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FORM A.

Soldier's Application

for a Pension

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

Name of Applicant.

F. M. Baker,

Smith

County.

Postoffice **639 E. Erwin St., Tyler.**

Filed

Apr. 1914

Approved

J. M. Mohr, Jr.

Pension allowed

from Feb. 1914

Rejected

John W. Taylor

Commissioner of Pensions.

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FORM A

For Use of Soldiers Who Are In Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS


County of Smith.

I, F.M. Baker do hereby make application to the Commissioner of Pensions for a pension to be granted me under the Act passed by the 53rd 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 Discharged at close of war;

(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? 72 years old.
2. Where were you born? Arkansas.
3. How long have you resided in Texas? 22 years.
4. In what county do you reside? Smith.
5. How long have you resided in said county, and what is your postoffice address? 5 years.
Tyler, Texas, 639 E. Erwin St.
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? Farmer. What is your physical condition? Feeble
8. In what State was the command in which you served organized? Arkansas.
9. How long did you serve? Give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge. Enlisted in May 1861 and served until June 1865-four years.
10. What was the letter of your company, number of battalion, regiment or battery? Company I, 8th Arkansas Regiment. 
11. If transferred from one command to another, give time of transfer, name of command and time of service. Never transferred.
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?.....

Was not.

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?.....

Do not own any home.

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

Nothing.

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)

F.M. Baker

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15th day of April, A. D. 1914

[Seal.]

Jesse F. Odom
County Judge Smith County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of Smith }

Before me Jesse F. Odom, County Judge of Smith County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared Lillie C. Baker & J.R. Baker, who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know

F.M. Baker

, the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said F.M. Baker 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)

Lillie C Baker

(Signature of Witness)

J.R. Baker

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15th day of April, A. D. 1914

[Seal.]

Jesse F. Odom
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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-

EX PARTE

IN RE APPLICANT for CONFEDERATE PENSION

F.M. Baker

Under Act March 26, 1909, pending

in Smith

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

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

Answers and depositions of (1) John Franklin Steward and Franklin Parrin

to the accompanying interrogations (2) and cross-interrogatories

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

in accordance with the accompanying (7) agreement

To the first interrogatory the said John Franklin Steward

Witness, answers John Franklin Steward, age 70 years, McHues, Independence County Arkansas

To the 2nd Int., he answers: yes

To the 3rd Int., he answers: have known him about 57 years, first knew him at his home in Independence County, Ark

To the 4th Int., he answers: I did

To the 5th Int., he answers: I enlisted in Company "D" 8th Arkansas Regiment, Sept. 1861, Independence Co. Ark. served until end of war.

To the 6th Int., he answers: Not so Commissioned

To the 7th Int., he answers: In Quartermaster Department

To the 1st Cross-Int., he answers: was a comrad with him dont know of any other F.M. Baker

To the 2nd Cross-Int., he answers: Yes

To the 3rd Cross-Int., he answers: Yes

To the 4th Cross-Int., he answers: did not

To the 1st Int., the said Franklin Parrin, witness, answers: Franklin Parrin, Age 74 years, Batesville, Independence County Arkansas

To the 2nd Int., he answers: Yes

To the 3rd Int., he answers: have known him since 1862, at Pocahontas, Ark

To the 4th Int., he answers: Yes



To the 5th Int., he answers: he enlisted in Co "D" 8th Ark. Inf - Independence Co. Ark. & served until end of war.

To the 6th Int., he answers: No

To the 7th Int., he answers: *In Community Department*

To the 1st Cross-Int., he answers: *Served with him - do not know any other F. M. Baker*

To the 2nd Cross-Int., he answers: *Yes*

To the 3rd Cross-Int., he answers: *Ido*

To the 4th Cross-Int., he answers: *he did not*

*John Franklin Stewart
Franklin Brown*

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 11th day of April, 1914

My Commission expires Nov. 20, 1916

T. Albert N.P.

THE STATE OF Arkansas.

County of Independence

I, T. Albert a Notary Public
(Here give name and official character of officer before whom taken)

Parrin do hereby certify that John Franklin Steward
and Franklin Parrin are personally known to me to be credible citizens of said
County and State, and that the foregoing answers of John Franklin Steward and Franklin
Parrin, 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 es respectively

Given under my hand and official seal, this the 11th day of April, 1914

(L. S.)

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

use this for return
File No. _____

In Independence County, Texas,
Before the Honorable Judge of Said County.

EX PARTE

J. M. Warren
Applicant for Pension

DEPOSITION OF

Witness _____ for Applicant.

Filed _____ day

of _____, 1914

_____, Clerk.

By _____, Deputy.

Fee for Taking Deposition, \$ _____

Lined area for deposition text.

(IX)

- (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

F.M. Baker

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

Pending in **Smith** County,
Texas, before the Honorable County Judge of said
County.

The Honorable County Judge of **Smith** County, Texas, will please take notice that, five days after 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 **John Franklin Steward** and **Franklin Parrin** who reside in the County of **Arkansas** in the State of **Arkansas** 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 cannot be proven by any witness residing in the County of **Smith** and State of Texas, which **he** is a bona fide resident.

F. M. Baker

(Applicant) Attorney for Applicant.

Direct Interrogatories to be Propounded to the Witness

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



To be propounded to **John Franklin Steward and Franklin Parrin**

CROSS INTERROGATORY 1. If, in answer to the foregoing direct interrogatories, you have stated that you personally know or did know said **F.M. Baker** 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 **F.M. Baker** 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 knew of any other soldier or sailor by the name of **F.M. Baker** serving in the same company or regiment, or special service in which you say the said **F.M. Baker** enlisted, if you have stated that said **F.M. Baker** 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 F.M. Baker
applicant serving in the same command, or the special service to which he was assigned?

If you say that you know other soldiers or sailors of the same name of F.M. Baker
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 F.M. Baker
is the identical person serving as testified by you?

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS }
County of Smith.

I, Jesse F. Odom, 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 an-
swers to the hereinabove direct and cross interrogatories of the said herein named witness... may be attached hereto.

Jesse F. Odom
County Judge Smith County, Texas.

F. M. Baker
(Applicant) Attorney.....for Applicant.

Do not include for
~~Attorney~~
In Re

Application for Confederate
Pension

FOR USE OF SOLDIERS OR WIDOWS

Smith
County, Texas.

Pending before the County Judge of said County.

EX-PARTE
F. M. Baker
Applicant.

INTERROGATORIES
propounded to

Witnesses.
