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32657

FORM B.

DEAD

Widow's Application for a Pension

Coker

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

Dead

Name of Applicant.

Mrs. Martha Coker

Smith

County.

Postoffice

Tyler, TX

Filed MAR 27 1916

Approved *Mar. 27 - 1916*

Pension allowed from *Mar 1 - 1916*

Rejected

J. C. Jones

Commissioner of Pensions.

For Use of Widows of Soldiers who are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF Smith.

I, Mrs. Martha Coker, 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, A. D. 1913, on the following grounds:

I am the widow of Robt. Coker, deceased, who departed this life on the 22nd day of March, A. D. 1916, in the county of Smith, in the State of Texas

I have not remarried since the death of my said husband, and I do solemnly swear that I was never divorced from my said husband, and that I never voluntarily abandoned him during his life, but remained his true, faithful and lawful wife up to the date of his death. I was married to him on the 14th day of February, A. D. 1866, in the county of Mobile, in the State of Mississippi. ~~Alabama.~~

My husband, the said Robt. Coker, enlisted and served in the military service of the Confederate States during the war between the States of the United States, and that he did not desert the Confederate Service. I have been a resident of the State of Texas 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 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 anyone hold in trust for my benefit or use, estate or property, either real, personal or mixed, either in fee or for life, of the value of one thousand dollars, exclusive of the home of the value of not over \$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 I do further state that the answers given to the following questions are true:

1. What is your age? 88 years old.
2. Where were you born? South Carolina.
3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? 42 years.
4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? And what is your postoffice address? 25 years. Tyler, Texas, Route 5.
5. Did your husband draw a pension? If so, give his file number. Yes-No. 16625
6. What was your husband's full name? Robert Coker.
7. What was the date of his death? March 22nd 1916.
8. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? Miss.
9. How long did your husband serve? If known to you give date of enlistment and discharge. See his application on file at Austin.
10. What was the name or letter of the company, or number of the battalion, regiment or battery of artillery in which your husband served? If he was transferred from one branch of service to another, give time of transfer, description of command and time of service. See his application.
11. Name branch of service in which your husband served, whether infantry, cavalry, artillery or the navy, or if commissioned as an officer by the President, his rank and line of duty, or if detailed for special service, under the law of conscription, the nature of such service, and time of service. See his application.



12. 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 her application for a pension may be approved and such other proceedings be had in the premises as are required by law.

(Signature of Applicant)

Martha Coker

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 25th day of March, A. D. 1916

James T. Odom
County Judge Smith County, Texas.

[Seal.]

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

[Note.—There must be at least two creditable 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 A.S. Blakney and G.W. Massey, who are personally

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

Mrs. Martha Coker, applicant for a pension as the widow of Robt. Coker

deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of Robt. Coker deceased; that they personally

know that she has not remarried since the death of her husband, for whose service in the army she claims a pension,

and that they have no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness) A.S. Blakney

(Signature of Witness) G.W. Massey

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 25th day of March, A. D. 1916

Jesse F. Odom
County Judge Smith County, Texas.

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

above named applicant for pension, and that they personally know that the said Mrs. Martha Coker

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 this claim.

(Signature of Witness) A.S. Blakney

(Signature of Witness) G.W. Massey

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 25th day of March, A. D. 1916

Jesse F. Odom
County Judge Smith County, Texas.

[Seal.]

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

(If possible, the two witnesses should have served with the applicant's husband in the army, and if so, let them, or either of them, state it in their oath; also any information regarding the army service of applicant's husband.)

THE STATE OF TEXAS, }
COUNTY OF..... }

Before me,....., County Judge of.....County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared....., who 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 her application are correct and true, to the best of their knowledge and belief, and that they have no interest in this claim. And further make oath to the following facts touching the service of the applicant's husband in the Confederate Army; (State fully your source of knowledge) :.....

(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 Mrs. Martha Coker 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 None Dollars, and of other property, real or personal, or both, of the value of None Dollars.

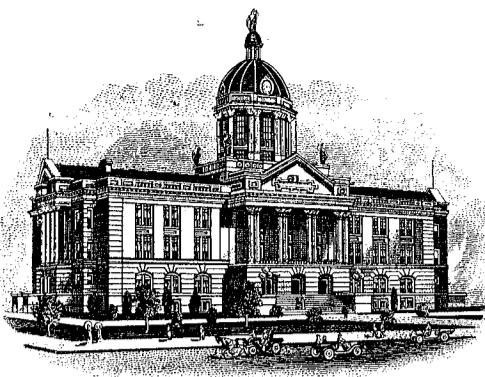
Given under my hand, this 25th day of March A. D. 1916

W.A. Allen

State and County Assessor.

