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DEAD 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.

6-14-27
Mrs. C. J. Shuford

Henderson County.

Postoffice *Chandler*

Filed.....

AUG 31 1909

Approved.....

Pension allowed from.....

Rejected.....

Commissioner of Pensions.

VON BOECKMANN-JONES CO., PRINTERS, AUSTIN

FORM B

For Use of Widows of Soldiers Who are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Henderson

I, Mrs C. J. Thedford, 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 A. J. Thedford, deceased, who departed this life on the 14 day of June, 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 15 day of February, A. D. 1866, in the county of Smith, in the State of Texas

My husband, the said A. J. Thedford, 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? 64 years
2. Where were you born? In Bradley County, Tennessee
3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? 48 years
4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? And what is your postoffice address? 6 years. address. Chandler
5. What was your husband's full name? Andrew Jackson Thedford
6. When and where were you married? In Smith Co. Tex. 1866
7. What was the date of his death? June 1, 1908
8. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? In Texas
9. How long did your husband serve? If known to you, give date of enlistment and discharge. 4 years

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 D. 15th Tex.

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.



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)

Mrs. C. J. Thudford

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20 day of Aug., A. D. 1909

John S. Pruice
County Judge Henderson 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. Pruice, County Judge of Henderson County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared J. J. Dobbs + M. E. Dobbs, 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. C. J. Thudford, applicant for a pension as the widow of A. J. Thudford deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of A. J. Thudford 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)

J. J. Dobbs

(Signature of Witness)

M. E. Dobbs

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20 day of Aug., A. D. 1909.

John S. Pruice
County Judge Henderson 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. Pruice, County Judge of Henderson County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared J. J. Dobbs, 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. C. J. Thudford 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)

J. J. Dobbs

(Signature of Witness)

M. E. Dobbs

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20 day of Aug., A. D. 1909.

John S. Pruice
County Judge Henderson County, Texas.

[SEAL.]

AFFIDAVIT 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 information regarding the army service of applicant's husband.)

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of Henderson

Before me John S. Price, County Judge of Henderson County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared Van, who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by me sworn, on oath state that they are personally acquainted with the foregoing applicant, 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 the applicant's husband in the Confederate Army:

(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. A. Davis, State and County Assessor in the County of Henderson, State of Texas, do hereby certify that Mrs. Ad Hudford, 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 \$470.00 dollars.

Given under my hand, this 23 day of Aug, A. D. 1909

W. A. Davis
State and County Assessor.



EX PARTE

Mrs. C. J. Shuford
Applicant for Confederate Pension.

Pending in _____ 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 *Vann Shuford*
and *Allen Shuford* who reside in the County
of *Smith* in the State of *Louisiana* 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 her claim for a pension under the Act of March 26, 1909, the applica-
tion 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 she is a bona fide resident.

Mrs. C. J. Shuford
(Applicant) Attorney for Applicant.

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

Vann Shuford + Allen Shuford

- 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 *A. J. Shuford* who *is*
widow is an applicant for pension under Act of March 26, 1909?
- INT. 3. How long had you known the said *A. J. Shuford*
and when and where did you first know him?
- INT. 4. Do you personally know that the said *A. J. Shuford*
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 *A. J. Shuford*
enlisted and served in the Confederate army? When? Where? And the time of service? If you person-
ally 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 *A. J. Shuford*
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 further know if *A. J. Shuford* 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 *Allen + Vann Shuford*

CROSS INTERROGATORY 1. If, in answer to the foregoing direct interrogatories, you have stated that you personally
know or did know said *A. J. Shuford* 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 *A. J. Shuford* 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 *A. J. Shuford* serving in the same company or regiment, or special
service in which you say the said *A. J. Shuford* enlisted, if you have stated that said
A. J. Shuford 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 A. J. Thulford
 applicant serving in the same command, or the special service to which he was assigned? A. J. Thulford
 If you say that you so know other soldiers or sailors of the same name of A. J. Thulford
 then can you and how do you identify and locate the one from the other or others? A. J. Thulford
 CROSS INT. 2. Are you positively certain that said A. J. Thulford
 is the identical person serving as testified by you?
 CROSS INT. 3. Do you know whether or not the said A. J. Thulford
 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 A. J. Thulford
 deserted his command, or voluntarily abandoned his post of duty or the service during said war?

