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FORM A.

Soldier's Application for a Pension

3-16-51 *Standa*

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

Name of Applicant.

M. W. Byers

Emil

County.

Postoffice

Tyler Rt 2

MAY 4 - 1915

Filed

Approved

May 17 1915

Pension allowed from

Sept 1 1915

Rejected

J. G. Jones

Commissioner of Pensions.

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For Use of Soldiers who are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Smith.

I, M.W.Byrd

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? 69 years of age.
2. Where were you born? Alabama.
3. How long have you resided in Texas? 28 years.
4. In what county do you reside? Smith.
5. How long have you resided in said county, and what is your postoffice address?
Two years. Post-office address, Tyler, Route 7.
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? Fair
8. In what State was the command in which you served organized? Mississippi.
9. How long did you serve? Give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge. Served 11 months.
10. What was the letter of your company, number of battalion, regiment or battery? Company A, 11th Miss. 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?
Cavalry.



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?.....

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.)

M. W. Blyden

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 30th day of April, A. D. 1915

James D. Dean

[Seal.]

County Judge Smith County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of.....

Before me....., County Judge of..... County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared.....

known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know....., the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said..... 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).....

(Signature of Witness).....

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this..... day of....., A. D. 191.....

[Seal.]

County Judge..... 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.....

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-

sonally 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..... further make oath to the following facts touching the applicant's service in the Confederate Army: (State fully your source of knowledge.)

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(Signature of Witness).....

(Signature of Witness).....

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this..... day of....., A. D. 191.....

[Seal.]

County Judge..... County, Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR

I, **W.A.Allen**....., State and County Assessor in the County of **Smith**.....

State of Texas, do certify that **M.W.Byrd**....., 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 **\$500.00**..... Dollars, and of other property, real or personal, or both, of the value of **\$440.00**..... Dollars.

Given under my hand, this **30th** day of **April,**..... A. D. 191 **5**

W A Allen
State and County Assessor.





OFFICE OF
COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS
STATE OF TEXAS
AUSTIN

J. C. JONES, COMMISSIONER

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 M. W. Byrd who is
reported to have enlisted in Company A, Regiment 11 Mississippi Cavalry

in service of 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.



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WAR DEPARTMENT,

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, May 11, 1915.

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

The records show that M. W. Byrd, private, Company H (also found as of Company A), Ham's Regiment Mississippi Cavalry, Confederate States Army, enlisted March 28, 1864. The regiment referred to above became, by order of March 20, 1865, part of the 11th Consolidated Regiment Mississippi Cavalry. The records of prisoners of war show that one M. W. Byrd, private of Company B of the last-named regiment, was paroled at Columbus, Mississippi, May 16, 1865.

H. J. McLean
The Adjutant General.

May 24, 1939

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M. W. Byrd, Deceased
Confederate Soldier
Pension File No. 31319
Smith County.

Mr. R. E. Sparkman
Italy, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of May 23, the records of this office show that M. W. Byrd drew a Confederate Pension from the State of Texas under file number 31319.

M. W. Byrd was a private in Company H (also found as Company A) Ham's Regiment Mississippi Cavalry, Confederate States Army. He enlisted March 28, 1864 and was paroled May 16, 1939.

The application for pension was approved on a report from the Adjutant General, War Department, Washington, D. C.

Yours very truly,

Geo. H. Sheppard
Comptroller of Public Accounts.

JHT:EE

(11)

Witness sign here: *R. J. Norman*

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this *26* day of *April*, 191*5*

Ed. Thomas J. and Goffis
Notary Public, Haskell County, Texas.

THE STATE OF *Texas*,
COUNTY OF *Haskell*.

I, _____
(Here give name and official character of officer before whom taken.)

do hereby certify that *R. J. Norman is*

and ~~is~~ personally known to me to be creditable citizens of said
County and State, and that the foregoing answers of *R. J. Norman*

the witness _____ before named, and _____

whose name appear^s 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 _____ day of *April*, 191*5*

(L. S.)

Notary Public, Haskell County, Texas.

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

Use this for answers

File No. _____
In *Smith* County Texas.

Before the Honorable County Judge of
said County.

EX-PARTE

Mr. W. Byrd

Applicant for Confederate Pension

DEPOSITION

of

R. J. Norman

Witness _____ for Applicant.

