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FORM NO. 1.

CONFEDERATE PENSION APPLICATION.

Name of Applicant,

Joab Williams
Henderson

County.

Post Office

Frankston
Anderson Co.

Comptroller's File No.

9226

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

Approved

SEP 22 1902

this day of

A. D.

E. A. Pollock

Pension Clerk.

I hereby *Approved* the within application

SEP 22 1902

for pension, this day of

A. D.

R. M. Love

Comptroller.

No Application Rejected by County Judge or County Commissioner's Should be Forwarded to Comptroller.

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FORM No. 1.

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 HendersonTo the Honorable County Judge of Henderson County, Texas.

Your petitioner, Joak Williams 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 Joak Williams
- Q. What is your age? Answer 69 years May 12, 1902,
- 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 from 1886 to about 1894, then 1 yr in Audman Co, in Cherokee 3 yrs & back to Henderson County Dec 1899, & have lived here since
- 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 Farming
- Q. What is your physical condition? Answer Infirmary from old age & bad eyesight
- 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 Old age,
- Q. State in what company and regiment you enlisted in the Confederate army, and the time of your service.
Answer In Com A, 1 Tex Bat, then changed to Com D, 32 Dismounted Cavalry, served from 1861 to close of war
- Q. If you served in the Confederate navy state when and where, and the time of your service. Answer Did not serve in navy
- 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 no
- 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 Have no real property, my personal property consists in one pony worth about \$35.00

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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 except one horse about one year ago & one saw & pigs*
- 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 *I am*
- Q. Are you unable by your labor to earn a support? Answer *I am*
- Q. Have you transferred to others any property of value of any kind for the purpose of becoming a beneficiary under this law? Answer *I have not*
- 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 *Ever since 1845,*

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)

Maab Williams

Sworn to and subscribed before me this *11th* day of *July* A. D. *1902*

(SEAL.)

County Judge

Paul Jones
Henderson

County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES.

(NOTE—There must be at least two credible witnesses.)

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 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 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)

(Signature of Witness)

(Signature of Witness)

(Signature of Witness)

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

(SEAL.)

County Judge

County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF PHYSICIAN.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Henderson }
 County Judge of Henderson County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared A. S. Miller, 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 Joab Williams 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: Failure of eye sight and general debility

(Signature of Physician) A. S. Miller
 Sworn to and subscribed before me this 11th day of July A. D. 1902
 (SEAL) Paul Jones
 County Judge Henderson County, State of Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY JUDGE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Henderson }
 County Judge of Henderson County, State of Texas, do hereby certify that on the 15th day of August A. D. 1902, before me came on to be heard the application of Joab Williams 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 A. S. Miller who is a reputable practicing physician of this County, was made before me. I also certify that the said applicant Joab Williams A. S. Miller, 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 Joab Williams 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 Astoria this 15th day of August A. D. 1902
 (SEAL) Paul Jones
 County Judge Henderson County, State of Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Henderson }
Henderson County, Texas, hereby certify that the foregoing application of Joab Williams for a pension, together with the proof in support thereof, was duly submitted by Hon. Paul Jones County Judge of this Henderson County, to the Commissioners Court of this Henderson County, at a regular term thereof on the 23rd day of Aug A. D. 1902, 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 Astoria this 23rd day of August A. D. 1902
 (Signature of Commissioners) G. R. Pickle
B. D. Arnold
W. H. Birdwell
Peter Hardin
 (SEAL) (TX)

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File No.

IN THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT
of Henderson County,
BEFORE THE COUNTY JUDGE OF SAID COUNTY.

Ex Parte Joab Williams

COMMISSION
TO TAKE THE DEPOSITION OF

VS. {

Joab Williams
Applicant for Confederate Pension.

Issued the 11 day of
July 1 902
W. C. Connel
clerk

Returned and filed the 12 day of
August A. D. 1 902

W. C. Connel
Clerk County Court,
Henderson County, Texas.
Deputy.

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Clerk of the District Court, Judge or Clerk of the County Court, or any Notary
Public in and for the County of Hopkins and the County of Cherokee
Henderson State of Texas—GREETING:

WE HEREBY AUTHORIZE AND REQUIRE YOU, OR EITHER OF YOU, to summon _____

_____ a resident of your
County to come before you forthwith, and that you then and there take ~~the~~
answers, under oath, to the attached copy of direct & cross Interrogatories, and that you
return the same, without delay, to the Clerk of this Court as herein provided:

1. That you reduce ~~the~~ answers so taken to writing, in proper form, and cause the same to be subscribed
and sworn to by said witness.

