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FORM B

# Widow's Application for Pension

The Commissioner of Pensions reserves the right to call for additional testimony if he deems it necessary.

*Mr* Name of Applicant.

*A. B. Keener*

*Gregg*

County.

Postoffice

*Longview Tex.*

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*E. A. Bolnes*

Commissioner of Pensions.

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FORM B

For use of Widows of Soldiers who are in indigent circumstances.

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of Gregg

I, Mrs A. B. Keener, 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 L. J. Keener, deceased, who departed this life on the 12 day of July, A. D. 1888, in the county of Gregg, in the State of

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 14 day of December, A. D. 1865 in the county of Rusk, in the State of Texas

My husband, the said L. J. Keener, 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? Sixty five
2. Where were you born? Lyons County Miss.
3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? About 59 years
4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? And what is your postoffice address? About 30 years Longview Texas
5. What was your husband's full name? Lawson Jefferson Keener
6. When and where were you married? Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> 1865 Rusk Co. Tx.
7. What was the date of his death? July 12 - 1888
8. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? Texas
9. How long did your husband serve? If known to you, give date of enlistment and discharge. Enlisted April 19<sup>th</sup> 1861 + Discharged May 20<sup>th</sup> 1865 served through the war
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 of service. First Enlisted in Co. F 2<sup>nd</sup> Regt. of Mounted Rifles and after 7 years was placed in Morgan's Regt. Co. K. Parson's Brigade Texas Cavalry
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 how long did he serve? In the Cavalry
12. Have you transferred to others any property of any kind for the purpose of becoming a beneficiary under this law? No.

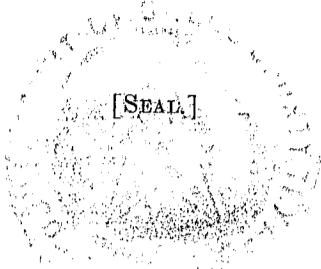


Wherefore your petitioner prays that her application for a pension be approved and such other proceedings be had in the premises as are required by law.

(Signature of Applicant) *Mrs A. B. Keener*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *7<sup>th</sup>* day of *July*, A. D. 19*09*

*J. H. McHaney*  
County Judge *Gregg* County, Texas.



AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

[NOTE.—There must be at least two credible witnesses.]

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of *Gregg*

Before me *J. H. McHaney*, County Judge of *Gregg* County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *W. H. Key & Rush Shaw*, 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. B. Keener*, applicant for a pension as the widow of *L. J. Keener* deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of *L. J. Keener* 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) *Rush Shaw*

(Signature of Witness) *W. H. Key*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *7* day of *July*, A. D. 19*09*

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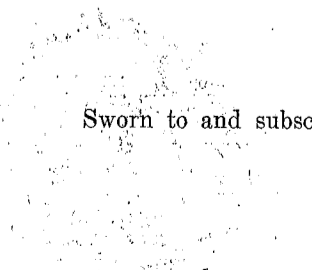
known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know the above-named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said *A. B. Keener* has been a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas since prior to March 1, A. D. 1880, and that they have no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness) *W. H. Key*

(Signature of Witness) *Rush Shaw*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *7<sup>th</sup>* day of *July*, A. D. 19*09*

*J. H. McHaney*  
County Judge *Gregg* 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 Harrison

Before me H. F. Syrett, County Judge of Harrison County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared J. A. Elgin & H. W. Heartzell, 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 <sup>above</sup> application are correct and true, to the best of their knowledge and belief, <sup>as to the service of L. F. Keener</sup> 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:

Applicants state that they were in the same Company with said L. F. Keener and served with him during the war, that he was a good and honorable soldier and never deserted the Confederate service.  
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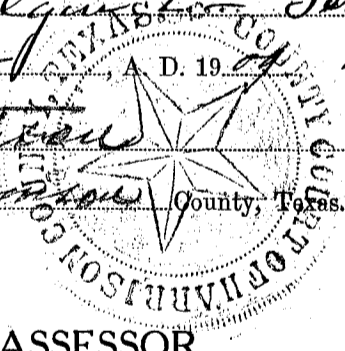
(Signature of Witness) W. W. Heartzell Orderly Sergeant of Co. D. Morgan's Regt. Cavalry 1st Div.

(Signature of Witness) John A. Elgin 2nd Sargent

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 30th day of November, A. D. 1910

H. F. Syrett  
County Judge Harrison County, Texas.

[SEAL.]



CERTIFICATE OF STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR

I, Matt Cwings, State and County Assessor in the County of Groesbeck, State of Texas, do hereby certify that Mrs. A. B. Keener,

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 \$900.00 dollars.

Given under my hand, this 21 day of Jan, A. D. 1910

Matt Cwings  
State and County Assessor.



John A. Elgin + W. W. Heartzell