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WIDOW'S APPLICATION FOR A PENSION

The Comptroller of Public Accounts reserves the right to call for additional testimony if he deems it necessary.

Name of Applicant.

Mrs Eula M Garnett Smith County.

R. F. D. or Street No.

Postoffice Whitehouse Tex

Filed Feb 2-1927

Approved Feb 2-1927

Pension allowed from Dec 1-1926

Rejected

S. N. Purrell

Comptroller of Public Accounts.

THE E. L. STECK CO., AUSTIN

COMPTROLLERS OFFICE RECEIVED FEB 2 1927 Referred To No.

Widow's Application for Confederate Pension

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
 County of Smith

I, Mrs. Eula Mattox Garnett do hereby make application to the Comptroller of Public Accounts 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 Houston Mattox deceased, who departed this life on the 10th day of February, A. D. 1887, 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 3rd day of December, A. D. 1875, in the county of Smith in the State of Texas.

\* I married F.D. Garnett in August, 1889, and lived with him until his death on March 10th, 1925. I am now a widow.

My husband, the said Houston Mattox, 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. 1910, 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 above 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 \$2000; 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? 69 years
2. Where were you born? Smith County, Texas, near Tyler.
3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? 69 years
4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? 69 years
5. What is your postoffice address? Whitehouse, Texas.
6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law and been rejected? No.

If rejected, state when and where.....

7. Did your husband draw a pension? No. If so, give his file number ---
8. What is your husband's full name? Houston Mattox

9. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? Georgia

10. How long did your husband serve? about 3 years If known to you, give date of enlistment and discharge Enlisted Aug. 11th, 1862 - discharged May 17th, 1865

11. What was the name or letter of the company, or number of the regiment 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, (If applicant's husband was a pensioner give his file number, which is evidence sufficient for proof of service.) Private Company H, 23rd Regiment Georgia Inf.

12. 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.....

Infantry, Private



13. Do you own any property other than that rendered for taxes in your county? If so, state value of same and county where located No.

14. Have you transferred to another 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 required by law.

(Signature of Applicant) Eula Mattox Garnett

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10th day of January, A. D. 1927

[Seal.]

County Judge Smith County, Texas.

\*Where applicant has remarried it is necessary that she state facts covering particulars of last marriage, date, to whom married, and date of last husband's death. She must also state that she is now a widow.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
County of Smith

Before me, \_\_\_\_\_, County Judge of \_\_\_\_\_ County,  
State of Texas, on this day personally appeared J.A. Drake

\_\_\_\_\_ 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. Rula Mattox

Garnett, applicant for a pension as the widow of Houston Mattox deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of Houston Mattox deceased; that they personally

know that she has not remarried since the death of her husband, for whose services in the army she claims a pension, and that they have no interest in this claim.\* except that she married F.D. Garnett, who died in 1925. She is now a widow.

(Signature of Witness) J.A. Drake

(Signature of Witness) J.J. [unclear]

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 10th day of January, A. D. 1927

[Seal.]

Will Steer  
Smith  
County Judge \_\_\_\_\_ County, Texas.

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\_\_\_\_\_ who are personally 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 Rula Mattox Garnett has been a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas since prior to January 1, A. D. 1910, and that they

have no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness) J.A. Drake

(Signature of Witness) J.J. [unclear]

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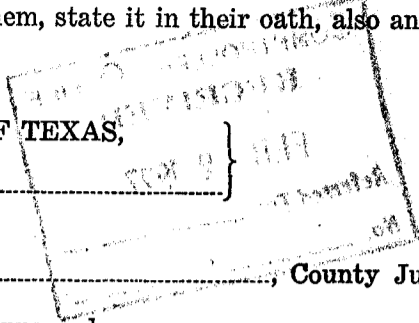
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AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

(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 other 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 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 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 applicant's husband in the Confederate Army: (Witnesses must state fully the source of their knowledge of service of applicant's husband) .....

(Signature of Witness) .....

(Signature of Witness) .....

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this ..... day of ....., A. D. 192.....

[Seal.]

County Judge ..... County, Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR

I, H. H. Allen State and County Assessor in the County of .....

State of Texas, do certify that Mrs. .... 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, in addition to homestead, of other property, real or personal, or both, of the value of None Dollars.

Given under my hand, this 10th day of February A. D. 1927

H. H. Allen



State and County Assessor.

EXHIBIT "A".  
WAR DEPARTMENT

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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

IN REPLY  
REFER TO

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WASHINGTON

Mattox, Houston (12-30-26)ORD

January 3, 1927.

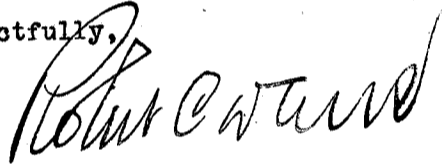
Honorable Morgan G. Sanders,  
House of Representatives.