Smith 32687

STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF SMITH



W. R. CASTLE, COUNTY JUDGE. WEBSTER JARVIS, COUNTY ATTORNEY. W. R. HUDNALL, COUNTY CLERK. WHIT OWEN, DISTRICT CLERK. TOM C. SIKES, SHERIFF. S. L. WATTS, TAX COLLECTOR. W. H. DAY, TAX ASSESSOR. W. H. FRIERSON, COUNTY TREASURER. B. M. BELL, COUNTY AUDITOR. D. M. EDWARDS, COUNTY SURVEYOR. E. J. BURNS, COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT. COUNTY COMMISSIONERS: W. L. WILKERSON, PRECINCT No. 1. J. A. EDWARDS, PRECINCT No. 2. R. M. KIRBY, PRECINCT No. 3. W. E. YARBROUGH, PRECINCT No. 4.

TYLER, TEXAS.

Jan. 16 1920.

*Dear Comptroller
Austin Texas*

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE
RECEIVED
JAN 19 1920
Referred to

Dear Sir:

Mrs. Martha E. Coker died in this County on Jan. 9th. She was drawing Confederate Pension from this State - was living in Smith County when pension was granted - We havent access to her pension number will have to ask you to look it up for us -

Please send blanks for Mrs. Tony Warrick to J. W. Mossey - Tyler Tex. R # 1 (mother) via W.R. Coates Express

Jan. 20, 1920.

Mr. J. W. Massey,
Tyler, Texas,
Route # 5.

Dear Sir :-

Complying with the request of Judge
Castle of January 16th, I am enclosing Mortuary
Warrant application blanks on account of the death
of Mrs. Martha C. Hoeker, a Confederate Pensioner.

Please have these blanks filled out
and return to this Department, when a warrant for
\$30.00 will be issued in favor of the party filing
claim.

Very truly yours,



Comptroller.

KR:t...
Encl.

32667

MORTUARY WARRANT ACCOUNT

J. L. ...
Texas, *Jan. 24*

1920

STATE OF TEXAS

To *W. M. ...* Dr.

WRITE ADDRESS PLAINLY *W. M. ...*

Account of Death of Pensioner No. *32657*, County *Smith*

Pensioner's Name in full *Mrs. Martie ...*

Account must be itemized, but Mortuary Warrant will not be issued for more than Thirty Dollars.

To ...
\$30.00



The above account for *Smith*
is just, due and unpaid.

Dollars

Sworn to and subscribed before me this *24* day of *Jan* 1920

Notary Public, *Smith* County, *Smith*

APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

RECEIVED CONTROLLER'S OFFICE JAN 26 1920

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Smith I, _____

do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late Mrs Martha C Colyer who was a pensioner of the State of Texas, and whose file number is 32651 and whose original county is Smith

The said pensioner Mrs Martha C Colyer died on the 7th day of Jan, 1920, in the town of Tyler County of Smith, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of Sidney Bladeney who was related to the pensioner as Grandson

That the warrant, which application is hereby made for, shall be applied to paying all or part of the expenses incurred by the said pensioner Mrs Martha C Colyer

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 and that my home is in the town of Tyler-R#5, County of Smith, State of Texas, that my postoffice address is Tyler, Texas R#5

Signed J. W. Massey

Before me W. R. Caster Judge in and for the County of Smith, State of Texas, personally appeared J. W. Massey, who being by me duly sworn did certify to, and sign the foregoing statement.

(Seal of Office) W. R. Caster Judge in and for Smith, Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, Geo H Pruitt do certify that I am an undertaker in the town of Tyler, County of Smith, State of Texas, that I had charge of the body of Martha C Colyer, who died in the town of Tyler, County of Smith, State of Texas on the 9 day of January 1920. That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 9 day of January, 1920. That said body was buried in the Hendrick Cemetery, which is located in the County of Smith, State of Texas, and that I am of the opinion that warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said J. W. Massey, who makes the foregoing application.

Signed Geo H Pruitt Undertaker.

CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, Wm Hodges do certify that I am a practicing physician, and that I attended Martha C Colyer in his last illness, and am of the opinion that his ailments were Old age (Senility)



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-fifth Legislature, and approved March 2, 1917.

Signed Wm Hodges Physician.

Physician's Address Tyler Texas