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Form B.

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 M. J. Goodson
Smith County.

Postoffice No. 2 Flint

Filed

9/21/23
SEP 23 1923

Approved

9/24/23

Pension allowed from

Sept 25

Rejected

Lon A. Smith

Comptroller of Public Accounts.

THE E. L. STECK CO., AUSTIN

(O.K.)

For Use of Widows of Soldiers Who Are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Smith

I, Mrs. M. J. Gordon 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 Jake Gordon deceased, who departed this life on the 21st day of November, A. D. 1914, 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 8th day of April A. D. 1865 in the county of Auderson in the State of Texas

My husband, the said Jake Gordon, 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 \$1000; 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? 72
- 2. Where were you born? Arkansas
- 3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? 72 years
- 4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? And what is your postoffice address? 51 yrs First Route 2
- 5. Did your husband draw a pension? If so, give his file number yes 23956
- 6. What was your husband's full name? Jake Gordon
- 7. What was the date of his death? 21st Nov. 1914
- 8. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? Alabama

9. How long did your husband serve? If known to you, give date of enlistment and discharge. 4 yrs

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

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

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) Mary J. Gordon

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 1st day of Sept A. D. 1923

County Judge W. H. [Signature] Smith County, Texas.



[Seal.]

*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, A. D. Pevision, County Judge of Smith County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared F. M. Bee & S. D. Reeves, 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. M. J. Gordon, applicant for a pension as the widow of Jake Gordon deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of Jake Gordon 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.*

(Signature of Witness) S. D. Reeves

(Signature of Witness) F. M. Bee

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 18th day of Sept, A. D. 1923

A. D. Pevision

[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.

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS }
County of Smith

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(Signature of Witness) S. D. Reeves

(Signature of Witness) F. M. Bee

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 18th day of Sept, A. D. 1923

A. D. Pevision

[Seal.]

County Judge Smith County, Texas.

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 applicant's husband in the Confederate Army: (State fully your source of knowledge)

Handwritten notes: For Service of Applicant's husband in Confederate Army. See page 191.

(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 STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR



I, J. L. W. Keels, State and County Assessor in the County of Smith State of Texas, do certify that Mrs. M. J. Goodson 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 \$1800 Dollars, and of other property, real or personal, or both, of the value of Dollars.

Given under my hand, this 18 day of Sept. A. D. 1923.

J. L. W. Keels
State and County Assessor.

Form B.

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. Mary J. Goodson
Smith County.

Postoffice Bullard

Filed _____

Approved _____

Pension allowed from _____

Rejected 9-2-22

Lon A. Smith
Comptroller of Public Accounts.

Created on Roll

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE
PENSION
SEP 2 1922
Referred to _____
No. _____

Handwritten notes and signatures on the right margin.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Smith

Before me, J. R. Perceptron, County Judge of Smith County,
State of Texas, on this day personally appeared J. F. Phillips & G. M. Smith, 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. Mary J. Gowan, applicant for a pension as the widow of John Gowan
deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of John Gowan 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.*

(Signature of Witness) J. F. Phillips

(Signature of Witness) G. M. Smith

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 31st day of August, A. D. 1922

J. R. Perceptron

[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, J. R. Perceptron, County Judge of Smith County,
State of Texas, on this day personally appeared J. F. Phillips & G. M. Smith, 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 Mary J. Gowan
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) J. F. Phillips

(Signature of Witness) G. M. Smith

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 31st day of August, A. D. 1922

J. R. Perceptron

[Seal.]

County Judge Smith County, Texas.

For Use of Widows of Soldiers Who Are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Smith

I, Mrs. Mary J. Goodson 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 Jake Goodson deceased, who departed this life on the 24th day of Nov, 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 5th day of August, A. D. 1872 in the county of Anderson in the State of Texas

My husband, the said Jake Goodson, 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 \$1000; 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? 71 years
- 2. Where were you born? Arkansas
- 3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? 71 years
- 4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? And what is your postoffice address? 27 years, Bullard Tex
- 5. Did your husband draw a pension? If so, give his file number 23956
- 6. What was your husband's full name? Jake Goodson
- 7. What was the date of his death? 24th day of Nov. 1916
- 8. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? Alabama

