

7

Feb 20 1914  
Morton  
A. 4

28729 -

FORM A  
80027

2-b-34  
Soldier's Application

for a Pension

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

Name of Applicant.

J. M. Wood

Gregg

County.

Postoffice Gladewater, Tx.

Filed June 17 1914

Approved June 16 1914

Pension allowed from Sept 12 1914

Rejected

W. C. Steves

Commissioner of Pensions.

W. E. Steck, Printing, Bookbinding, Austin

For Use of Soldiers Who Are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Gregg  
 I, J. A. Welch

do hereby make application to the Commissioner of Pensions for a pension to be granted me under the Act passed by the 33rd Legislature of the State of Texas, and approved April 7, 1913, 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; or (that I was in the service of the State of Texas during the war, to protect said State against the Indians and Mexicans for more than 6 months). 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. 1900, 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 of \$300.00 per annum, nor have I an income from any other employment or other source whatever which amounts to \$300.00 per annum, nor do I receive from any source whatever money or other means of support amounting in value to the sum of \$300.00 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, exclusive of a home of the value of not more than \$1000.00; 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? 70 years
2. Where were you born? Macon Co. Ala.
3. How long have you resided in Texas? Since 1869
4. In what county do you reside? Gregg
5. How long have you resided in said county, and what is your postoffice address? 18 months - Gladiwater Tr., Route #2
6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law and been rejected? If rejected, state when and where Have not applied before
7. What is your occupation, if able to engage in one? Farm What is your physical condition? Poor
8. In what State was the command in which you served organized? Ala.
9. How long did you serve? Give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge. Enlisted Feb. 1862 and served until the surrender
10. What was the letter of your company, number of battalion, regiment or battery? Co. "H" 1st Ala. Regt.
11. If transferred from one command to another, give time of transfer, name of command and time of service was not transferred
12. What branch of the service did you enlist in—infantry, cavalry, artillery or navy? at first called heavy artillery - and partly Infantry



13. If commissioned direct by the President, what was your rank and line of duty?

*non 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?

*was not*

15. What is the assessed value of your home, if you own a home? *\$600<sup>00</sup>*

16. What is the assessed value of your other property? *\$265<sup>00</sup>*

17. 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 a pension be approved and such other proceedings be had in the premises as are required by law.

*J A Welch*

(Signature of Applicant.)

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *24* day of *June*, A. D. 191*4*

*J. McHurray*  
*Gregg*

County Judge \_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas.

[Seal.]

**AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES**

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

**THE STATE OF TEXAS**

County of *Gregg*

Before me *J. McHurray* County Judge of *Gregg* County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *J. McCord & E. Hamon*, who are personally

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

*J. A. Welch* the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the

said *J. A. Welch* has been a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas since prior

to January 1, A. D. 1900, and that they have no interest in his claim

(Signature of Witness)

*J. J. McCord*

(Signature of Witness)

*E. Hamon*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *25* day of *June*, A. D. 191*4*

*J. McHurray*  
*Gregg*

County Judge \_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas.

[Seal.]

**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 per-

*W. H. Hamon*



The State of Texas.

County of *Smith*

Before me, the undersigned authority on this day personally appeared, *Nathan Pittman* - - - known

to me to be a credible citizen, who being by me duly sworn, on oath says, that he is personally acquainted with *J.A. Welch* - - -

who - - - who is a resident of Gregg county Texas and an applicant before the county judge of said county, for a pension as a *Confederate Soldier* - - - ; that he has no inter-

est in said claim; and states the following facts touching the services of the said *J.A. Welch* - - - in the Confed-

erate Army, which he knows of his own personal knowledge, to wit; -  
*I Nathan Pittman am 69 years old, and served in the Confederate Army and I personally know that J.A. Welch served in the Confederate Army as he was an officer in my Company and I know that he did not desert his post of duty.*

(signed) *N. Pittman* - - -

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the *25* day of June 1914.

*seal here* - - - *J.A. Mallory* - - -  
- *Notary Public Smith County Texas*

The State of Texas.

