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FORM A.

Soldier's Application for a Pension

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

Name of Applicant.

Jose Goodson
Smith County.

Postoffice

Fleet

Filed

Approved

Sept. 1913

Pension allowed from

Dec. 1913

Rejected

George R. ...

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, Jake Goodson, 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 surrendered at Saulsbury, N.C. May 26th
1865, and was paroled.

(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? 70 years old.
2. Where were you born? Alabama.
3. How long have you resided in Texas? 48 years.
4. In what county do you reside? Smith.
5. How long have you resided in said county and what is your postoffice address?
17 years. Flint, Texas.
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? Alabama.
9. How long did you serve? Give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge. Enlisted August 10th 1861, and served until May 26th 1865.
10. What was the letter of your company, number of battalion, regiment or battery?
Company A, 19th Alabama Regiment, Day's Brigade. TX
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?
Infantry.

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) *Jake Goodson*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 27th day of August, A. D. 1913

Jesse B. Odum
County Judge Smith County, Texas.

[Seal.]

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of *Smith*

Before me *Jesse B. Odum*, County Judge of *Smith* County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *G. C. Bunnell & J. W. Jewell*, who are personally

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

Jake Goodson, the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the

said *Jake Goodson* 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) *G. C. Bunnell*

(Signature of Witness) *J. W. Jewell*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 10th day of Sept., A. D. 1912

Jesse B. Odum
County Judge *Smith* County, Texas.

[SEAL.]

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 B. Odum*, County Judge of *Smith* County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *Dr. W. Hooper*

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

I that he knows the applicant, Jake Goodson, served in the Confederate Army, as claimed by him. That he served in the same company with him, to-wit, Co. A, 19th Ala. Reg. That he and applicant were messmates.

(Signature of Witness) W. D. Harper

(Signature of Witness)

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 10th day of Sept., A. D. 1913

[SEAL.]

James P. Odum
County Judge Smith County, Texas.

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 Jake Goodson 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 200 dollars.

Given under my hand, this 10th day of September, A. D. 1913

H. B. Matthews
State and County Assessor.



EX-PARTE

Jake Goodson,
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 Duff Wilson
and _____ who reside in the County
of Erath 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.

Jake Goodson
(Applicant) Attorney for Applicant.

Direct Interrogatories to be Propounded to the Witness _____

Duff Wilson

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

CROSS INTERROGATORY 1. If, in answer to the foregoing direct interrogatories, you have stated that you person-
ally know or did know said Jake Goodson 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 Jake Goodson 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 Jake Goodson serving in the same company or regiment, or special
service in which you say the said Jake Goodson enlisted, if you have stated that said
Jake Goodson 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 Jake Goodson

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 Jake Goodson

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 Jake Goodson

is the identical person serving as testified by you?

Cross INT. 3. Do you know whether or not the said Jake Goodson

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 Jake Goodson

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.

Jake Goodson
(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

Jake Goodson
Applicant.

INTERROGATORIES

propounded to

Butts Wilson

Witnesses.

EX PARTE

IN RE APPLICANT FOR CONFEDERATE PENSION

Jake Goodson,

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) Duff Wilson, who resides in Erath 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 Duff Wilson

Witness, answers My name is G.M. (Duff) Wilson age 68 years - residence
and post office, Stephenville, Texas

To the 2nd Int., he answers: Yes since 1861

To the 3rd Int., he answers: Since 1861 in Pickens County, Alabama

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

To the 5th Int., he answers: Yes Company A. 19th Alabama Regiment
He served from 1861 to close of war, in 1865, enlisted at Gordo, Ala.

To the 6th Int., he answers: He was not so commissioned -

To the 7th Int., he answers: He was not.

To the 1st Cross-Int., he answers: He and I enlisted at same time and place
and served together to end of war in same Company. No other man
by name of Jake Goodman in this company or regiment

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

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

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



G. M. Wilson

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 30 day of August, 1913

A. P. Young,
County Judge Erath Co. Texas

THE STATE OF Texas,

County of Erath.

I, *A. P. Young County Judge*
(Here give name and official character of officer before whom taken.)

Erath County, Texas do hereby certify that *G. M.* (Duff) Wilson is

and ~~xxx~~ personally known to me to be creditable citizens of said
County and State, and that the foregoing answers of *G. M.* (Duff) Wilson

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) *G. M. (Duff) Wilson*

Given under my hand and official seal, this the 30 day of August, 1913

(L. S.)

A. P. Young
County Judge Erath Co. 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 or Record having a seal, any Notary Public, or any Commissioner of Deeds of Texas.

File No. _____

In Erath County, Texas

Before the Honorable County Judge of Said County.

EX PARTE

J. R. Spason
Applicant for Confederate Pension

DEPOSITION

of

Duff Wilson

Witness..... for Applicant.

Filed _____ day

of _____, 1913

_____, Clerk.

By _____, Deputy.

Fee for Taking Deposition, \$ _____

Lined area for deposition text.



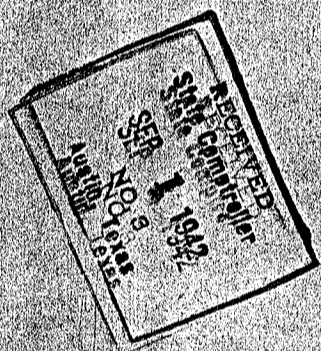
- (1) Here give the name and residence of each witness.
- (2) Here state "and cross interrogatories," if any.
- (3) Here give name and official character of the person taking the deposition.
- (4) Here state "respectively," if more than one witness.
- (5) Here state whether "Commission, or agreement," if Commission was waived.

23956
Smith

Flint Texas
Aug 31-1942

George W. Sheppard, Comptroller
Please send me - Jacob Goodson
- Jake -
Pension no. he enlisted in Confederate
Army Aug 10th 1861 Dr. Geo. R. Kimbrough
Capt. Also please send Discharge
date. as I want to put a marker to
his grave. Respectfully

Mrs. J. F. Clements,
Flint
Tex.



September 2, 1942.

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Mrs. J. F. Clements
Flint, Texas

Dear Mrs. Clements:

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 31, 1942 in which you request the military service record of one Jacob Goodson or Jake Goodson.

The records of this office show that one Jake Goodson of Flint, Texas Smith County drew a Confederate Pension from the State of Texas under pension file number 23956.

The application for pension of Jake Goodson states that he enlisted as a private on August 10, 1861 in Company A, 19th Alabama Regiment of Infantry, Day's Brigade, Confederate States Army. He served until May 26, 1865.

The application for pension of Mr. Goodson was approved on the affidavits of witnesses.

Yours very truly,

TX

Geo. H. Sheppard
Comptroller of Public Accounts.

JHT:EE