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DEAD FORM No. 1. 6340

CONFEDERATE PENSION APPLICATION.  
*Dead*

Name of Applicant,

*Henry Shirk*

*Alexander* County.

Post Office *Athens, Texas*

Comptroller's File No. *6340*

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

*Approved*  
this *17* day of *March*

A. D. *1900*  
*Wm. H. Corbin*  
Pension Clerk.

I hereby *approve* the within application for pension, this *17* day of

*March* A. D. *1900*  
*Wm. H. Corbin*  
Comptroller.

No Application Rejected by County Judge or County Commissioners Should be Forwarded to Comptroller.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,  
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No. \_\_\_\_\_

APPLICATION of Indigent Soldier or Sailor of the late Confederacy for pension under the Act of May 12, 1899.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, }

COUNTY OF }

To the Honorable County Judge of Henderson County, Texas.

Your petitioner, Henry Shire 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 Henry Shire
- Q. What is your age? Answer 57 years
- Q. In what County do you reside? Answer Henderson
- Q. How long have you resided in said County and what is your post office address? Answer Have resided in said county 17 years. P. O. Athens
- 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 Black Smith
- Q. What is your physical condition? Answer 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 Wounds received in Confederate service
- Q. State in what company and regiment you enlisted in the Confederate army, and the time of your service? Answer Company "C" 21st Texas Regiment Infantry  
Served from June 1st 1861 to April 1865
- Q. If you served in the Confederate navy state when and where, and the time of your service. Answer
- 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 None
- 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 None

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- 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 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

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)

Henry Shirk

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

5

day of

July

A. D.

1899

W. F. Freeman

(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,

W. F. Freeman

County Judge of

Henderson

County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared

W. F.

Graham & W. T. Eustace

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

Henry Shirk

the above named applicant for a pension, and that they

personally know that the said Henry Shirk enlisted in the service of the

Confederacy, and performed the duties of a soldier (or sailor) as claimed by him in the above and foregoing application, and that they

further know that he, the said applicant, is unable to support himself by labor of any sort.

(Signature of Witness)

W. F. Graham

(Signature of Witness)

W. T. Eustace

(Signature of Witness)

(Signature of Witness)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

5

day of

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W. F. Freeman

(SEAL)

County Judge Henderson County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF PHYSICIAN.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF

County Judge of

Before me

County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared

, 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:

I know him to be badly afflicted with chronic Rheumatism, so much so that he walks with difficulty & has to use a stick for support.

(Signature of Physician)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

10th

day of

February

A. D. 1800

(SEAL)

County Judge

CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY JUDGE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF

County Judge of

day of

I,

County, State of Texas, do hereby certify that on the

A. D. 1899

, before me came on to be heard the application of

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

who is a reputable practicing physician of this County, was made before me. I also certify that the said applicant

, 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

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

day of

February

A. D. 1900

this

(SEAL)

County Judge

CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF

County, Texas, hereby certify that the foregoing application of

for a pension, together with the proof in support thereof, was duly submitted by Hon.

County Judge of this County, to the Commissioners Court of this County, at a regular term thereof on the

day of

A. D. 1800, 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

day of

February

A. D. 1900

this

(Signatures of Commissioners.)

(SEAL)

W. F. Freeman  
J. M. Smith  
Wood Porter