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FORM B.

WIDOW'S APPLICATION FOR A PENSION

The Comptroller of Public Accounts reserves the right to call for additional testimony if he deems it necessary.

Name of Applicant.

Mrs John J. Swearingen
Henderson County.

R. F. D. or Street No.

Postoffice

Trinidad, Texas

Filed *April 25th, 1929.*

Approved *April 25th, 1929.*

Pension allowed from *Mar. 1st, 1929.*

Rejected

S. F. Terrell

Comptroller of Public Accounts.

Widow's Application for Confederate Pension

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Henderson

I, Mrs. John J. Swearingen do hereby make application for a pension, pursuant to the provisions of the First Section of Title 109, Revised Civil Statutes, 1925, providing for Confederate Pension, amended by Chapter 95, General Laws of the Fortieth Legislature, as amended by Senate Bill 287, Acts of the Regular Session of the Forty-first Legislature of the State of Texas, approved March 5, 1929, on the following ground:

I am a widow of John J. Swearingen deceased, who departed this life on the 18 day of Oct, A. D. 1905, in the county of Coleman 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 25th day of Oct, A. D. 1866, in the county of Sulaski in the State of Ga.

My husband, the said John J. Swearingen, enlisted and served in the military service of the Confederate States during the war between the States of the United States and he did not desert the Confederate service. I have been a resident of the State of Texas since prior to January 1, A. D. 1920, 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 above 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 \$2000; nor do I receive any aid or pension from any other State of the United States, and I do further state that the answers given to the following questions are true: (26)

1. What is your age, and date of birth? Born Aug 18, 1852 - 78 years
2. Where were you born? Sulaski Co. Ga.
3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? 53 years
4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? 7 years
5. What is your postoffice address? Trinidad, Texas
6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law and been rejected? No

If rejected, state when and where

7. Did your husband draw a pension? No If so, give his file number ✓
8. Give, if possible, the postoffice address of your deceased husband at the time of his enlistment Macon, Ga. (Sulaski Co.)
9. What is your husband's full name? John Jackson Swearingen

10. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? Ga.11. How long did your husband serve? June 26 1863 to Nov 18 1864 If known to you, give date of enlistment and discharge Enlisted June 26 1863 - latest record Nov 18 1864

12. What was the name or letter of the company, or number of the regiment 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. (If applicant's husband was a pensioner give his file number, which is evidence sufficient for proof of service.) Sgt. Co. H, 31st Regiment Georgia

Infantry - Confederate States Army

13. 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

14. Do you own any property other than that rendered for taxes in your county? If so, state value of same and county where located No property

15. Have you transferred to another any property of any kind for the purpose of becoming a beneficiary under this law? No (TX)

Wherefore your petitioner prays that her application for a pension may be approved and such other proceedings be had in the premises as required by law.

(Signature of Applicant)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 18 day of April, A. D. 1929

[Seal]

County Judge Henderson County, Texas.

*Where applicant has remarried it is necessary that she state facts covering particulars of last marriage, date, to whom married, and date of last husband's death. She must also state that she is now a widow.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Henderson }

Before me, A. B. Baker, County Judge of _____ County,
State of Texas, on this day personally appeared Marion S. Moore
& Mary E. Winters, who are personally known to me to be credible citi-
zens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know that Mrs. John J. Swearingen, applicant for a pension as the widow of John J. Swearingen
deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of John Jackson Swearingen deceased; that they personally
know that she has not remarried since the death of her husband, for whose services in the army she claims
a pension, and that they have no interest in this claim.*

(Signature of Witness) Marion S. Moore(Signature of Witness) Mary E. WintersSworn to and subscribed before me, this 18th day of April, A. D. 1929.A. B. Baker

[Seal.]

County Judge Henderson County, Texas.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Henderson }

Before me, A. B. Baker, County Judge of _____ County,
State of Texas, on this day personally appeared Mary E. Winters
& Marion S. Moore, who are personally known to me to be creditable citi-
zens, 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 John J. Swearingen
has been a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas since prior to January 1, A. D. 1920, and that they
have no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness) Mary E. Winters(Signature of Witness) Marion S. MooreSworn to and subscribed before me, this 18th day of April, A. D. 1929.A. B. Baker

[Seal.]

County Judge Henderson County, Texas.

STATE OF TEXAS
OATH OF WITNESSES

(If possible the two witnesses should have served with the applicant's husband in the army, and if so, let them, or either of them, state it in their oath, also any other information regarding the army service of applicant's husband.)

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 creditable wit-
zens, who, being by me sworn, on oath state that they are personally acquainted with the foregoing appli-
cant, and that the facts set forth and statements made in her application are correct and true, to the best
of their knowledge and belief, and that they have no interest in this claim. And further make oath to
the following facts touching the service of applicant's husband in the Confederate Army: (Witnesses must
state fully the source of their knowledge of service of applicant's husband) _____

*See Enrollment Copy - Discharge
attached hereto.*

(Signature of Witness) _____

(Signature of Witness) _____

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

[Seal.]