How long did your husband serve? If known to you, give date of enlistment and discharge. Three years, August 1st 1861 to end of war

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. Co. H, 1st Ala. Cav. Artillery, Dr. Res. R. Kerchak was his Captain

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. Infantry

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. (TX)

(Signature of Applicant) Mary J. Goodson
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 31st day of August A. D. 1922

[Seal.] County Judge W. H. Green 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

(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 are personally
known to me to be creditable citizens, who, being by me sworn, on oath state that they are personally ac-
quainted 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 Confed-
erate 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 STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR

I, Wm H Day State and County Assessor in the County of Smith
State of Texas, do certify that Mrs. M J Goodson 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,
\$1850.00 Dollars, and of other property, real or personal, or
both, of the value of no Dollars.

Given under my hand, this 31st day of Aug A. D. 1922
Wm H Day
State and County Assessor.

F.D. NEWTON, VICE PRESIDENT
JOHN T. LEWIS, CASHIER
LELA TUCKER, ASST. CASHIER

GUS S. BLANKINSHIP, PRESIDENT

U.J. CONN, ASST. CASHIER
P.A. BOLTON, ASST. CASHIER
H. LEARLE, ASST. CASHIER



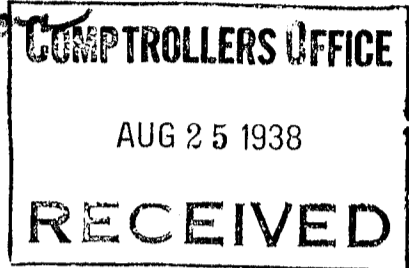
THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

CAPITAL & SURPLUS \$ 200,000.00

JACKSONVILLE, TEXAS

August 24, 1938

Mrs Mary J. Goodson



State Comptroller
Austin, T e x a s

Dear Sir:

Confederate Pension Warrant No. 19430 seems to have been lost in the mail between our office and the Republic National Bank, Dallas. Our records do not indicate to whom this warrant was made payable nor the date of issue.

We will appreciate very much your referring to your records on this particular warrant and advise us as to the payee of the warrant and, if possible, advise whether this particular warrant has been presented for payment.

Yours very respectfully,

[Handwritten signature of John T. Lewis]
JOHN T. LEWIS
C a s h i e r

JTL/bb

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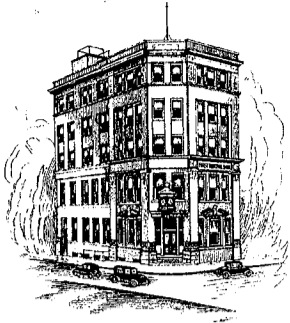
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[Handwritten signature of Mary J. Goodson]

F.D. NEWTON, VICE PRESIDENT
JOHN T. LEWIS, CASHIER
LELA TUCKER, ASST. CASHIER

GUS S. BLANKINSHIP, PRESIDENT

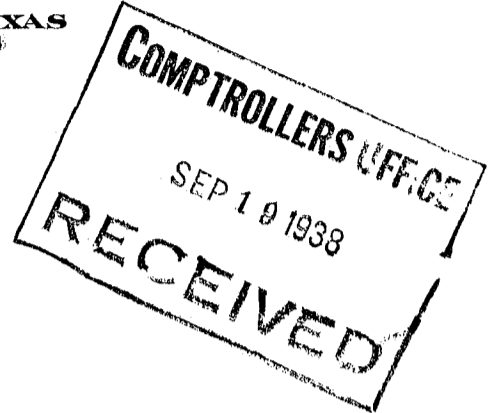
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H. L. EARLE, ASST. CASHIER



THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

CAPITAL & SURPLUS \$ 200,000.00

JACKSONVILLE, TEXAS
September 17, 1938



Comptroller of Public Accounts
Austin, Texas

Gentlemen:

Attached hereto is bond executed by Elmer N. Slaton, owner of Confederate Pension Warrant No. 49430, payable to Mrs. Mary J. Goodson, in the amount \$25.00, dated July 31, 1938.

The owner of this warrant will appreciate your forwarding the duplicate warrant to this Bank for his account, in order that he may secure the endorsement of Mrs. Mary J. Goodson, the original payee, who has received full benefit of the proceeds.