2. That you certify under your hand and seal of office, that said answers were sworn to and subscribed
before you.

3. That you seal up in an envelope the answers so taken, together with the annexed interrogatories, and this
Commission, with your name across the seal.

4. That you endorse on the envelope the name of the applicant for pension herein, and the name of said witness.

5. That you direct the package to the "Clerk of the County Court of
Henderson County, Texas."

6. That if said package is sent by mail, the Postmaster or his Deputy shall endorse thereon that he received it
from your hands, and sign his name thereto; or if you entrust it to private conveyance, as provided by the Statute,
you will apprise the person receiving it that it *must* be delivered to the Clerk of *this* Court by *himself in person*; which
evidence, so taken as above, is to be used in proof of and on hearing of a pension claim now pending in the Commis-
sioners' Court of Henderson County, in said State of Texas, before the County Judge of said
County, entitled "Ex parte Joak Williams
applicant for Confederate pension."

HEREIN FAIL NOT, but make due return of this Writ as the law directs.

Given under my hand and seal of office, at Arkens
this 11th day of July A. D. 1902

ATTEST:

W. G. Conner
Clerk of the County Court of Henderson Co. Texas.



E. J. Jones Deputy.

EX PARTE

Joah Williams
Applicant for Confederate Pension.

Pending in the Honorable Commissioners' Court
of *Henderson* 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
R.A. Melton, A.P. Landers and *W.M. Wofford & W.H. Burles*, the *2 first*
who reside in the County of *Houston* in the State of *Texas*, and the *2 lost*
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
to his claim for a pension under the Act of May 12, 1899, 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 can not be proven by any witness residing in the County of *Henderson*
and State of Texas, of which he is a bona fide resident.

Joah Williams

(Applicant,) Attorney for Applicant.

Direct Interrogatories to be Propounded to the Witnesses

R.A. Melton & A.P. Landers. W.M. Wofford & W.H. Burles

- 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 *Joah Williams* who
is an applicant for pension under Act of May 12, 1899?
- INT. 3. How long have you known the said *Joah Williams* applicant for
pension, and when and where did you first know him?
- INT. 4. Do you personally know that the said *Joah Williams* applicant for
pension, enlisted in the service of the Confederacy, and performed the duties of a soldier or sailor?
- INT. 5. Do you personally know in what company and regiment the said *Joah Williams*
applicant, enlisted and served in the Confederate army? When? Where? And the time of service? If
you personally 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 further know that *Joah Williams*, the said
applicant for pension, is unable to support himself by labor of any sort?

CROSS INTERROGATORIES.

TO BE PROPOUNDED TO

Each of said witnesses



CROSS INTERROGATORY 1. If, in answer to the foregoing direct interrogatories, you have stated that you
personally know or did know said applicant, 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 in which applicant

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 Joab Williams serving in the same company or regiment in which you say the said applicant, Joab Williams, enlisted? ~~or if you have stated that said applicant enlisted and served in the navy of the Confederacy, then state whether or not you know any other sailor of the same name as said~~ applicant, ~~serving in the same command?~~

If you say that you so knew other soldiers or sailors of the same name as applicant's, 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 Joab Williams applicant for pension, is the identical person serving as testified by you?

CROSS INT. 3. If you have answered Direct Interrogatory No. 6 in the affirmative, then please state your source of knowledge or information? Is not this your answer simply based upon conjecture?,

CROSS INT. 4. Do know whether or not the said Joab Williams applicant for pension, ever deserted the service in the Confederate army or navy?

THE STATE OF TEXAS, }
County of Henderson

I, Paul Jones, 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 may be attached hereto.

Paul Jones
County Judge Henderson County, Texas.

Joab Williams
(Applicant,) Attorney.....for Applicant.

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In Re
Application for Confederate
Pension.

IN COMMISSIONERS' COURT,
Henderson COUNTY, TEXAS.
Pending before County Judge of said County.

EX PARTE
Joab Williams
Applicant.

INTERROGATORIES
PROFOUNDED TO

WITNESSES.

