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FORM A

Soldier's Application for Pension

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

Name of Applicant

Jeni Lee

County

Postoffice

Wileyville, RFA #6

Filed

Aug. 10<sup>th</sup> 1912

Approved

Mar. 10<sup>th</sup> 1913

Pension allowed

Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> 1913

Rejected

Commissioner of Pensions

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S. H. Dent -  
George Dent -

Enfoula, Ala -

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FORM A

For Use of Soldiers, Who are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of

Gregg }  
Livi Tarr

I, Livi Tarr, 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 enlisted and served in the military service of the Confederate States during the war between the States of the United States, and that I did not desert the Confederate service, but during said war I was loyal and true to my duty, and never at any time voluntarily abandoned my post of duty in the said service; that I was honorably discharged or surrendered

(Give date and cause.)

that I have been a bona fide citizen of this State since prior to January 1, A. D. 1880, and have been continuously since a citizen of the State of Texas. I do further state that I do not hold any national, State, city or county office which pays me a salary or fees one hundred and fifty dollars per annum, nor have I an income from any other employment or other source whatever which amounts to one hundred and fifty dollars per annum, nor do I 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, nor does my wife own, nor does any one hold in trust for my wife, 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 that I am not an inmate of the Confederate Home, and I do further state that the answers given to the following questions are true:

1. What is your age? 69 yrs.
2. Where were you born? Chambers Co., Ala.
3. How long have you resided in Texas? since 1865
4. In what county do you reside? Gregg
5. How long have you resided in said county and what is your postoffice address? About 40 yrs. - Wilson, Tex. P. O. #6
6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law and been rejected? If rejected, state when and where. Have not applied
7. What is your occupation, if able to engage in one? Farming
8. In what State was the command in which you served organized? First enlisted in Ala.
9. How long did you serve? Give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge. Enlisted 1861 served until May 1865
10. What was the letter of your company, number or name of battalion, regiment or battery? Dent's Battery C.S.A.



11. If transferred from one command to another, give time of transfer, name of command and time of service.

I first served about 8 mos. Infantry & then went into the Artillery

12. What branch of the service did you enlist in—infantry, cavalry, artillery or navy?

Infantry - later Artillery

13. If commissioned direct by the President, what was your rank and line of duty? *not*

*Commissioned*

14. If detailed for special service, under the law of conscription, what was the nature of your service and how long did you serve? *no*

15. 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 his application for pension be approved and such other proceedings be had in the premises as are required by law.

(Signature of Applicant) *Levi Teel*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *13* day of *July*, A. D. 19*12*

[SEAL.]

*J. H. McHarey*  
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. McHarey*, County Judge of *Gregg* County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *R. B. Barber & A. Kellingworth*, who are personally

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

*Levi Teel* the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said

*Levi Teel* has been a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas since prior

to January 1, A. D. 1880, and that they have no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness) *R. B. Barber*

(Signature of Witness) *A. Kellingworth*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *20* day of *July*, A. D. 19*12*

[SEAL.]

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

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

(If possible, the two witnesses should have served with the applicant in the army, and, if so, let them, or either, state it in their oath, their source of knowledge; also any information regarding applicant's army service.)

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 sworn, on oath state that they are personally acquainted with the foregoing applicant, and that the facts set forth and statements made in his application are correct

*Robert T. Kellingworth*

and true, to the best of their knowledge and belief, and that they have no interest in this claim, and said applicant's habits are good and free from dishonor. And.....further make oath to the following facts touching the applicant's service in the Confederate Army: (State fully your source of knowledge.)

[Dotted lines for text entry]

(Signature of Witness) .....

(Signature of Witness) .....

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this.....day of....., A. D. 19.....

[SEAL.]

County Judge.....County, Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF THE STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR

I, *Mr. Roy Owings* State and County Assessor in the County of *Gregg* State of Texas, do certify that *Levin Lee* or his wife, or his trustee, or trustee for his wife, 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 said county with estate, real, personal and mixed, at the assessed value of *Thirty* dollars.

