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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.

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Name of Applicant.

*H. M. Gradish*

*Smith* County.

Postoffice. *Dyke Texas*

Filed *April 1st 1912*

Approved *Sept 1 1913*

Pension allowed from *Dec 1 1913*

Rejected

*George K. ...*  
Commissioner of Pensions.

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For Use of Soldiers, Who are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of Smith

I, H. W. Gradick, 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 at close of war.

(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? 67 years of age
2. Where were you born? Charleston, S. C.
3. How long have you resided in Texas? 55 years
4. In what county do you reside? Smith
5. How long have you resided in said county and what is your postoffice address? 50 years - Tyler, Texas - Rt. 4 -
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? conductor
8. In what State was the command in which you served organized? Texas
9. How long did you serve? Give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge. enlisted
10. What was the letter of your company, number or name of battalion, regiment or battery? was only part of 1862 or so and until end of war  
Col. Hill's ordnance dept -
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?



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?

*Making and repairing guns - worked at Anom near Tyler Texas - for 2 or 3 years -*

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)

*H. M. Goodrich*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *20* day of *March*, A. D. 19*12*

[SEAL.]

*James T. Odum*  
County Judge *Smith* County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of *Smith*

Before me *James T. Odum*, County Judge of *Smith* County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *M. F. Thompson & Dr. W. W. Funderburgh*, who are personally

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

*H. M. Goodrich* the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said

*H. M. Goodrich* 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)

*M. F. Thompson*

(Signature of Witness)

*W. W. Funderburgh*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *20* day of *March*, A. D. 19*12*

[SEAL.]

*James T. Odum*  
County Judge *Smith* 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 *Smith*

Before me *James T. Odum*, County Judge of *Smith* County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *M. F. Thompson & Dr. W. W. Funderburgh*

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.)

*M. F. Thompson states that he knows he rendered the service stated by him - that he saw him at work in the Ordnance Dept. making and repairing guns at the armory near Tyler Texas.*

*W. D. Funderburgh states that applicant was detailed to make guns for the Confederate soldiers, and worked at this at the armory near Tyler Texas - He worked at this armory for two or three years - applicant personally knows that he performed this service - applicant is 67 yrs. of age -*

(Signature of Witness) *M. F. Thompson*

(Signature of Witness) *W. D. Funderburgh*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *30* day of *March*, A. D. 19*12*

*John P. Odum*  
County Judge *Smith* County, Texas.

[SEAL]

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 *H. M. Gradish* 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 *\$910* dollars.

Given under my hand, this *30* day of *March*, A. D. 19*12*

*H. B. Matthews*  
State and County Assessor.



*Please itemize property  
and return for approval -*

STANDARD FORM NO. 100

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 H. M.  
Grubbs, 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-third Legislature, approved April 7, 1913, is charged on  
the tax rolls of said county with a homestead of the value of \$800<sup>00</sup>  
dollars, and of other property, real or personal, or both of the value of  
\$110<sup>00</sup> Dollars.

Given under my hand, this 22 day of April, A. D. 1913

(TX)

H. B. Matthews  
State and County Assessor.

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The State of Texas,  
County of Smith.

Before me Jesse F. Odom, County Judge of Smith County, Texas, on this day personally appeared Jno. D. Scott, to me well known, and entitled to credit, who states on oath that he is 67 years of age; that he personally knows H. M. Gradick, the above named applicant for a Confederate Pension; that the said applicant served for two or three years at the Armory near the city of Tyler, Smith County, Texas, making guns for the soldiers; that he begun this work some time during the year 1862 and served in this capacity for about three years, or until about the close of the war; that affiant has known applicant since about the year 1860, and that he personally knows that applicant rendered the service for the Confederacy as stated above; that the service rendered above was in what was then known as the "Ordnance Department" at the Armory, near Tyler, Texas.

Jno. D. Scott

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 18th day of December, 1913.

Jesse F. Odom  
County Judge, Smith County, Texas.

JESSE F. ODOM  
COUNTY JUDGE SMITH COUNTY  
TYLER, TEXAS

December 22nd 1913.

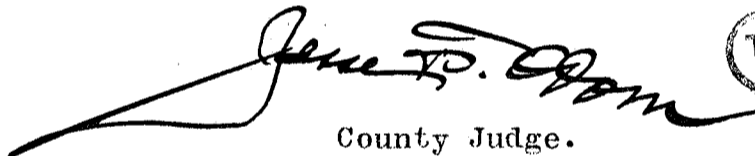
Hon. Geo. W. Kyser,  
Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed I am returning you Pension application of H.M. Gradick, with property statement itemized, as per your request.

Mr. S. Lasseter, an old Confederate Soldier, informs me that he sent in a Pension application some three or four years ago, but that same was rejected at that time because he owned a little too much property. I will thank you to look this application up, and return same to me at once, so that he can make application under the new law. However, he will have to use the same proof that accompanied his original application, as he states at least one if not both of his witnesses have since died. Kindly forward me this application at once, and oblige,

Yours very truly,

  
County Judge.