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Henderson
 I, John S. Price, 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 A. J. Thulford may be attached hereto.

John S. Price
 County Judge Henderson County, Texas.
Mrs. A. J. Thulford
 (Applicant) Attorney for Applicant.

In Re
 Application for Confederate's

Pension.

FOR USE OF SOLDIERS OR WIDOWS.

Henderson County, Texas.

Pending before the County Judge of said County.

EX PARTE
Mrs. A. J. Thulford
 Applicant. 1

INTERROGATORIES
 propounded to
Youn Thulford
Alvin Thulford
 Witnesses.

EX PARTE

IN RE APPLICANT FOR CONFEDERATE PENSION

Under Act March 26, 1909, pending

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

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

Answers and depositions of (1)

*Allen Theford & Vann
Theford.*

to the accompanying interrogations (2)

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

in accordance with the accompanying (7)

To the first interrogatory the said

agreement

Witness, answers

*Allen Theford & Vann Theford - 69 & 64. Respectively
Monday Tex. 1st District #2. Tyler Tex R #8*

To 2nd Int. he Ans.

Yes.

To 3d Int he Ans:

*We have known him all our lives.
abt. 1850. In Georgia.*

To 4th Int he Ans:

We do.

To 5th Int he Ans:

*Company D. 15th Infantry. Sep. 1861.
Tyler. Tex. Unto the close of war.*

To 6th Int he Ans:

Was a private soldier.

To 7th Int. he Ans:

We know that he was not.

To 1, cross-Int he Ans:

*We served with him until the
close of the war. we did not. We did not*

To 2nd cross-Int he Ans:

We are

To 3d cross-Int he Ans:

We know that he did.

To 4th cross-Int he Ans:

*We know that he never
did.*

TX

Signed ^{his} Allen Theoford
 Vann Theoford ^{mark}

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 21st day of August

W. C. Scroggins J. P. and
 Ex Officio Notary Public in and
 for Smith County Texas.

THE STATE OF Texas
 County of Smith

I, W. C. Scroggins Notary Public
 (Here give name and official character of officer before whom taken.)

do hereby certify that Allen Theoford
 and Vann Theoford are personally known to me to be credible citizens of said
 County and State, and that the foregoing answers of Allen Theoford and
Vann Theoford the witness W. C. Scroggins before named, and Allen Theoford
Vann Theoford, whose name appears signed to the foregoing deposition, were made before me
 and were sworn to and subscribed before me, by said witness (4) Allen Theoford & Vann Theoford

Given under my hand and official seal, this the 21st day of August, 190

(L. S.)

W. C. Scroggins J. P. and
 Ex Officio Notary Public in and for Smith
 County 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 Smith County, Texas.
 before the Honorable County Judge of said County.

EX PARTE

Wm. C. J. Theoford
 Applicant for Confederate Pension

DEPOSITION
 OF

Vann Theoford
Allen Theoford

Witness for Applicant

Filed _____ day _____
 of _____ 190 _____
 Clerk.
 By _____ Deputy.

Fee for Taking Deposition, \$ _____



- (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.



E. A. BOLMES, 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 A. J. Medford who is reported to have enlisted in
Company D, Regiment 15th 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,

E. A. Bolmes

Commissioner of Pensions.



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

WAR DEPARTMENT, 1568654

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21, 1909.

Respectfully returned to the

Commissioner of Pensions,
State of Texas,
Austin.

The records show that Andrew J.
Thedford, private, Company D, 15th
Texas Infantry, Confederate States
Army, enlisted March 28, 1862, and
that he was present February 29,
1864, date of latest roll on file.
No later record of him has been
found.