Filed _____ day

of _____, 191

By _____, Clerk.

By _____, Deputy.

Fee for Taking Deposition, \$ _____

- (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

IN RE APPLICANT FOR CONFEDERATE PENSION

Under Act March 26, 1909, pending

M.W. Byrd

in Smith

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

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

Answers and depositions of (1) R.J. Norman of Haskell County, Texas,

to the accompanying interrogatories (2) and cross-interrogatories propounded to him in the above entitled cause taken before (3) the undersigned authority in accordance with the accompanying (7) agreement

To the first interrogatory the said R.J. Norman

Witness, answers

To the 2nd Int., he answers: I knew Monroe Byrd

To the 3rd Int., he answers: 50 yrs. Mississippi & Texas

To the 4th Int., he answers: yes,

To the 5th Int., he answers: Best of my knowledge. 32nd Miss. at Vicksburg I suppose 3 yrs, dont remember keeping him till after peace.

To the 6th Int., he answers: Dont know.

To the 7th Int., he answers: Dont know.

To the 1st Cross-Int., he answers: Was personally acquainted with Monroe Byrd and know no other

To the 2nd Cross-Int., he answers: ~~am~~ Am satisfied he is but could not say unless I could see him.

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

To the 4th Cross-Int., he answers: Dont know



EX-PARTE

M.W.Byrd

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 R.J.Norman and who reside in the County of Haskell in the State of Texas 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.

M. W. Byrd (Applicant) Attorney for Applicant.

Direct Interrogatories to be Propounded to Witness

- INT. 1. What is your name? Age? Place of residence and postoffice address?
INT. 2. Do you personally know, or did you at any time know M.W.Byrd who is an applicant for pension under Act of March 26, 1909?
INT. 3. How long had you known the said M.W.Byrd and when and where did you first know him?
INT. 4. Do you personally know that the said M.W.Byrd 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 M.W.Byrd enlisted and served in the Confederate Army? When? Where? And the time of service?
INT. 6. Do you personally know that M.W.Byrd was commissioned as an officer directly by the President of the Confederate States?
INT. 7. Do you know further if M.W.Byrd was, under the provisions of the conscript law, detailed for any kind of special service in the field, shops, armories, etc., of the Confederacy?

CROSS INTERROGATORIES



To be propounded to R.J.Norman

CROSS INTERROGATORY 1. If, in answer to the foregoing direct interrogatories, you have stated that you personally know or did know said M.W.Byrd 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 M.W.Byrd 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 M.W.Byrd serving in the same company or regiment, or special service in which you say the said M.W.Byrd enlisted, if you have stated that said M.W.Byrd 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 M.W.Byrd
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 M.W.Byrd
then can you and how do you identify and locate the one from the other or others?

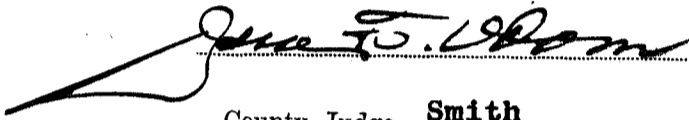
CROSS INT. 2. Are you positively certain that said M.W.Byrd
is the identical person serving as testified by you?

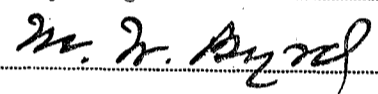
CROSS INT. 3. Do you know whether or not the said M.W.Byrd
served honorably from the date of his enlistment until the close of the late Civil War between the States or until he
was discharged from said company and regiment, or the special service to which he had been assigned?

CROSS INT. 4. Do you know whether or not the said M.W.Byrd
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.


County Judge Smith County, Texas.


(Applicant) Attorney.....for Applicant.

In Re

Application for Confederate Pension

FOR USE OF SOLDIERS OR WIDOWS

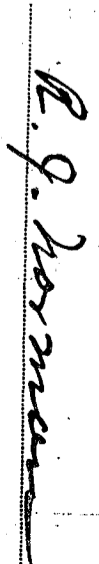
Smith County, Texas.

Pending before the County Judge of said County.

EX-PARTE


Applicant.

