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FORM A.

Dead

Soldier's Application for a Pension

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

Head
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Name of Applicant.

W. A. Collier,

Anderson

County.

Postoffice

R# 5-

Palestine, Texas.

OCT 22 1915

Filed

Approved

Nov 2 - 1915

Pension allowed from

Mar 1 - 1916

Rejected

[Signature]
Commissioner of Pensions.

E. L. STECK, PRINTING, BOOKBINDING, AUSTIN.

For Use of Soldiers Who are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Anderson.

I, William Austin Collier 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 I surrendered at Appomattox Court House, Va, at close of war in 1865.

(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? York County, S.C.
- 3. How long have you resided in Texas? Since 1881 continuously
- 4. In what county do you reside? Anderson County, Texas
- 5. How long have you resided in said county, and what is your postoffice address? Since 1881 continuously; P.O. address: R # 5 - Palestine, Texas.

6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law and been rejected? If rejected, state when and where. NO

7. What is your occupation, if able to engage in one? Farm What is your physical condition? Fair

8. In what State was the command in which you served organized? South Carolina.

9. How long did you serve? Give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge. in Oct 1863 - and served 18 months until close of war.

10. What was the letter of your company, number of battalion, regiment or battery? Company B, 6th South Carolina Regiment

11. If transferred from one command to another, give time of transfer, name of command and time of service. NO

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



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

a Private

14. If detailed for special service, under the law of conscription, what was the nature of your service and how long did you serve?

Never detailed - A Volunteer

15. What is the assessed value of your home, if you own a home?

\$800.00

16. What is the assessed value of your other property?

\$410.00

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.

(Signature of Applicant.) *W A Collier*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *15* day of *Oct* A. D. 191*5*

E. V. Swift
Anderson

[Seal.]

County Judge *Anderson* County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of *Anderson*

Before me *E. V. Swift*, County Judge of *Anderson* County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *C. A. James + R. R. Sadler*.

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

W. A. Collier, the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said *W. A. Collier* 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) *C. A. James*

(Signature of Witness) *R. R. Sadler*

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E. V. Swift
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[Seal.]

County Judge *Anderson* County, Texas.

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(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-

THE STATE OF *Texas*

County of *Yamhill*

I, *W. B. Spivey, Notary Public for D.C.*
(Here give name and official character of officer before whom taken)

and *J. M. Armstrong* do hereby certify that *Brownie Merritt*
are personally known to me to be credible citizens of said
County and State, and that the foregoing answers of *Brownie Merritt*

J. M. Armstrong, the witness 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)

Given under my hand and official seal, this the *57* day of *April*, 191*5*
(L. S.) *Notary Public for D.C.*

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, and Notary Public, or any Commissioner of Deeds of Texas.



OFFICE OF
COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS
STATE OF TEXAS
AUSTIN

J. C. JONES, COMMISSIONER

To the Adjutant General,
War Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to request the military record of William Austin Collier who is reported to have enlisted in Company B, Regiment 6 South Carolina Inf.

in service in the Confederate States Army.

Purpose: The.....person above named is an applicant for a Confederate pension granted by the State, and I desire to verify his proof of service.

Very respectfully,



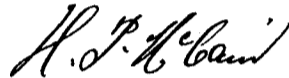
J. C. Jones
Commissioner of Pensions.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON. October 27, 1915.

Respectfully returned to the
Commissioner of Pensions,
State of Texas,
Austin.

The records show that W. A. Collier, name not borne as William Austin Collier, private, Co. B, 6th Regiment South Carolina Infantry, C.S.A., enlisted October 14, 1863, and was accounted for as present with his command on the roll for January and February, 1865, last on file in this office.

He was paroled as a prisoner of war April 9, 1865, at Appomattox Court House, Virginia.



The Adjutant General.

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The State of South Carolina #

County of York #

What are each of your names respectively ? How Old are you .
What is your Post Office Address ?

Answers: ① Barman 73 yrs. old York Mill
② J. M. Armstrong 72 yrs old York Mill S.C.

Question: Do you each know W. A. Collier, who resides in Anderson County, Texas. How Long have you known him ?

Answer: yes all his life ①
yes all his life ②

Question: Did you know the said W. A. Collier during the Civil War ? Where did you know him. Was he a Confederate Soldier ?

Answer: yes. no exact number & served with him
in Confederate army yes. ① & ②.

In what Company and regiment did you each serve ? In what Company and Regiment did the said W. A. Collier serve ?

Answer: C. B. 6th Se. Regt ① & ②.

Question: How long was the said Collier in the Civil War ? Did he What kind of a soldier did he make ? Did he ever voluntarily abandon his post of duty, or desert ? Did he serve until the close of the war. ?

Answer: He served 3 years. was good soldier. never deserted.
① & ②.

Question: Give in general what kind of a soldier he was, and tell me how you know these facts, and whether you served with him yourself in person. ?

Answer: Served in same Camp with him for 3 years.

W. L. Coch (Signed) Barman & Armstrong
J. M. Armstrong

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of Sept 1915.



(Seal) 32170

notary in judge

(Title) W. B. Shook

notary in judge for S.C.

COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS
RECEIVED
STATE OF TEXAS
AUSTIN

APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Anderson } I, W. R. Collier
do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late W. A. Collier, who was a pensioner of the State of Texas, and whose file number was 32170 and whose original county was Anderson

The said pensioner W. A. Collier, died on the 24th day of January, 1931, in the town of Palatine P. O. County of Anderson, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of his own home who was related to the pensioner as _____

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 W. R. Collier

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) son that my postoffice address is Palatine P. O. Street or R. F. D. _____ City _____ State Texas

Sworn to before me this 4th day of July, 1931. Signed W. R. Collier
John L. Lane
Notary Public in and for Anderson State of Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, J. B. Bailey, do certify that I am undertaker in the town of Palatine County of Anderson, State of Texas that I had charge of the body of W. A. Collier, who died in the town of Palatine, County of Anderson, State of Texas on the 24th day of January, 1931. That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 24th day of Jan, 1931, and that I am of the opinion that warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said J. A. & W. R. Collier, administrators who makes the foregoing application.

Signed J. B. Bailey Undertaker.

CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, E. W. Gunkel M.D., do certify that I am a practicing physician, and that I attended W. A. Collier in his last illness, and am of the opinion that his ailments were Failure of kidneys due to prostatic disease (enlargement)

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 E. W. Gunkel M.D. Physician's Address Palatine Texas

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

2-3-31