Your prompt attention to this matter will be appreciated.

Yours very truly,

H. Earle
ASSISTANT CASHIER.



HLE/ao.
Attch. 1.

Duplicate

BOND

This BOND must be sworn to by the owner of the original warrant, and also signed by the owner and two sureties before it will be approved and duplicate warrant issued.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

EXECUTE AND RETURN THIS BOND AND
DUPLICATE WARRANT WILL BE ISSUED

County of Cherokee

Elmer N. Slaton

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Elmer N. Slaton, who, after being by me duly sworn on oath, says that he is the true owner of Confederate Pension Warrant No. 49430 for the sum of Twenty five + 00/100 Dollars,

drawn by the Comptroller of the State of Texas, on July 31 - 1938, in favor of Mrs. Mary J. Goodson, and that the same is in fact lost or destroyed, or has not been received.

Elmer N. Slaton
Elmer N. Slaton

(SEAL)

Owner of Warrant.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 17 day of September, 1938.

Agnes Odum

In & for Cherokee Co., Texas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Cherokee

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, Elmer N. Slaton, as principal, and M.E. Gillespie and H.L. Earle, as sureties, are held and bound unto James V. Allred, Governor of the State of Texas, and his successors in office, in the sum of Fifty + 00/100 Dollars, for the payment of which sum, well and truly to be made, we do bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally.

Whereas, the above named principal has filed with the Comptroller an affidavit, stating that he is the true owner of said Confederate Pension Warrant, drawn by the Comptroller of the State of Texas, on the date shown in the above affidavit, in favor of said payee, and that the same is in fact lost or destroyed; and

Whereas, duplicate of said Confederate Pension Warrant, in favor of the original payee, will be issued;

Now, therefore, the condition of the above obligation is such that the owner of said warrant will hold the State harmless and return to the Comptroller, upon demand being made therefor, such duplicate or copies, or the amount of money named therein, together with all costs that may accrue against the State, on collecting the same.

Given under our hands, this 17 day of September, A. D. 1938.

Elmer N. Slaton

Principal.

M. Earnest Gillespie

Surety.

H. Earle

Surety.

Geo. H. Sheppard

Comptroller.

Duplicate

Approved 21 day of Sept, 1938



County Smith Street.
Number 39319
Address R. F. D. _____
Warrant Smith Texas.
(City or Town)

COMPTROLLERS OFFICE
RECEIVED
SEP 19 1938

Mailed to Elmer N. Slaton
39319 41st Nat'l Bank
8-25-38 Jacksonville Tex - 9-21-38

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✓ Please have application for Mortuary Warrant properly executed and have Undertaker attach to it a sworn itemized statement showing the cost of each item furnished for the burial. Return to Geo. H. Sheppard, Comptroller, Austin, Texas.

APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Smith } I, B. M. Goodson
do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late Mrs. Mary J. Goodson, who was a pensioner of the State of Texas, and whose file number was 39319 and whose original county was Smith

The said pensioner Mary J. Goodson, died on the 26th day of July, 1941, in the town of Flint Rt 1 County of Smith, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of Mrs. Frank Clements 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. Mary J. Goodson

I further certify that the warrant for the current month has not been cashed by the pensioner, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I am related to the pensioner as Son that my postoffice address is Bullard Texas Rt 1 Street or R. F. D. Bullard City Texas State

Signed B.M. Goodson

Sworn to before me this 2 day of Aug., 1941

Notary Public in and for Smith State of Texas. J. E. Davis

CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, Douglas Bagard, do certify that I am undertaker in the town of Jacksonville, County of Cherokee, State of Texas that I had charge of the body of Mary J. Goodson, who died in the town of Flint Rt 1, County of Smith, State of Texas on the 26th day of July, 1941. That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 26th day of July, 1941 and that I am of the opinion that warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said B. M. Goodson - Son who makes the foregoing application.

(TX) Signed Douglas Bagard #1193 Undertaker.

CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, Ym Walker M.D., do certify that I am a practicing physician, and that I attended Mrs Mary J. Goodson in his last illness, and am of the opinion that his ailments were Advanced age Cardiac Failure

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 Ym Walker M.D.

Physician's Address Bullard Texas

July 1941 Warrant # 31441 Canceled

Execute and return at once.



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