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FORM No. 2.

CONFEDERATE PENSION APPLICATION.

Name of Applicant,

Mrs. Mary E. Burge

Quitman County.

Post Office

Stoville

Comptroller's File No.

3681

I have carefully examined the within application for pension, together with the proof in support thereof, and

I recommend that the application be

Approved

this

13<sup>th</sup> day of Oct

A. D.

1899  
H. J. Main

Pension Clerk.

I hereby approve the within application

for pension, this

13<sup>th</sup>

day of

Oct 1899

A. D.

M. D. [Signature]

Comptroller.

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APPLICATION of Indigent widow of Soldier or Sailor of the late Confederacy, for pension under the Act of May 12, 1899.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF

*Smith*

To the Honorable County Judge of *Smith* County, Texas.

Your petitioner, Mrs. *Mary E. Burge* respectfully represents that she is a resident citizen of *Smith* County, in the State of Texas; that she is the widow of *B. W. Burge*, deceased, who was a Confederate soldier (or sailor), and that she makes this application for the purpose of obtaining a pension as the widow of said *B. W. Burge*, deceased, under the act passed by the Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Texas, and approved May 12, A. D. 1899, the same being an act entitled "An act to carry into effect the amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing that aid may be granted to disabled and dependent Confederate soldiers, sailors, and their widows under certain conditions, and to make an appropriation therefor," and I do solemnly swear that the answers I have given to the following questions are true.

NOTE - Applicant must make answer to all of the following questions, and such answers must be written out plainly in ink.

- Q. What is your name? Answer *Mrs. Mary E. Burge*
- Q. What is your age? Answer *56 years old*
- Q. In what County do you reside? Answer *Smith County*
- Q. How long have you resided in said County and what is your post office address? Answer *40 years. Storrville - Texas -*
- Q. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate Pension Law heretofore, and been rejected? If so state when and where. Answer *No -*
- Q. What is your occupation if able to engage in one? Answer *House Keeping*
- Q. What is your physical condition? Answer *My health is good.*
- Q. What was the name of your deceased husband? Answer *B. W. Burge*
- Q. Were you married to him anterior to March 1, 1866? If so, on what date were you married to him and where? Answer *June 30 - 1860 - In Tex -*
- Q. What was the date of his death? Answer *He died in the fall of 1878.*
- Q. Are you unmarried, and have you so remained unmarried since the death of your said husband for whose services you claim a pension? Answer *yes - yes -*
- Q. State in what company and regiment your deceased husband for whose services you claim a pension enlisted in the Confederate Army, and the time of his service therein? Answer *In Capt. Shorpe's Co. "I" of Hubbard's Reg't - 4 years -*
- Q. If your deceased husband served in the Confederate Navy, state when and where, and the time of such service? Answer .....
- Q. State whether or not you have received any pension or veteran donation land certificate under any previous law, and if you answer in the affirmative state what pension or veteran donation land certificate you have so received. Answer *None*

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Q. What real and personal property do you now own, and what is the present value of such property? Give list of such property and value. Answer

*I have no property of any kind whatsoever*

Q. What property, and what was the value thereof have you sold or conveyed within two years prior to the date of this application? Answer

*None*

Q. What income, if any, do you receive? Answer

*Nothing*

Q. Are you in indigent circumstances; that is, are you in actual want, and destitute of property and means of subsistence? Answer

*Yes*

Q. Are you unable by your labor to earn a support? Answer

*Yes*

Q. Have you transferred to others any property of value of any kind for the purpose of becoming a beneficiary under this law? Answer

*None*

Q. Did your deceased husband for whose services you claim a pension, ever desert the Confederacy? Answer

*No*

Q. Have you been continuously since the first day of January, 1880, a bona fide resident citizen of this State? Answer

*Yes*

Wherefore your petitioner prays that her application for pension be approved and that such other proceedings be had in the premises as are required by law.

(Signature of Applicant)

*Mary E. Burge*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this *31* day of *July* A. D. *1899*

(SEAL)

*Geo. W. Cross*  
County Judge *Comit* County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES.

(NOTE—There must be at least two credible witnesses.)

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF *Comit* Before me, *Geo. W. Cross*

County Judge of *Comit* County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *R. B. Hubbard & W. H. Cousins*

who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who being by me duly sworn on oath, state that they personally know that Mrs. *Mary E. Burge*, applicant for a pension as the widow of

*B. W. Burge*, deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of the said

*B. W. Burge*, deceased; that they personally know that the said *B. W. Burge*, deceased, enlisted in the service of the Confederacy, and

performed the duties of a soldier (or sailor) as claimed by his said widow in the above and foregoing application, and that they further know that the said Mrs. *Mary E. Burge*, widow of the said

*B. W. Burge*, deceased, is unable to support herself by labor of any sort.

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

(Signature of Witness) *W. H. Cousins*

(Signature of Witness)

(Signature of Witness)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this *31* day of *July* A. D. *1899*

(SEAL)

*Geo. W. Cross*  
County Judge *Comit* County, Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY JUDGE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF *Smith*

I, *Geo. W. Cross*

County Judge of *Smith*

County, State of Texas, do hereby certify that on the *31*

day of *July*

A. D. *1899*

before me came on to be heard the application of

Mrs. *Mary E. Burge*

widow of *B. H. Burge*

deceased, for a pension under the Confederate Pension Law of this State, approved May 12, A. D. 1899; that the answers of said applicant to the questions propounded were made under oath as the same appear in writing in the foregoing application; that the affidavits of the witnesses who are credible citizens were made before me as the same hereinbefore appear. I also certify that the said applicant *Mary E. Burge*

is not disqualified under any of the provisions of Section 12, of the Confederate Pension Law. I further certify that after considering all of the proceedings had before me relative to the said application for a pension by the said Mrs. *Mary E. Burge*

as widow of *B. H. Burge* deceased, I find the said applicant is lawfully entitled to the pension provided for by the Confederate Pension Law of this State, and I hereby approve said application.

Witness my hand and seal of office at *Tyler*

this *31*

day of *July*

A. D. *1899*

County Judge *Smith*

County, State of Texas.

(SEAL)

CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF *Smith*

We, the undersigned members of the Commissioners Court of

*Smith* County, Texas, hereby certify that the foregoing application of Mrs. *Mary E. Burge*

widow of *B. H. Burge*

deceased, for a pension,

together with the proof in support thereof, was duly submitted by Hon. *Geo. W. Cross*

County Judge of this *Smith*

County, to the Commissioners Court of this *Smith*

County, at a regular term thereof on the *16*

day of *Aug.*

A. D. *1899*

and after a careful consideration of the same we find the said applicant is lawfully entitled to the pension provided for by the Confederate Pension Law of this State, and we hereby approve said application.

Witness our hands and seal of office at *Tyler Texas*

this *16*

day of *Aug*

A. D. *1899*

(Signatures of Commissioners.)

*W. B. Hairgrove* (TX)  
*J. A. Brown*  
*D. J. Epperson*  
*M. H. Lenoah*

(SEAL)