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FORM NO. 1.

CONFEDERATE PENSION APPLICATION.

8702

Name of Applicant

M. A. Matthews

County

Post Office

Donahoe

Comptroller's File No.

8702

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

20 day of *February*

A. D.

1902

C. O. Colmes
Pension Clerk

I hereby approve the within application for pension, this

FEB 20 1902 day of

A. D.

[Signature]
Comptroller

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

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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 Gregg

To the Honorable County Judge of Gregg County, Texas.

Your petitioner, N. A. Matthews respectfully represents that he is a resident citizen of Gregg 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 N A Matthews
- Q. What is your age? Answer 61 years 62 next Sept
- 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 27 years Longview Texas
- Q. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate Pension Law heretofore, and been rejected? If so state when and where. Answer yes Gregg Co. Rejected on account of witnesses
- Q. What is your occupation if able to engage in one? Answer not able to engage in one
- Q. What is your physical condition? Answer Very Bad
- 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 This is caused by Hemia
- Q. State in what company and regiment you enlisted in the Confederate army, and the time of your service. Answer Co "C" 3rd Miss Inf 4 yrs service
- Q. If you served in the Confederate navy state when and where, and the time of your service. Answer no
- 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 None
- 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 1/4 acres of land worth about 75.00 Two mules 25.00 each

not filling out blank + not answering questions



- 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 None
- Q. Did you ever desert the Confederacy? Answer No Sir
- 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 his application for pension be approved and that such other proceedings be had in the premises as are required by law.

(Signature of Applicant) N A Matthews

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 23rd day of November A. D. 1901

(SEAL.)

J. J. Smith
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. J. Smith

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

P. J. Cochran

who ~~are~~ personally known to me to be credible citizens, who being by me duly sworn on oath, state that they personally know

N A Matthews the above named applicant for a pension, and that they

personally know that the said N A Matthews 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) P. J. Cochran

(Signature of Witness).....

(Signature of Witness).....

(Signature of Witness).....

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 23 day of Nov A. D. 1901

(SEAL.)

J. J. Smith
County Judge Gregg County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF PHYSICIAN.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Gregg

Before me J. T. Smith

County Judge of Gregg County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared L. D. Stansbury

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 M. A. Mathis

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: a very Bad Hernia

(Signature of Physician) L. D. Stansbury

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10 day of January A. D. 1902

(SEAL)

County Judge Gregg County, State of Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY JUDGE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Gregg

I, J. T. Smith

County Judge of Gregg County, State of Texas, do hereby certify that on the

day of January A. D. 1902, before me came on to be heard the application

of M. A. Mathis 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 L. D. Stansbury

who is a reputable practicing physician of this County, was made before me. I also certify that the said applicant M. A. Mathis

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 M. A. Mathis 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 Longview this 10th

day of January A. D. 1902

(SEAL)

County Judge Gregg County, State of Texas.

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

M. A. Mathis for a pension, together with the proof in support thereof, was duly submitted

by Hon. J. T. Smith County Judge of this Gregg

County, to the Commissioners Court of this Gregg County, at a regular term thereof on the 12

day of February 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 Longview this 12

day of February A. D. 1902.

(Signature of Commissioners)

(SEAL)

W. B. Jenney
J. C. Curry
D. D. Pindman

any other sailor of the same name as said N A Matthews applicant, serving in the same command?

If you say that you so knew other soldiers or sailors of the same name of 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 N A Matthews 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 on conjecture?

CROSS INT. 4. Do you know whether or not the said N A Matthews applicant for pension, ever deserted the service in the Confederate army or navy?

THE STATE OF TEXAS,)

County of Gregg)
J. J. Smith

I, J. J. Smith 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.

J. J. Smith
County Judge Gregg County, Texas.
W. A. Matthews
(Applicant.) Attorney.... for Applicant.

In Re
Application for Confederate
Pension.

IN COMMISSIONERS' COURT,

W. A. Matthews
County, Texas

Pending before County Judge of said County.

Ex Parte

N A Matthews
Applicant.

INTERROGATORIES
PROFOUNDED TO

N A Matthews

Witnesses.

EX PARTE

N. A. Matthews
Applicant for Confederate Pension.

Pending in the Honorable Commissioners' Court
of *Gregg* County, Texas,
before the Honorable County Judge of said County.

The Honorable County Judge of *Gregg* County, Texas,
will please take notice that, five days after the service hereof, applicant hereby will apply to the Clerk of the County Court of
said County and State, for a commission to take the depositions of *J. C. Matthews*
and *Miss* who reside in the County of *Harris*
in the State of *Miss* 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 *Gregg* and State of Texas, of which he is a bona fide resident.

James B. Hayward
(Applicant's) Attorney for Applicant.

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

J. C. Matthews

- 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 *N. A. Matthews* who is an applicant for pension under Act of May 12, 1899?
- INT. 3. How long have you known the said *N. A. Matthews* applicant for pension and when and where did you first know him?
- INT. 4. Do you personally know that the said *N. A. Matthews* 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 *N. A. Matthews* 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 *N. A. Matthews* the said applicant for pension, is unable to support himself by labor of any sort?

CROSS INTERROGATORIES.

To be Propounded to *J. C. Matthews*

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 you knew of any other soldier or sailor by the name of *N. A. Matthews* serving in the same company or regiment in which you say the said applicant, *N. A. Matthews* 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



EX PARTE

IN RE APPLICANT FOR CONFEDERATE PENSION

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

N.A. Matthews

Gray

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

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

Answers and depositions of (1).....

*J.C. Matthews
Jackson Miss.*

to the accompanying interrogatories (2).....

and Cross Interrogatories

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

in accordance with the accompanying (5).....

agreement

To the first interrogatory the said

J.C. Matthews the

Witness, answers:

J.C. Matthews 55 yrs old. Texas Co.

Jackson Miss

Ques. 2. Ans. yes

Ques. 3. " *Yes all my life he is an elder brother*

Ques. 4. " *Yes I do, as a soldier*

Ques. 5. *Yes I do in Co. F. 3rd Miss*

Volunteer Infantry I think in the fall of 1862. I cannot say positively where he enlisted he served up to the surrender in 1865

Ques. 6. Ans. *I think he is I know when I saw him last in 1869 he was very badly ruptured*

Cross Ques. 1. I was in the same company and my name myself ankie. I never knew but one N.A. Matthews serving in same Co. or regiment

Cross Ques. 2. Ans. I am very certain he is

Cross Ques. 3. Ans. I know positively that on account of advancing years and the severe rupture above referred to that he is physically unable to make a living by labor it is not based on conjecture

Cross Ques. 5. I know he did not but I served faithfully to the end

B.C. Matthews



Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 5th day of Dec 1901

J. Fitzgerald
Justice of the Peace, Notary Public

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Blind

J. Fitzgerald Notary Public
(Here give name and official character of officer before whom taken.)

do hereby certify that J. C. Matthews

and J. C. Matthews are personally known to me to be credible citizens of said County and State, and that the foregoing answers of J. C. Matthews

the witness J. C. Matthews before named, and

whose name appear signed to the foregoing deposition, were made before me, and were sworn to and subscribed before me, by said witness (s)

Given under my hand and official seal, this the 5th day of Dec 1901

(L. S.)

J. Fitzgerald Notary Public

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

Blind County, Texas,

Before the Honorable County Judge of said County.

EX PARTE

J. C. Matthews

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

DEPOSITION

OF

J. C. Matthews

Witness _____ for Applicant.

Filed the _____ day

of _____

By _____ Clerk.

Deputy.

Fee for Taking Deposition, \$ _____