Given under my hand, this *20* day of *July*, A. D. 19 *12*

*Mr Roy Owings by C.B. Perwick Deputy*  
State and County Assessor.





E. A. BUFORD, 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 Lewis Teel who is reported to have enlisted in  
 Company \_\_\_\_\_, Regiment Sevils Battery (Ala.)  
Infantry & Artillery  
 in the service of the Confederate States Army.

Purpose: 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. Buford  
 Commissioner of Pensions.



ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

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WAR DEPARTMENT

Address: "The Adjutant General,

War Department, Washington, D. C."

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WAR DEPARTMENT,

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, August 27, 1912.

*Respectfully returned to the*

Commissioner of Pensions,  
State of Texas,  
Austin.

The records show that Levi Teel, private, Company F, (subsequently Company A,) 1st Alabama Infantry, Confederate States Army, enlisted March 20, 1861, and was discharged December 22, 1861, having reenlisted for the war in Captain Robertson's Company of Artillery.

A roll of Captain Robertson's Company of Light Artillery, (subsequently Captain Dent's,) shows that he enlisted December 21, 1861.

He surrendered at Citronelle, Alabama, May 4, 1865, and was paroled at Meridian, Mississippi, May 10, 1865.



The Adjutant General.

(A.G.O. 72-1)

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EX PARTE

Levi Teel  
Applicant for Confederate Pension.

Pending in 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 herein will apply to the Clerk of the County Court of said County and State for a commission to take the depositions of S.H. Dent and George Dent who reside in the County of Gregg in the State of Alabama 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 his claim for a pension under the Act of March 26, 1909, 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 es. residing in the County of Gregg and State of Texas, of which he is a bona fide resident.

(Applicant) Attorney.....for Applicant.

Direct Interrogatories to be Propounded to the Witness es.

S. H. Dent and George Dent

- 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 Levi Teel who is an applicant for pension under Act of March 26, 1909?
- INT. 3. How long had you known the said Levi Teel and when and where did you first know him?
- INT. 4. Do you personally know that the said Levi Teel 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 Teel 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 personally know that Levi Teel 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 Levi Teel 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.

(TX)

To be Propounded to S. H. Dent and George Dent

CROSS INTERROGATORY 1. If, in answer to the foregoing direct interrogatories, you have stated that you personally know or did know said Levi Teel 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 said Teel 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 Levi Teel serving in the same company or regiment, or special service in which you say the said Levi Teel enlisted, if you have stated that said Teel 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 Teel  
applicant serving in the same command, or the special service to which he was assigned?

If you say that you so know other soldiers or sailors of the same name of Levi Teel  
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 Levi Teel  
is the identical person serving as testified by you?

Cross INT. 3. Do you know whether or not the said Levi Teel  
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 Levi Teel  
deserted his command, or voluntarily abandoned his post of duty or the service during said war?

THE STATE OF TEXAS, }

County of Gregg

I, J. H. McHaney, 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 es may be attached hereto.

County Judge Gregg County, Texas.

(Applicant) Attorney.....for Applicant.

In Re  
Application for Confederate  
Pension.

FOR USE OF SOLDIERS OR WIDOWS.

County, Texas.

Pending before the County Judge of said County.

EX PARTE

Applicant.

INTERROGATORIES  
propounded to

Witnesses.



Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 16 day of July, 1912  
Chas McCormick  
Notary Public

THE STATE OF Alabama  
County of Barbour

I, Chas McCormick  
(Here give name and official character of officer before whom taken.)

a Notary Public do hereby certify that J. H. Dent  
and Geo H Dent are personally known to me to be credible citizens of said  
County and State, and that the foregoing answers of J. H. Dent and  
Geo H Dent the witnesses 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 (4) respectively

Given under my hand and official seal, this the 16 day of July, 1912

(L. S.) Chas McCormick  
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 \_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas.  
Before the Honorable County Judge of said County.