County Judge _____ County, Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR

I, *Geo. W. Wood*, _____, State and County Assessor in the County of
Henderson State of Texas, do certify that Mrs. *Mary J. Swearingen*
whose name is signed to the foregoing application for a pension is charged on the tax rolls of said county
with a homestead of the value of *None* Dollars, and, in
addition to homestead, of other property, real or personal, or both, of the value of *Has Nothing*
No Dollars.

Given under my hand, this *18* day of *April*, A. D. 19*29*.
Geo. W. Wood
State and County Assessor.

WAR DEPARTMENT

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

IN REPLY
REFER TO

O.R.D.

WASHINGTON

June 11, 1928.

Respectfully returned to

Bertha M. Moore,
Trinidad, Texas.

The records show one John J. Swearingin, also borne as John J. Swearngan (not found as John Jackson Swearengen) Pvt. Co. F, 31st Regiment Georgia Infantry, Confederate States Army, enlisted June 26, 1863 at Macon, Ga.

Muster Roll for Jan. 1 to Aug. 31, 1864, dated Nov. 6, 1864 (latest on file) shows him absent, at hospital sick, Macon, Ga.

His name appears on a Register of patients in Ocmulgee Hospital, Macon, Ga., showing disease Ascites, admitted Nov. 7, 1864 and transferred Nov. 18, 1864. Residence, Pulaski Co. No later record found.

Warren D. Weed, Captain, Co. F, died Nov. 25, 1863. Captain T. J. Mills his successor, was killed in action, May 5, 1864.



S. N. Bridges

Brigadier General
Acting The Adjutant General
By *m.g.*

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Trinidad, Texas.
April, 19. 1929.

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

Dear Sir;

I am mailing form No-111B-Widows Application for Confederate Pension in behalf of Mrs. John J Swearengen widow of John J. Swearengen as given in application, together with the war record of the aboved named Confederate Veteran. I earnestly request that you give this your immediate attention and secure a pension for Mrs Swearengen in time for her to get a part of this quarters allotment.

I personally know Mrs Swearengen to be entitled to this requested pension. She has asked me to assist her and I have done so in every way I could.

Please return the war record of Mrs Swearengens husband to her when you are done with it- this being her desire.

Hoping earnestly that there will be no delay in getting this matter through , and extending Mrs. Swearengens gratitude to you for your efforts and kindness, I am

Very respectfully,

Bertha M. Moore
Bertha M. Moore.
District Postmaster.



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Mrs Jno J Swearingen

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April 26, 1929.

Miss Bertha M. Moore,
District Postmaster,
Trinidad, Texas.

Dear Madam:

I have your favor of April 18, in which you enclose the application of Mrs. John J. Swearengen. You are advised that this application is being approved today.

Mrs. Swearengen will in the next few days receive formal notice of approval, at which time affidavit will be forwarded her to be executed, covering issuance of first quarterly warrant to which she will be entitled, which warrant will issue about May 31.

I cannot comply with your request to return the War record of Mr. Swearengen, as this must be kept on file and becomes a part of this application, and is the only proof of service filed.

I am returning the report from the War Department at Washington, which gives the names of parties who served as comrades of Mr. Swearengen.

Yours very truly,

Comptroller of Public
Accounts.

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APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

NOV 22 1933

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Navarro } I, M. B. Moore

do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late Mrs. John J. Swearengen, who was a pensioner of the State of Texas, and whose file number was 45540 and whose original county was Henderson

The said pensioner Mrs. John J. Swearengen, died on the 4 day of November, 1933, in the town of Trinidad County of Henderson, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of Mrs. M. B. Moore 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 Mrs. John J. Swearengen

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

I am related to the pensioner as (Friend) daughter that my postoffice address is _____

Street or R. F. D.

Trinidad
City

Texas
State

Sworn to before me this 21 day of Nov, 1933

Signed Mrs M B Moore

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

Notary Public in and for Navarro State of Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, O. N. Stackton, do certify that I am undertaker in the town of Kerens, County of Navarro, State of Texas that I had charge of the body of Mrs. John J. Swearengen, who died in the town of Trinidad, County of Henderson, State of Texas on the 4 day of November 1933. That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 4 day of November 1933, and that I am of the opinion that warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said Mrs. M. B. Moore who makes the foregoing application.

Signed O. N. Stackton
Undertaker.

CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, D. B. Currie, do certify that I am a practicing physician, and that I attended Mrs. John J. Swearengen in his last illness, and am of the opinion that ~~his~~ ailments were Apoplexy

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.

Signed D. B. Currie M.D.

Physician's Address Kerens, Texas

Nov. 15, 1933

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