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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.

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Name of Applicant:

Jno. H. Bonner
Smith County.

Postoffice *Tyler Texas*

Filed *2-8-23*

Approved *2-17-23*

Pension allowed from *12-1-22*

Rejected
Lon A. Smith
Commissioner of Pensions.

THE E. L. STECK CO., AUSTIN
W.R. Reg 2-8-23

For Use of Soldiers Who are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Smith

I, Jno. H. Bonner do hereby make application to the Commissioner of Pensions for a pension to be granted me under the Act passed by the Thirty-third 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 was ^{not} honorably

discharged. Neither did I surrender but after Genl. Lee's surrender that part of the army to which I belonged broke ranks and left for our ^{two} homes from Hemstead, Texas, on the 23rd day of May, 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 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 \$1,000.00; 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? Eighty one on the 12th day this month Feb/23
2. Where were you born? In Benton Jago County Mississippi
3. How long have you resided in Texas? Seventy ~~four~~ three years
4. In what county do you reside? Smith County
5. How long have you resided in said county, and what is your postoffice address? Forty Nine years. My post office address is Tyler Texas
6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law and been rejected? If rejected, TX state when and where. Have never applied for a pension
have none am badly crippled
7. What is your occupation, if able to engage in one?..... What is your physical condition? 1
in my hip - from a fall on the ice on Jan 12th 1918.
8. In what State was the command in which you served organized? Texas
9. How long did you serve? Give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge May 23rd 1861 - quit the service
and discharge May 23 1865.
10. What was the letter of your company, number of ~~battalion~~, regiment or ~~battery~~? Was first a
member of Company A. 2nd Texas Cavalry. In 1862 was transferred to
Company C. 18th Texas Infantry. And continued a member
of said Company and Regiment to the close of the war.
11. If transferred from one command to another, give time of transfer, name of command and time of service I was transferred in August 1862 from Company A. 2nd Texas Cavalry
to Company C. 18th Texas Infantry. Served just four years -
and Cavalry.
12. What branch of the service did you enlist in—infantry, cavalry, ~~artillery~~? first in
32nd Texas Cavalry. After ward transferred to Co. C. 18th Texas Infantry

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

I was promoted from the ranks in 1864 to 1st Lieutenant

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 never detailed for any special service*

15. What is the assessed value of your home, if you own a home? *I have no home*

16. What is the assessed value of your other property? *I have no property of any kind - My name is not on the Tax Rolls*

17. Have you transferred to others any property of any kind for the purpose of becoming a beneficiary under this law? *I have not*

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)

Jno. H. Bonner

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *7th* day of *Feb* A. D. 192*3*

W. R. P. [Signature]

[Seal.]

County Judge *Smith* County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of *Smith*

Before me *W. R. P. [Signature]*, County Judge of *Smith* County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *Gus F. Taylor and J. Fitzgerald*

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

know *Jno. H. Bonner*, the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally

know that the said *Jno. H. Bonner* 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. Fitzgerald*

(Signature of Witness) *Gus F. Taylor*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *7th* day of *Feb* A. D. 192*3*

W. R. P. [Signature]

[Seal.]

County Judge *Smith* 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 *Smith*

Before me *W. R. P. [Signature]*, County Judge of *Smith* County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *Gus F. Taylor and J. Fitzgerald*

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

We have no personal knowledge of the facts set forth and the statements made in his application except such as we ^{have} heard from the applicant himself, but knowing the applicant to be a honorable high tone man we have no reason to doubt the correctness of said facts and statements. It has been so long since the Civil War and the Confederate ranks have grown so thin that it is almost impossible to get the said facts and statements corroborated by a Confederate soldier.

(Signature of Witness) *J. F. Taylor*

(Signature of Witness) *J. W. Fitzgerald*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 7th day of Feb A. D. 1923

J. R. [Signature]

[Seal.]

County Judge Smith County, Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR



I, J. L. W. Keeler, State and County Assessor in the County of Smith State of Texas, do certify that Jas. H. Bonner, 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-third Legislature, approved April 7, 1913, is charged on the tax rolls of said county with a homestead of the value of _____ Dollars, and of other property, real or personal, or both, of the value of No property rendered Dollars.

Given under my hand, this 7 day of Feb, A. D. 1923

J. L. W. Keeler
State and County Assessor.



Comptroller's Department
State of Texas
Austin

LON A. SMITH, Comptroller.
W. T. GASTON, Chief Clerk.

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

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to request the military record of Jno H. Bonner who is reported to have enlisted in Company a, Regiment 7th Texas Cavalry, In 1862: transferred to Company B: 18th Texas Inf.

in service in the Confederate States Army.

Purpose: The above 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,
Lon A. Smith
Comptroller of Public Accounts.



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O.R. **WAR DEPARTMENT,**

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON. Feb.13,1923.

Comptrollers Dept.State of Texas,
Austin,Texas.

John H.Bonner,prt.Co.A,2 Regt.Tex.
Cav.C.S.A.EnlistedApr.1,1861,at
Rusk,and is shown to have been dis-
charged by reason of substitution
Sept,1,1862.

John H.Bonner,Ord.Sgt.18 Tex.Inf.
and 1 Lt.Co.C,18 Regt.Tex.Inf.C.S.A.
is shown to have enlisted May,23,
1861,at San Antonio,Tex,also shown
Apr.7,1862,at Rusk,He was appointed
1 Lt.Co.C, Feb.1,1864 from non-com-
missioned staff,and on Regtl.Return
for Apr.1865.is shown,Present,sick
at New Hempstead,Tex.No later rec-
ord has been found.

Robert C. Davis
The Adjutant General
By *du*

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APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Smith } I, O. W. Hoover

do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late John H. Bonner, who was a pensioner of the State of Texas, and whose file number was 38796 and whose original county was Smith

The said pensioner John H. Bonner, died on the 10th day of Sept, 1930, in the town of Tyler & County of Smith, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of O. W. Hoover who was related to the pensioner as Son in law

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 John H. Bonner

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 in law that my postoffice address is 414 West Elm Street or R. F. D. Tyler City Texas State

Signed O. W. Hoover

Sworn to before me this 24th day of September, 1930

Maudie Horner

Notary Public in and for Smith County, State of Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, J. F. Daniels, do certify that I am undertaker in the town of Tyler, County of Smith, State of Texas that I had charge of the body of John H. Bonner, who died in the town of Tyler, County of Smith, State of Texas on the 10 day of Sept 1930. That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 10th day of Sept 1930, and that I am of the opinion that warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said O. W. Hoover who makes the foregoing application.

Signed J. F. Daniels Undertaker.

CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, John W. Pope, do certify that I am a practicing physician, and that I attended John W. Bonner in his last illness, and am of the opinion that his ailments were Senility - Prostatitis.

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 John W. Pope Physician's Address Tyler Texas



STATE OF TEXAS, COMPTROLLER GENERAL

TO THE HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS OF THE LAND OFFICE

FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE PAYMENT OF THE

LAND TAX ON THE LANDS OWNED BY

THE STATE OF TEXAS

FOR THE YEAR 1930

IN THE AMOUNT OF

ONE HUNDRED AND NO DOLLARS

AND NO CENTS

FOR THE YEAR 1930

AS SHOWN ON THE

STATE TAX MAP

FOR THE YEAR 1930

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