The Adjutant General

A. G. O. 72-1)

BOND

This BOND must be sworn to by the owner of the original warrant, and also signed by the owner and two sureties before it will be approved and duplicate warrant issued.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Smith.

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Mrs. C. J. Thedford, who, after being by me duly sworn on oath, says that she is the true owner of Confederate Pension Warrant No. _____ for the sum of Twenty Four--- Dollars, drawn by the Comptroller of the State of Texas, on _____, in favor of C. J. Thedford, and that the same is in fact lost or destroyed, or has not been received.

(Seal)

X

C. J. Thedford
Owner of Warrant.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 14 day of May, 1921

W. P. Hobby
County Clerk for Smith Co., Texas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Smith

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, Mrs. C. J. Thedford, as principal, and J. R. Henslee and I. Liebreich, as sureties, are held and bound unto W. P. Hobby, Governor of the State of Texas, and his successors in office, in the sum of Twenty Eight Dollars, for the payment of which sum, well and truly to be made, we do bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally.

Whereas, the above named principal has filed with the Comptroller her affidavit, stating that she is the true owner of said Confederate Pension Warrant, drawn by the Comptroller of the State of Texas, on the date shown in the above affidavit, in favor of said payee, and that the same is in fact lost or destroyed; and

Whereas, duplicate of said Confederate Pension Warrant, in favor of the original payee, will be issued;

Now, therefore, the condition of the above obligation is such that the owner of said warrant will hold the State harmless and return to the Comptroller, upon demand being made therefor, such duplicate or copies, or the amount of money named therein, together with all costs that may accrue against the State, on collecting the same.

Given under our hands, this 14 day of May, A. D. 1921

X

C. J. Thedford
Principal.

J. R. Henslee
Surety.

I. Liebreich
Surety.

Approved 17 day of May, 1921

Lon A. Smith
Comptroller.

County Smith Henderson,

Number 15433

Address R. E. D. 802 Live Oak Street.

TYLER, Texas.
(City or Town)



Warrant 10
6179.

(Certificate over)

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
COUNTY OF SMITH.

I, W. R. Hudnall, Clerk of the County Court in and for the County of Smith, State of Texas, do hereby certify that J. R. Henslee and I. Liebreich whose names appear signed to the within and foregoing bond are good and ample security for the amount therein stipulated; that they have property in said county subject to execution to a larger amount, and that if said bond was offered to me for approval, the same would be accepted and approved.

Given under my hand and seal of office, on this the 14th day of May, A. D. 1921.

W. R. Hudnall
Clerk, County Court, Smith County, Texas.

COMPTROLLER
RECEIVED
MAY 17 1921
Referred to

OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER

BOND

APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Smith } I, W. P. Thedford
do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of
the late Mrs C. J. Thedford, who was a pensioner of the
State of Texas, and whose file number was 15433 and whose original county was Henderson
The said pensioner, Mrs C. J. Thedford, died on the
7th day of June, 1927, in the town of Tyler
County of Smith Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of Mr J. Lorton
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 C. J. Thedford

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) None
that my postoffice address is Tyler Texas. 802 South Pine Oak St.
Tyler City Texas State Texas
Street or R. F. D.

Signed W. P. Thedford
Sworn to before me this 11th day of June, 1927

Notary Public in and for Smith State of Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, O. F. Daniel, do certify that I am undertaker in the
town of Tyler County of Smith State of Texas
that I had charge of the body of Mrs C. J. Thedford, who died in the
town of Tyler County of Smith State of Texas
on the 7th day of June 1927. That said body was prepared for burial by me
on the 7th day of June 1927, and that I am of the opinion that
warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said W. P. Thedford
who makes the foregoing application.

Signed O. F. Daniel
Undertaker.

CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, D. T. Bundy, do certify that I am a practicing
physician, and that I attended Mrs C. J. Thedford in his last illness, and
am of the opinion that his ailments were Senility & Mal de Rosa

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. T. Bundy
Physician's Address Tyler Tex Route 2

Must return before
40 days expires from
date of Pensioner's death