raised with him, ~~and~~ and served with him in the army three years. I did not know any other Jno C. Shelton.

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To the second cross interrogatory the witness answers: Yes.

To the third cross interrogatory the witness answers: I know he did.

To the fourth cross interrogatory the witness answers: I know he did not.

*B. A. Shelton*



Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 2nd day of September 1914.

*I. H. H. Reeves*  
Notary Public

THE STATE OF Oklahoma

County of Harmon

I, H. H. Reeves, a Notary Public, in and  
(Here give name and official character of officer before whom taken)

for Harmon County Oklahoma

do hereby certify that B. A. Shelton

and is ~~are~~ personally known to me to be credible citizens of said  
County and State, and that the foregoing answers of B. A. Shelton

the witness before named, and

whose name appear s signed to the foregoing deposition, were made before  
me and were sworn to and subscribed before me, by said witness (4) B. A. Shelton.

Given under my hand and official seal, this the 2nd day of September 1914.

(L. S.)

*I. H. H. Reeves*  
Notary Public in and for Harmon Co. Okla  
My Commission Expires Sept. 30th, 1915

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, and Notary Public, or any Commissioner of Deeds of Texas.

File No. ....

In Harmon County, Texas,  
Before the Honorable Judge of Said County.

EX PARTE

*B. A. Shelton*

Applicant for Pension

DEPOSITION OF

*B. A. Shelton*

*James Allen*

Witness for Applicant.

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

of \_\_\_\_\_, 1914

\_\_\_\_\_, 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.

## EX-PARTE

Mrs. A. C. Shelton

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 the Witness \_\_\_\_\_.

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 Mrs. C. Shelton who  
\_\_\_\_\_ is an applicant for pension under Act of March 26, 1909?

INT. 3. How long had you known the said Mrs. C. Shelton  
and when and where did you first know him?

INT. 4. Do you personally know that the said Mrs. C. Shelton  
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 Mrs. C. Shelton  
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 Mrs. C. Shelton  
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 Mrs. C. Shelton 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

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To be propounded to B. A. Shelton

CROSS INTERROGATORY 1. If, in answer to the foregoing direct interrogatories, you have stated that you person-  
ally know or did know said Mrs. C. Shelton 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 Mrs. C. Shelton 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 Mrs. C. Shelton serving in the same company or regiment, or special  
service in which you say the said Mrs. C. Shelton enlisted, if you have stated that said  
Mrs. C. Shelton 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 Jno C Shelton  
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 Jno C Shelton  
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 Jno C Shelton  
is the identical person serving as testified by you?

CROSS INT. 3. Do you know whether or not the said Jno C Shelton  
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 Jno C Shelton  
deserted his command, or voluntarily abandoned his post of duty or the service during said war?

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of Henderson }

I, C. D. 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 an-  
swers to the hereinabove direct and cross interrogatories of the said herein named witness may be attached hereto.

C. D. Owen  
County Judge Henderson County, Texas.  
Mrs. A. C. Shelton  
most  
(Applicant) Attorney for Applicant.

Jno Owen County Judge  
There is living near Bond one Mrs. A. C. Shelton  
as but not in same Co  
B. A. Shelton

In Re

Application for Confederate

Pension

FOR USE OF SOLDIERS OR WIDOWS

Henderson County, Texas.

Pending before the County Judge of said County.

EX-PARTE

Mrs. A. C. Shelton

Applicant.

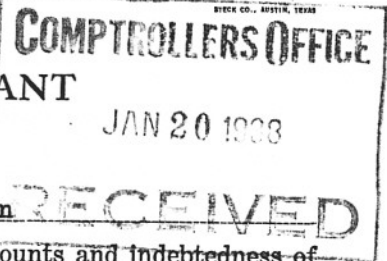
INTERROGATORIES

propounded to

B. A. Shelton

Witnesses.





# APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Dawson

I, J.H. Shelton

do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late Mrs. A. C. Shelton, who was a pensioner of the State of Texas, and whose file number was 29593 and whose original county was Henderson

The said pensioner Mrs. A.C. Shelton, died on the 7th day of January, 19 38, in the town of Lamesa

County of Dawson, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of Mrs. Lucy Anderton 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

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 Motor Route B, Street or R. F. D.

Lamesa

City

Texas

State

Signed J.H. Shelton

Sworn to before me this 14th day of January, 19 38

J. C. duBore

Notary Public in and for Dawson State of Texas.

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

## CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, Chas. DeBorja, do certify that I am undertaker in the town of Lamesa, County of Dawson, State of Texas that I had charge of the body of Mrs. A.C. Shelton, who died in the town of Lamesa, County of Dawson, State of Texas on the 7th day of January 19 38. That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 7th day of January 19 38, and that I am of the opinion that warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said J.H. Shelton who makes the foregoing application.

Signed Chas. DeBorja Undertaker.

## CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, A. H. Smith, do certify that I am a practicing physician, and that I attended Mrs. A.C. Shelton in his last illness, and am of the opinion that his ailments were senility and cerebral hemorrhage

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 A. H. Smith

Physician's Address Lamesa, Tex.

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Jan. 12, 1938