County of *Smith* - - - I, *Jesse F. Odum* - -

county judge, of *Smith Co.* - - - Texas, do hereby certify th at

- *Nathan Pittman* - - whose name is subscribed to the foregoing affidavit, is a resident citizen of said *Smith* - county Texas and that said witness <sup>is</sup> of trustworthy character and entitled to credit.

Given under my hand and seal of office this the *7th* day of *aug* -

A.D. 1914.

*Jesse F. Odum*  
County Judge, *Smith* County, Texas. (TX)

The State of Texas.

County of Kaufman

Before me, the undersigned authority on

this day personally appeared, L. W. Wynn known

to me to be a credible citizen, who being by me duly sworn, on oath says, that he is personally acquainted with J. A. Welch

who-- who is a resident of Gregg county Texas and an applicant before the county judge of said county, for a pension as a Confederate Soldier; that he has no inter-

est in said claim; and states the following facts touching the services of the said J. A. Welch in the Confed-

erate Army, which he knows of his own personal knowledge, to wit; -

*Applicant is 69 years of age and served in the same division as applicant J. A. Welch in the Confederate Army. Applicant personally knows that J. A. Welch assisted in the Confederates service in the Spring of 1862, in Co. 87 1st Alabama Infantry, and that applicant was a loyal and faithful soldier during the war and did not desert and was honorably discharged at the close of the war. The said applicant was captured at Franklin, Tennessee and held in prison at Chicago, Cuba, New Orleans, etc. and released and discharged at the same time in May, 1865, and returned home to Mr. W. (signed) L. W. Wynn. Applicant personally knows all the facts above stated.*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 26 day of June 1914.

(see above)

James A. Cooley  
County Judge of Kaufman  
County, Texas

The State of Texas.  
County of Kaufman  
county judge of Kaufman  
L. W. Wynn

I, James A. Cooley  
County Judge of Kaufman  
Texas, do hereby certify that

L. W. Wynn whose name is subscribed to the foregoing affidavit, is a resident citizen of said Kaufman county Texas and that said witness of trustworthy character and entitled to credit.

Given under my hand and seal of office this the 25 day of June A.D. 1914.

James A. Cooley  
County Judge Kaufman County, Texas



APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Smith } I, T. E. Wiggins  
do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late J. A. Welch, who was a pensioner of the State of Texas, and whose file number was 28729 and whose original county was Gregg

The said pensioner J. A. Welch, died on the 3rd day of February, 1934, in the town of Winona County of Smith, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of T. E. Wiggins who was related to the pensioner as Nephew

That the warrant, which application is hereby made for, shall be applied to paying all or part of the funeral expenses incurred by the said pensioner J. A. Welch

I further certify that the warrant for the current quarter has not been cashed by the pensioner, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I am related to the pensioner as (Friend) Nephew that my postoffice address is Box #1 Street or R. F. D. Texas City Tyler State

Sworn to before me this 12th day of Feb, 1934 Signed T. E. Wiggins

Must return before 40 days expires from date of Pensioners' death

A. M. Smith J.P. Office  
Notary Public in and for Smith State of Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, J. B. Turner, do certify that I am undertaker in the town of Winona, County of Smith, State of Texas that I had charge of the body of J. A. Welch, who died in the town of Winona, County of Smith, State of Texas on the 3rd day of Feb 1934 That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 3rd day of Feb 1934, and that I am of the opinion that warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said T. E. Wiggins who makes the foregoing application.

Signed J. B. Turner Undertaker.

CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, J. C. Smith, do certify that I am a practicing physician, and that I attended J. A. Welch in his last illness, and am of the opinion that his ailments were due to 'Senility'

I further certify that I am of the opinion that the Mortuary Warrant above requested should be issued in the name of the aforementioned applicant, in accordance with Act passed by the Thirty-eighth Legislature and approved March 2, 1923.

Signed J. C. Smith M.D. Physician's Address Winona, Texas



Feb. 6, 1934

28 29