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FORM A

Soldier's Application for Pension

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

Name of Applicant.

J. S. Gibson  
Smith County.

Postoffice Flint RR#1

Filed May 11-12

Approved

Pension allowed from

Rejected

Commissioner of Pensions.

FORM A

For Use of Soldiers, Who are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS }  
 County of Smith

I, J. A. Gibson, do hereby make application to the Commissioner of Pensions for a pension to be granted me under the Act passed by the Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Texas, and approved March 26, A. D. 1909, 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; that I was honorably discharged or surrendered was discharged

(Give date and cause.)

that I have been a bona fide citizen of this State since prior to January 1, A. D. 1880, 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 one hundred and fifty dollars per annum, nor have I an income from any other employment or other source whatever which amounts to one hundred and fifty dollars per annum, nor do I receive from any source whatever money or other means of support amounting in value to the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars 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; 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? 72 yrs. old -
2. Where were you born? In Richmond Co. N. C.
3. How long have you resided in Texas? about 46 years -
4. In what county do you reside? Smith
5. How long have you resided in said county and what is your postoffice address? 46 years - Flint, Tex. RR # 1
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
8. In what State was the command in which you served organized? Miss
9. How long did you serve? Give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge. nearly 4 years
10. What was the letter of your company, number or name of battalion, regiment or battery? Co. G - 36th Miss Reg. Infantry
11. If transferred from one command to another, give time of transfer, name of command and time of service. ✓
12. What branch of the service did you enlist in—infantry, cavalry, artillery or navy? Infantry



13. If commissioned direct by the President, what was your rank and line of duty?

14. If detailed for special service, under the law of conscription, what was the nature of your service and how long did you serve?

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)

*J. S. Gibson*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *1st* day of *May*, A. D. 19*12*

*James Odom*

[SEAL.]

County Judge *Omit* County, Texas.

### AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of *Omit*

Before me *James Odom*, County Judge of *Omit* County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *J. H. Haden & J. M. McLaughal*, who are personally

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

*J. S. Gibson* the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said *J. S. Gibson* has been a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas since prior to January 1, A. D. 1880, and that they have no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness)

*John F. Haden*

(Signature of Witness)

*J. M. McLaughal*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *10* day of *May*, A. D. 19*12*

*James Odom*

[SEAL.]

County Judge *Omit* 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 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.)

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(Signature of Witness) .....

(Signature of Witness) .....

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this ..... day of ....., A. D. 19.....

[SEAL.]

County Judge ..... County, Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF THE STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR

I, H. B. Matthews State and County Assessor in the County of Smith State of Texas, do certify that J. J. Libson 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-first Legislature, approved March 26, A. D. 1909, is charged on the land and personal property rolls of said county with estate, real, personal and mixed, at the assessed value of \$740 dollars.

Given under my hand, this 10 day of May, A. D. 1912

H. B. Matthews  
State and County Assessor.



EX PARTE

IN RE APPLICANT FOR CONFEDERATE PENSION

James S. Gibson

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) I.R. Robinson, who resides in Rankin Co. in the State of Miss.,

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 I.R. Robinson

Witness, answers I R Robinson age 71. residence Rankin Co Miss P.O. Palmetto route 2

To the second interrogatory, the witness answers:

yes

To the third interrogatory, the witness answers:

Since 1856 or 1857 Kemper Co Miss.

To the fourth interrogatory, the witness answers:

Kemper County Miss I do

To the fifth interrogatory, the witness answers:

yes Company G 35th Miss Inf. 1861 Kemper Co Miss

To the sixth interrogatory, the witness answers: He held no office

there a private. The remainder of the war until the surrender

To the seventh interrogatory, the witness answers:

He was not detailed for any special service

To the first cross-interrogatory, the witness answers:

I served in the same company and regiment

To the second cross-interrogatory, the witness answers:

I am -

To the third cross-interrogatory, the witness answers:

I do - He was honorably discharged at surrender -

To the fourth cross-interrogatory, the witness answers:

He did not desert his command nor abandon his post of duty

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Judge J. H. Odum Tyler Texas  
Dear Sir In addition to my testimo-  
ny to this document I want to  
I want to say that J. S. Bishop  
was a true Soldier he never shined  
or flinched from dutie a braver boy  
was not in the army, He was always  
at his post, If any old soldiers are  
entitled to a pension, I believe he is  
one, We lay under the same blan-  
ket eat out of the same spoon for  
nearly four years, I believe I  
know what is in him

Yours Truly  
J. R. Robinson  
Pelahatchie  
Miss

EX PARTE

J.S.Gibson

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 I.R.Robinson and Miss who reside in the County of Miss in the State of Miss 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 can not be proven by any witness residing in the County of and State of Texas, of which he is a bona fide resident.

