

Oct 23^d 1913

⑩ Dear Comrade
 your witnesses do not go into details enough - They do not give their age - nor do they tell whether they were Confederate soldiers or not - Nor do they give their source of knowledge - How they know you were a soldier - I believe your statement, but the law requires that you prove your service by two witnesses, these witnesses perhaps know enough if the officers will tell them how to do.
 Geo. W. Hayes
 Comr of Pensions

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FORM A.

**Soldier's Application
 for a Pension**

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

Name of Applicant.

J. J. Chapman

County.

Smith

Postoffice

Tyler Rt. 2

Filed

Aug. 30, 1913

Approved

Sept. 1, 1913

Pension allowed from

Dec. 1, 1913

Rejected

Geo. W. Hayes

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, T. J. Chapman 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 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? 67 years old.
2. Where where you born? Alabama.
3. How long have you resided in Texas? 42 years.
4. In what county do you reside? Smith.
5. How long have you resided in said county and what is your postoffice address?
42 years. Tyler, Route 2.
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. TX
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. About two years.
10. What was the letter of your company, number of battalion, regiment or battery? Company I, 2nd 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? 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. 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 pension be approved and such other proceedings be had in the premises as are required by law.

(Signature of Applicant)

T. J. Chapman

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 17th day of Sept., A. D. 1912

Jesse F. Odom

[Seal.]

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 *I. G. Moore & G. C. Burman*, who are personally

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

T. J. Chapman, the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said *T. J. Chapman* 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)

I. G. Moore

(Signature of Witness)

G. C. Burman

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 17th day of Sept., A. D. 1912

Jesse F. Odom

[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 *Jesse F. Odom*, County Judge of *Smith* County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *I. G. Moore*

who are personally known to me to be credible 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 this 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.)

The said I.G.Moore states that he personally knows that applicant served during the war as claimed by him;that he has known him practically all his life,and knows that he served in the Confederate Army during the war.

F.J.Cleveland states that he is 67 years of age;that he served in the Confederate Army with the applicant;was in the same company with him;applicant belonged to Co.I,2nd Ark.Reg.Cavalry;we were in the battle together at Jefferson City,Mo.Also in battle together near Booneville,Mo. Affiant states that he has known applicant for about 54 years,and as stated above served in the same company with him for about two years;that he made a good,faithful soldier,and did not desert.

(Signature of Witness) *I. G. Moore*

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

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *12th* day of *Sept*, A. D. 19*12*

[SEAL.]

Wm. B. Odum
County Judge.....*Smith*.....County, Texas. **TX**

CERTIFICATE OF STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR

I,, State and County Assessor in the County of

State of Texas, do certify that.....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 33rd Legislature, approved April 7, 1913, is charged on the land and personal property rolls of said county with estate, real personal and mixed, at the assessed value of.....dollars.

Given under my hand, this.....day of....., A. D. 19.....

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State and County Assessor.

EX PARTE

IN RE APPLICANT FOR CONFEDERATE PENSION

T.J. Chapman

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) F.J. Cleveland, who resides in Henderson County, Texas,

to the accompanying interrogations (2) and cross-interrogatories

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

in accordance with the accompanying (7) agreement

To the first interrogatory the said F.J. Cleveland

Witness, answers

*F.J. Cleveland age 68
Chandler Tex*

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

To the 3rd Int., he answers: *Since 1859 in
Arkansas*

To the 4th Int., he answers: *Yes as I see Reg*

Ark Regiment time of service 2 yrs

To the 5th Int., he answers: *42 year Tex Regt.*

To the 6th Int., he answers: *Private*

To the 7th Int., he answers: *Private Soldier*

To the 1st Cross-Int., he answers: *I dont know of
any other T.J. Chapman in the army*

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

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

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

F. J. Cleveland
Notary Public

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 9 day of Oct, 1913

J. B. Wiley J.P.
Notary Public

THE STATE OF Texas,
County of Henderson.

I, *J. B. Wiley J.P.*
(Here give name and official character of officer before whom taken.)

do hereby certify that F. J. Cleveland
and is ~~is~~ personally known to me to be creditable citizens of said
County and State, and that the foregoing answers of F. J. Cleveland
the witness before named, and

, whose name appears 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 September, 1913

(L. S.)

J. B. Wiley J.P.
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 or Record having a seal, any Notary Public, or any Commissioner of Deeds of Texas.

Use this form

File No. _____
In _____ County, Texas,
Before the Honorable County Judge of Said County.

EX PARTE

J. J. Chapman
Applicant for Confederate Pension

DEPOSITION
of

F. J. Cleveland

Witness for Applicant.

Filed _____ day

of _____, 191

_____, 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 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.

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Certificate of State and County Assessor.

I, **H. B. Matthews**, State and County Assessor in the County of **Smith**
State of Texas, do certify that **T. J. Chapman** 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 **Nine Hundred, Seventy and no/100** Dollars,

and of other property, real or personal, or both of the value of **Seven Hundred, Eighty and no/100**
Dollars.

Given under my hand, this **12th** day of **September**, **1913** A. D.



H. B. Matthews
State and County Assessor.

M. K. White, Deputy.

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EX-PARTE

T. J. Chapman,
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 the 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 F. J. Cleveland
and _____ who reside _____ in the County
of Henderson 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 evi-
dence upon the hearing of applicant's claim for pension in behalf of applicant; said testimony is material and in-
dispensable 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 re-
quired 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.

T. J. Chapman
(Applicant) Attorney for Applicant.

Direct Interrogatories to be Propounded to the Witness _____.

F. J. Cleveland

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

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To be propounded to F. J. Cleveland

CROSS INTERROGATORY 1. If, in answer to the foregoing direct interrogatories, you have stated that you personally know or did know said T. J. Chapman 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 T. J. Chapman 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 T. J. Chapman serving in the same company or regiment, or special service in which you say the said T. J. Chapman enlisted, if you have stated that said T. J. Chapman 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 T. J. Chapman

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 T. J. Chapman

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 T. J. Chapman

is the identical person serving as testified by you?

CROSS INT. 3. Do you know whether or not the said T. J. Chapman

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 T. J. Chapman

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 answers 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.

T. J. Chapman

(Applicant) Attorney for Appellant.

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

T. J. Chapman
Applicant.

INTERROGATORIES

propounded to

H. J. Cleveland

Witnesses.