My dear Mr. Sanders:

I have your letter of December 30, with which you inclosed one, herewith returned, from Honorable John Y. Lawhon, of Troup, Texas, who requests the Confederate military record of Houston Mattox, of Georgia.

The records show that Houston Mattox, Private, Company H, 23rd Regiment Georgia Infantry, Confederate States Army, enlisted August 11, 1862, at Lafayette, Georgia. He was captured May 3, 1863, near Fredericksburg, Virginia; was forwarded from Old Capitol Prison, Washington, D. C. to Fort Delaware May 7, 1863, and received at City Point, Virginia, for exchange May 23, 1863. He is shown present on the muster rolls from July 1, 1863 to April 30, 1864, last on file. Union Prisoner of War records show him captured June 18, 1864, near Petersburg, Virginia; received July 26, 1864, at Elmira, New York, and released on Oath of Allegiance May 17, 1865. His residence was given as Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Very respectfully,



Major General,  
The Adjutant General.

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The State of Texas )

County of Smith )

Before me, Jno. Y. Lawhon, a Notary Public in and for Smith County, Texas, on this day personally appeared Mrs. Eula Mattox Garnett, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed hereto, who after being by me duly sworn on her oath deposed and said as follows, to-wit: " My name is Eula Mattox Garnett. I am the widow of Houston Mattox, deceased, who served as a soldier in the Confederate Army during the war between the States. He was a Private in Company "H", 23rd Georgia Infantry. That my said husband rendered valuable service to the Confederacy and did not desert from the service, and was honorably discharged from the service. I have made diligent search for witnesses to the fact that my said husband was a soldier of the Confederacy but the only information I have been able to find is set forth in the paper hereto attached marked Exhibit "A" and made a part of my application. I am in indigent circumstances and own no property in the County nor out of it. After the death of Houston Mattox I married F.D.Garnett in August 1889, and he, F.D.Garnett, died on March 10th, 1925. I am now a widow.

Eula Mattox Garnett

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 10th day of January A.D. 1927.

John Y. Lawhon  
Notary Public, Smith County, Texas.

Filed before me as County Clerk this the 1st day of February 1927.

Albert Brown  
County Clerk Smith County Texas.



The State of Texas  
County of Smith

I, Will D. Pace, County Judge of Smith County Texas, having heard evidence as to the service of Houston Mattox in the Confederate army, and as to the above and foregoing affidavit in connection with the application of Mrs. Eula Mattox Garnett find as follows, to-wit:

That Houston Mattox served honorably in the Confederate army; that he is dead; that he did not desert, but that he rendered valuable services to the Confederacy as a soldier; that Mrs. Eula Mattox Garnett is the widow of Houston Mattox; that after the death of Houston Mattox that Mrs Eula Mattox married one Garnett; that the said Mrs. Eula Mattox Garnett is now a widow, her last husband having died. I therefore recommend that her claim for a Confederate widow's pension be allowed.

Will D. Pace - County Judge Smith Co. Tx

# APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Smith } I, J.C. Hagan

do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late Mrs. Eula M. Garnett, who was a pensioner of the State of Texas, and whose file number was 42715 and whose original county was Smith

The said pensioner Mrs. Eula M. Garnett, died on the 17th day of March, 1930, in the town of Mineola, Texas  
County of Wood, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of Mrs. I.M. Clayburn who was related to the pensioner as Daughter

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 Mrs. Eula M. Garnett

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) ~~XXXXXXXX~~ Son-in-law that my postoffice address is \_\_\_\_\_

Street or R. F. D.

Whitehouse  
City

Texas.  
State

Signed

*J.C. Hagan*

Sworn to before me this 22 day of March, 1930

*J.F. Daniel*

Notary Public in and for Smith County State of Texas.

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

## CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, H.J. Lindsey, 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 Mrs. Eula M. Garnett, who died in the town of Mineola, County of Wood, State of Texas on the 17 day of March 1930 That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 17 day of March 1930, and that I am of the opinion that warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said J.C. Hagan who makes the foregoing application.

Signed

*H.J. Lindsey*

Undertaker.

## CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, R.H. Coleman M.D., do certify that I am a practicing physician, and that I attended Mrs. Eula M. Garnett in <sup>her</sup> ~~his~~ last illness, and am of the opinion that <sup>her</sup> ~~his~~ ailments were Pulmonary Tuberculosis

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

*R.H. Coleman M.D.*

Physician's Address

Mineola Tex.



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and approved by the board of directors of the company, and the name of the officer who signed the same is hereby certified to be the name of the officer who signed the same, and the name of the officer who signed the same is hereby certified to be the name of the officer who signed the same.

and of the opinion that the same were duly signed and sealed by the officer named herein.

ALBERT M. GARNETT

SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

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