INTERROGATORIES
propounded to



Witnesses.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 9th day of March, 1911

G. M. Donough
Notary Public

THE STATE OF Texas,
COUNTY OF Grayson.

I, G. M. Donough
(Here give name and official character of officer before whom taken.)
Capt. Bill Parish is

Notary Public do hereby certify that

and ~~one~~ Capt. Bill Parish personally known to me to be creditable citizens of said County and State, and that the foregoing answers of Capt. Bill Parish

the witness before named, and
whose name appear^s 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 9 day of March, 1911
(L. S.)

G. M. Donough
Notary Public

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Use this for answers

File No. _____

In _____ County Texas.

Before the Honorable County Judge of said County.

EX-PARTE

Applicant for Confederate Pension

DEPOSITION

of _____

Witness _____ for Applicant.

Filed _____ day _____ of _____, 1911.

By _____, Clerk.

Deputy.

Fee for Taking Deposition, \$ _____

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EX-PARTE

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Under Act March 26, 1909, pending

M.W.Byrd

in Smith

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

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

Answers and depositions of (1) Capt. Bill Parish of Grayson County, Texas,

to the accompanying interrogatories (2) and cross-interrogatories propounded to him in the above entitled cause taken before (3) the undersigned authority in accordance with the accompanying (7) agreement

To the first interrogatory the said Capt. Bill Parish

Witness, answers

To the 2nd Int., he answers: I personally know M W Byrd

To the 3rd Int., he answers: I have known him all his life knew him in Adams County Miss

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

To the 5th Int., he answers: He enlisted in Co A. 11th Miss Calns in the year 1863 near Corinth Miss. and served until close of war

To the 6th Int., he answers: private

To the 7th Int., he answers: No.

To the 1st Cross-Int., he answers: I was personally acquainted with him and served with him in same company I knew of no other man by the name of M W Byrd

To the 2nd Cross-Int., he answers: I am positively certain that M W Byrd is the identical person serving as testified by me

To the 3rd Cross-Int., he answers: I know M W Byrd served honorably until close of war

To the 4th Cross-Int., he answers: He did not desert his Command or part of duty during the war

W. F. Parish

IX

EX-PARTE

M. W. Byrd

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 Capt. Bill Parish and Grayson in the State of Texas 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.

M. W. Byrd

(Applicant) Attorney for Applicant.

Direct Interrogatories to be Propounded to Witness

- INT. 1. What is your name? Age? Place of residence and postoffice address? W A Parish Van Alstyne Garza County Texas
INT. 2. Do you personally know, or did you at any time know M. W. Byrd who is an applicant for pension under Act of March 26, 1909? yes
INT. 3. How long had you known the said M. W. Byrd all his natural life and when and where did you first know him? in Mississippi County
INT. 4. Do you personally know that the said M. W. Byrd enlisted in the service of the Confederacy, and performed the duties of a soldier or a sailor? yes
INT. 5. Do you personally know in what company and regiment the said M. W. Byrd 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 M. W. Byrd 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 M. W. Byrd 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 Capt. Bill Parish

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not you know any other soldier or sailor of the same name as said M. W. Byrd
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 M. W. Byrd
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 M. W. Byrd
is the identical person serving as testified by you?

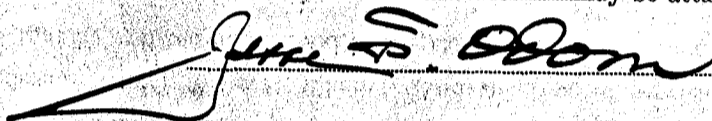
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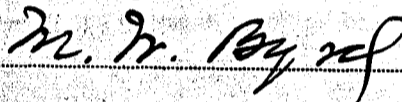
THE STATE OF TEXAS

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.



County Judge Smith County, Texas.



(Applicant) Attorney for Applicant.

In Re

Application for Confederate Pension

FOR USE OF SOLDIERS OR WIDOWS

County, Texas.

Pending before the County Judge of said County.

EX-PARTE

Applicant.

INTERROGATORIES
propounded to

Witnesses.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

RETURN

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of _____

Before me _____, County Judge of _____ County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared _____

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

M. W. Byrd, the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the

said *M. W. Byrd* 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) _____

(Signature of Witness) _____



Sworn to and subscribed before me, this _____ day of _____ A. D. 191 _____

[Seal.]