EX PARTE

IN RE APPLICANT FOR CONFEDERATE PENSION

Under Act May 12, 1899, pending in County Commissioners' Court of

JOAB WILLIAMS

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

HENDERSON

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

Answers and depositions of (1) R. A. Melton and A. P. Landers

W. M. Hoffard and W. H. Bunkle

to the accompanying interrogatories (2) and cross interrogatories

propounded to them in the above entitled cause taken before (3) Chas. F. Ashcroft,

Notary Public in and for Hopkins County, Texas, *and Geo Miller Notary Public*

in accordance with the accompanying (5) Agreement *Cherokee County Texas*

To the first interrogatory the said R. A. Melton

Witness, answers: R. A. Melton, Age 61 years. Sulphur Springs, Texas.

To the 2nd Int'y he answers: Yes.

To the 3rd Int'y he answers: I have known Joab Williams, Applicant for about 42 years. Knew him in Hopkins County about 1860.

To the 4th Int'y he answers: I know that Joab Williams enlisted in the service of the Confederacy and performed the duties of a soldier.

To the 5th Int'y he answers: He enlisted in Company A, Crumps Battalion. He enlisted near Jefferson, Texas, in 1861. He served until the surrender.

To the 6th Int'y he answers: I can not answer this question, as he has not been living here of recent years.

To the 1st Cross Int'y he answers: Because I enlisted with him and served with him. I do not know any other Joab Williams

To the 2nd Cross Int'y he answers: I know positively he is the identical person serving as testified by me.

To the 3rd Cross Int'y he answers: I did not answer this affirmative ly.

To the 4th Cross Int'y he answers: I know that he never deserted the Confederate Army.

R. A. Melton

To the first interrogatory the said A. P. Landers, Witness, answers: My name is A. P. Landers; Age, 57 years. Residence: Sulphur Springs, Tex.

To the 2nd Int'y he answers: Yes.

To the 3rd Int'y he answers: I have known him, the said Joab Williams, Applicant, for about 43 years. Knew him in Hopkins County about 1859.

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To the 4th Int'y he answers: I do.

To the 5th Int'y he answer: He enlisted in Company A. Crump's Battallion, near Jefferson, Texas in 1861. He served until the surrender.

To the 6th Int'y he answer: I can not answer this question.

To the 1st Cross Int'y he answers: Because I enlisted with with him and served with him. I do not know any other Joab Williams.

To the 2nd Cross Int'y he answers: Yes.

To the 3rd ^{Cross} Int'y he answers: I did not answer this affirmatively

To the 4th Cross Int'y he answers: I know that he never deserted the service of the Confederate Army. I know that he never deserted

A. D. Williams
Is the first interrogatory the said Wm. Wofford witness answers my name is Wm. Wofford age 63 years Residence Nebo Texas

Is the 2nd int'y he answers Yes

Is the 3rd int'y he answers I have known him the said Joab Williams Applicant for about 35 years lived in Texas Co about 1867

Is the 4th int'y he answers No

Is the 5th int'y he answers No

Is the 6th int'y he answers Yes

Is the interrogatory the said W. H. Burks witness answers. My Name is W. H. Burks age 38 years Residence Nebo Texas.

Is the 2nd int'y he answers Yes

Is the 3rd int'y he answers I have known him the said Joab Williams Applicant for about 34 years lived in Ellis County about 1868

Is the 4th int'y he answers No

Is the 5th int'y he answers No

Is the 6th int'y he answers Yes.

W. V. Nelson and J. B. Angers
W. H. Wofford
W. H. Burks

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of August 1902

Geo Miller Notary Public
Cherokee
County

Texas

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 18th day of July, 1902.

Chas. F. Ashcroft
Notary Public, Hopkins County, Texas

THE STATE OF TEXAS, }
County of HOPKINS
Hopkins County, Texas, }

I, Chas. F. Ashcroft, Notary Public,
(Here give name and official character of officer before whom taken.)

R. A. Melton
do hereby certify that R. A. Melton
and A. P. Landers are personally known to me to be credible citizens of said
County and State, and that the foregoing answers of R. A. Melton and A. P. Landers

the witness S before named, and
whose name S appear signed to the foregoing deposition, were made before me,
and were sworn to and subscribed before me, by said witness (4) respectively.

Given under my hand and official seal, this the 18th day of July, 1902.

(L. S.)

Chas. F. Ashcroft
Notary Public, Hopkins 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 the Commissioners' Court

OF

Henderson County, Texas,
Before the Honorable County Judge of said County.

EX PARTE

Joab Williams
Applicant for Confederate Pension.

DEPOSITION
OF

R. A. Melton
A. P. Landers

Witness ex. for Applicant.

Filed the 22 Aug 1902
of W. G. Correll Clerk.

By Deputy.

Fee for Taking Deposition, \$