J.S.Gibson (Applicant) Attorney for Applicant.

Direct Interrogatories to be Propounded to the Witness

I.R.Robinson

- 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 J.S.Gibson who is an applicant for pension under Act of March 26, 1909?
INT. 3. How long had you known the said J.S.Gibson and when and where did you first know him?
INT. 4. Do you personally know that the said J.S.Gibson 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 J.S.Gibson 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 J.S.Gibson 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 J.S.Gibson 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 I.R.Robinson

CROSS INTERROGATORY 1. If, in answer to the foregoing direct interrogatories, you have stated that you personally know or did know said J.S.Gibson 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 J.S.Gibson 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 you knew of any other soldier or sailor by the name of J.S.Gibson serving in the same company or regiment, or special service in which you say the said J.S.Gibson enlisted, if you have stated that said J.S.Gibson 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 J.S.Gibson applicant, serving in the same command, or the special service to which he was assigned?

If you say that you so know other soldiers or sailors of the same name of J.S.Gibson 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 J.S.Gibson is the identical person serving as testified by you?

Cross INT. 3. Do you know whether or not the said J.S.Gibson 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 J.S.Gibson 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.

J.S. Gibson  
(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

J.S. Gibson  
Applicant

INTERROGATORIES

propounded to

J.R. Robinson

Witnesses.



Meridian Miss  
June the 6-1910

I, Lieutenant J. T. Rush  
co G- 35<sup>th</sup> Mississippi  
Regiment hereby certify  
that James S. Gibson  
served in the above  
co & Reg with me in  
the war between the  
States.

Signed

J. T. Rush

(TX)

JESSE F. ODOM  
COUNTY JUDGE SMITH COUNTY  
TYLER, TEXAS

May 10th 1912.

Hon. R. A. Buford,  
Pension Commissioner,  
Austin, Texas.

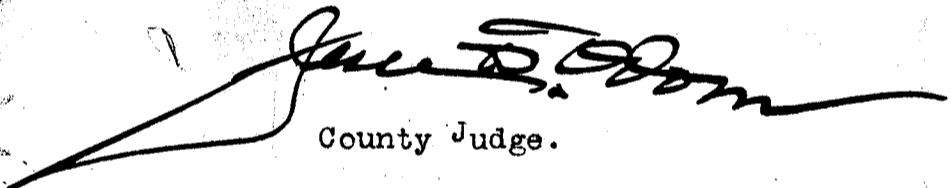
Dear Sir:-

I am herewith enclosing you Pension Application  
of Mr. J. S. Gibson of Flint, Texas, R. R. No. 1.

I am also enclosing you in connection therewith the  
depositions of I. R. Robinson of Rankin County, Miss., and a  
statement from Mr. J. T. Rush of Meridian, Miss. We could not  
get Mr. Rysh's depositions, as he has died since this state-  
ment was made, and before Mr. Gibson made his application.

Please acknowledge receipt of this application to  
Mr. Gibson, and oblige,

Yours very truly,

  
County Judge.

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ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
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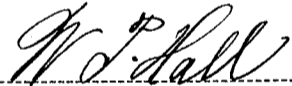
Address: "The Adjutant General,  
War Department, Washington, D. C."

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WAR DEPARTMENT,

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,  
WASHINGTON, May 20, 1912.

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

The records show that J. S. Gibson, private, Company G, 35th Mississippi Infantry, Confederate States Army, enlisted April 20, 1862; that he was captured December 10, 1864, and released at Camp Douglas, Illinois, June 19, 1865, on taking the oath of allegiance.



The Adjutant General.

(A. G. O. 72-1)

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*J. R. Robinson* sign here.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 4 day of May, 1912

*T. L. Gay*  
Chancery Clerk

THE STATE OF Mississippi  
County of Rainier  
of Chancery Court do hereby certify that

I, J. R. Robinson, Clerk  
(Here give name and official character of officer before whom taken.)  
J. R. Robinson

and J. R. Robinson are personally known to me to be credible citizens of said County and State, and that the foregoing answers of J. R. Robinson the witness before named, and

J. R. Robinson, whose name appear signed to the foregoing deposition, were made before me and were sworn to and subscribed before me, by said witness (4) J. R. Robinson

Given under my hand and official seal, this the 4 day of May, 1912

(L. S.)

*T. L. Gay*  
Chancery Clerk

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 Onit County, Texas.  
Before the Honorable County Judge of said County.

EX PARTE

*J. R. Robinson*  
Applicant for Confederate Pension

DEPOSITION  
OF

*J. R. Robinson*

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.