**EX PARTE**

Applicant for Confederate Pension

**DEPOSITION**  
OF

Witness \_\_\_\_\_ for Applicant.

Filed \_\_\_\_\_ day \_\_\_\_\_  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 191\_\_\_\_  
By \_\_\_\_\_, Clerk.  
Deputy.

Fee for Taking Deposition, \$ \_\_\_\_\_

That he has not seen Levi Lee  
since May 1935 & can only judge  
from circumstances that he is <sup>in</sup>  
some manner also served in the  
Carpenter's army as stated above  
in Dentist Battery Co A

Geo. H. Dent O S  
Dent Battery Co A

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*[Faint, illegible handwritten notes and scribbles]*

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- (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.

EX PARTE

IN RE APPLICANT FOR CONFEDERATE PENSION

Under Act March 26, 1909, pending In Gregg

Levi Teel

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

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

Answers and depositions of (1) S. H. Dent and George Dent

to the accompanying interrogations (2) and Cross Interrogatories

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

in accordance with the accompanying (7) agreement.

To the first interrogatory the said S. H. Dent

Witness, answers

- I H. Dent - 78 years - Rufous Alabama Co. 1st Regt the same.
2. I know personally Levi Teel at least I knew him from Dec 1861 to May 1865 -
  3. answered in answer to 2nd Int. - I knew him first at Pensacola Fla & from Dec 1861 to May 1865 - I knew him as a member of Dent's Battery.
  4. I know that Levi Teel transferred from some Infantry Regiment in Dec 1861 - it was then known as Robertson's Battery later as Dent's Battery.
  5. Levi Teel enlisted in Dec 1861 as above stated & served from that time until he surrendered with the Battery at Meridian Miss May 9, 1865 under Genl Richard Taylor.
  6. Levi Teel was a private in the Battery from the beginning to the end of his service as now remembered.
  7. He was not - but was in active service all the time. He served as a private as above stated from Dec 1861 May 9<sup>th</sup> 1865.

(TX)

To the 1st Int. S. H. Dent answers that he personally knew Levi Teel. That he never knew or heard of any other man in the Confederate Service named Levi Teel.

To the 2<sup>nd</sup> X Det - He answers that he does not know that the applicant is the identical person who served as stated in answer to direct interrogatories as he has not seen him since May 1865 - but he had a letter from Levi Teel & from the information furnished in that letter he judges that he is the same man who served with him as stated -

To the 3<sup>rd</sup> X Det - He answers that after Robertson's promotion he was Captain of the Battery & knows that David Teel served faithfully from the time of his enlistment until his discharge in May 1865 -

To the 4<sup>th</sup> X Det - He answers that he knows Levi Teel did not desert his command - but was always ready & at his post of duty -

J. H. Dantzler  
Captain 2<sup>nd</sup> Battery 1<sup>st</sup> Div.

To the Direct Interrogatories from 1<sup>st</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> -  
The witness A. Dantzler answers that he joined the Battery in the summer of 1862 while it was on the march into Kentucky - that when he joined he found Levi Teel a member of the Battery & that he continued a member from that time until the Company of the Battery surrendered in May 1865 - that he became orderly sergeant of the Company & thus was familiar with every man in the Company -

To the X Det from 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> he answers that as orderly sergeant he was familiar with every man in the Company & that he can answer & state as to the services of David Teel from personal knowledge & has so answered & stated -

Winters Texas  
 April 8, 1917-

Mr. J. H. Buford.

Dear Sir  
 I would like to know  
 what is the matter with my  
 papers that I lost - if my  
 pension they have been  
 sent all every since last  
 July. please let me hear  
 from them at once.

Yours very truly  
 Lewis Teel.

Winters Texas.  
 P. O. Box 27.

