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~~FORM No. 2.~~ *3*

CONFEDERATE PENSION APPLICATION.

Name of Applicant,

*Mrs S. E. Kirby
Gregg* County.

Post Office *Longview Texas*

Comptroller's File No. *1654*

Dead
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 *1st* day of *Oct*

A. D. *1899*
W. J. Galvan
Pension Clerk.

I hereby *approve* the within application for pension, this *11th* day of *October* A. D. *1899*

J. L. Kelly
Comptroller.

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FORM No. 2.

APPLICATION of Indigent widow of 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 Gregg County, Texas.

Your petitioner, Mrs. S. E. Kirby respectfully represents that she is a resident citizen of Gregg County, in the State of Texas; that she is the widow of James A. Kirby, deceased, who was a Confederate soldier (or sailor), and that she makes this application for the purpose of obtaining a pension as the widow of said James A. Kirby, deceased, 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 Sophia E. Kirby
- Q. What is your age? Answer sixty one
- Q. In what County do you reside? Answer Gregg
- Q. How long have you resided in said County and what is your post office address? Answer Ten years, Langview, Gregg Co., Texas
- Q. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate Pension Law heretofore, and been rejected? If so state when and where. Answer I have not.
- Q. What is your occupation if able to engage in one? Answer I am not able.
- Q. What is your physical condition? Answer Very poor.
- Q. What was the name of your deceased husband? Answer James A. Kirby.
- Q. Were you married to him anterior to March 1, 1866? If so, on what date were you married to him and where? Answer December 27, 1865, Moscow, Texas.
- Q. What was the date of his death? Answer September 19, 1863.
- Q. Are you unmarried, and have you so remained unmarried since the death of your said husband for whose services you claim a pension? Answer I am unmarried & have remained so.
- Q. State in what company and regiment your deceased husband for whose services you claim a pension enlisted in the Confederate Army, and the time of his service therein? Answer Company 74, 4th Texas, Hood's Brigade.
- Q. If your deceased husband served in the Confederate Navy, state when and where, and the time of such service? Answer He did not.
- 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 so received. Answer I recieved a veteran donation land certificate about 1882.



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.

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 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 your deceased husband for whose services you claim a pension, 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 I have.

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

(Signature of Applicant) Mrs. S. E. Kirby

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10 day of July A. D. 1899

(SEAL)

J. N. Campbell
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. N. Campbell
County Judge of Gregg County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared

John T. Poe and C. H. Poe

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. S. E. Kirby, applicant for a pension as the widow of

James A. Kirby, deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of the said

James A. Kirby, deceased; that they personally know that the said

James A. Kirby, deceased, enlisted in the service of the Confederacy, and performed the duties of a soldier (or sailor) as claimed by his said widow in the above and foregoing application, and that they further

know that the said Mrs. S. E. Kirby, widow of the said

James A. Kirby, deceased, is unable to support herself by labor of any sort.

(Signature of Witness) John T. Poe

(Signature of Witness) C. H. Poe

(Signature of Witness) _____

(Signature of Witness) _____

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10 day of July A. D. 1899

(SEAL)

J. N. Campbell
County Judge Gregg County, Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY JUDGE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Gregg } I, J. N. Campbell
County Judge of Gregg County, State of Texas, do hereby certify that on the 14"

day of August A. D. 1899, before me came on to be heard the application of

Mrs. S. E. Kirby widow of

James A. Kirby deceased, 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. I also certify that the said applicant Mrs S. E. Kirby

is not disqualified under any of the provisions of Section 12, of the Confederate Pension Law. I further certify that after considering all

of the proceedings had before me relative to the said application for a pension by the said Mrs. S. E. Kirby

as widow of James A. Kirby

deceased, I find the said applicant is lawfully entitled to the pension provided for by the Confederate Pension Law of this State, and I

hereby approve said application.

Witness my hand and seal of office at Longview this 14"

day of August A. D. 1899

J. N. Campbell
County Judge Gregg County, State of Texas.

(SEAL)

CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Gregg } We, the undersigned members of the Commissioners Court of

Gregg County, Texas, hereby certify that the foregoing application of Mrs. S. E. Kirby

widow of James A. Kirby deceased, for a pension,

together with the proof in support thereof, was duly submitted by Hon. J. N. Campbell

County Judge of this Gregg County, to the Commissioners Court of this Gregg

County, at a regular term thereof on the 14" day of August A. D. 1899, 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 Longview this 14"

day of August A. D. 1899

(Signatures of Commissioners.)

Ed Boston
O. J. Bruce
E. B. Penick
W. B. Beussman



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