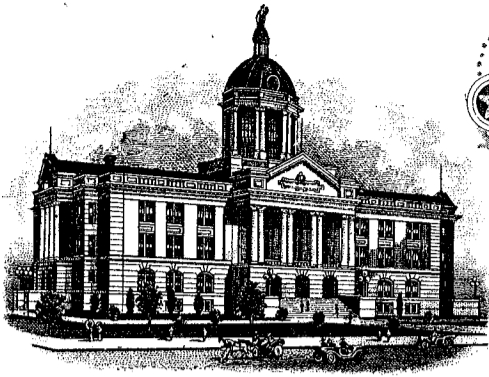
County Judge _____ County, Texas.

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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?.....
2. Where were you born?.....
3. How long have you resided in Texas?.....
4. In what county do you reside?.....
5. How long have you resided in said county, and what is your postoffice address?.....

6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law and been rejected? If rejected, state when and where



JESSE F. ODOM, COUNTY JUDGE.
N. W. BROOKS, COUNTY ATTORNEY.
I. N. CROSS, COUNTY CLERK.
J. S. LAVENDER, DISTRICT CLERK.

JOE LAND, SHERIFF.
GEO. C. BURRUSS, TAX COLLECTOR.
H. B. MATTHEWS, TAX ASSESSOR.

WILL S. DOBBS, COUNTY TREASURER.
F. M. BOYD, COUNTY AUDITOR.
D. M. EDWARDS, COUNTY SURVEYOR.
A. W. ORR, COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

W. R. HERNDON, PRECINCT No. 1.
C. T. MAY, PRECINCT No. 2.

I. B. CHRISTIAN, PRECINCT No. 3.
W. S. HICKS, PRECINCT No. 4.

TYLER, TEXAS, May 17th 1915.


Hon. J. C. Jones,
Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir:-

Mr. M. W. Byrd had not lived in this county very long, and hence could not make the proof of his residence in Texas by anybody living in Smith County. However, I procured this proof from McLennan County, and had same certified to by Judge Denton, and forwarded same to you with this application. I am sure if you will look closely through these papers, you will find this proof. If not, then I will endeavor to procure same again, and forward to you.

Kindly let me know whether or not you find this proof of his residence in Texas.

Yours very truly,


County Judge.



The State of Texas,
County of McLennan.

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared E. C. Smith and J. A. Elliott, who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know M.W. Byrd, the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said M.W. Byrd has been a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas since prior to January 1st A.D. 1900, and that they have no interest in his claim.

E. C. Smith
J. A. Elliott

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 13 day of March, 1915.

W. G. Hill

Notary Public, Smith County, Texas.

The State of Texas,
County of McLennan.

I, Geo. N. Denton, County Judge of McLennan County, Texas, do hereby certify that the above named witnesses, E. C. Smith and J. A. Elliott are of trustworthy character and entitled to credit.

Witness my hand at Waco, Texas, this 15 day of March, 1915.

Geo. N. Denton

County Judge, McLennan County, Texas.



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APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Smith } I, Mrs L. P. Byrd
do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of
the late M. W. Byrd, who was a pensioner of the State of
Texas, and whose file number was 31319 and whose original county was Smith.

The said pensioner M. W. Byrd died on the
9 day of March, 1937, in the town of Tyler
County of Smith, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of his
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 M. W. Byrd

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

I am related to the pensioner as Wife
that my postoffice address is 322 E. Bow St
Street or R. F. D. Texas
Tyler City

Signed Mrs L. P. Byrd
March 1937

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

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

CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, Jno J. Morgan, 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 M. W. Byrd, who died in the
town of Tyler, County of Smith, State of Texas
on the 9th day of March 1937. That said body was prepared for burial by me
on the 9th day of March 1937, and that I am of the opinion that
warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said Mrs. L. P. Byrd
who makes the foregoing application.

Signed Jno J. Morgan
Undertaker.

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CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, Edo R. Rice, do certify that I am a practicing
physician, and that I attended M. W. Byrd in his last illness, and
am of the opinion that his ailments were fairly general, probably due to injury
some time back gone weaker due to old age

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.

No more issued Signed Edo R. Rice
Physician's Address Tyler Texas

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