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FORM B

Widow'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.

Mrs. O. E. Gresham,

Smith

County.

Postoffice **Tyler-E. Line Street.**

Filed *Apr. 1914*

Approved *May 9 1914*

Pension allowed from *June 12 1914*

Rejected

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Commissioner of Pensions.

E. L. STECK, PRINTING, BOOKBINDING, AUSTIN

3114 - Henderson

For Use of Widows of Soldiers Who are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF Smith.

I, Mrs. O.A. Gresham, do hereby make application to the Commissioner of Pensions 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 Y.J. Gresham, deceased, who departed this life on the 26th day of February, A. D. 1903, in the county of Henderson, 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 1st day of February, A. D. 1860, in the county of Washington, in the State of Alabama.

My husband, the said Y.J. Gresham, 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 \$1,000.00; 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 old.
2. Where were you born? Alabama.
3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? 20 years.
4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? And what is your postoffice address? Three years. Tyler, Texas, East Line Street.
5. Did husband draw a pension? If so, give his file number Yes- No. 3114
6. What was your husband's full name? Young James Gresham.
7. What was the date of his death? February 26th 1903
8. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? Don't know
9. How long did your husband serve? If known to you, give date of enlistment and discharge Don't know

10. What was the name or letter of the company, or name 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. Dont know

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. Don't know

(IX)

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 be approved and such other proceedings be had in the premises as are required by law.

(Signature of Applicant) O A Gresham

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 4th day of April, A. D. 1914

John T. Olson
County Judge Smith County, Texas.

[Seal.]

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS }
COUNTY OF Smith.

Before me, Jesse F. Odom, County Judge of Smith County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared C.S. Stewart and W.G. Williams, 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. O.E. Gresham, applicant for a pension as the widow of

deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of Y.J. Gresham deceased; that they personally know that she has not remarried since the death of her husband, for whose service in the army she claims a pension, and that they have no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness) C.S. Stewart

(Signature of Witness) W.G. Williams

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 4th day of April, A. D. 1914

[Seal.]

Jesse F. Odom
County Judge Smith County, Texas.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS }
COUNTY OF Smith.

Before me, Jesse F. Odom, County Judge of Smith County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared C.S. Stewart & W.G. Williams, who are personally known to me to be credible 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 Mrs. O.E. Gresham

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) C.S. Stewart

(Signature of Witness) W.G. Williams

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 4th day of April, A. D. 1914

[Seal.]

Jesse F. Odom
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 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 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 the applicant's husband in the Confederate Army; (State fully your source of knowledge) :.....

Applicant does not furnish any proof of her husband's service in the Confederate Army, as he was drawing a pension at the time of his death, his original application having been made from Henderson County, Texas, and the number of his Certificate was 3114. Hence, she asks that you consider the proof which is on file with his original application.

(Signature of Witness).....

(Signature of Witness).....

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 4th day of April, A. D. 1914

[Seal.]

John S. 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 **Mrs. O.G. Gresham**, 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 no Dollars, and of other property, real or personal, or both, of the value of no Dollars.



Given under my hand, this 4th day of April, A. D. 1914

H.B. Matthews
State and County Assessor.
By Wm. J. Day
Deputy

420 East Line St - Tyler
~~Smith~~ Texas

Jan 9-19-

Mr J. C. Jones Smith
27245

Dear Sir
As I had the County Judge to
write you in regard to my
mother's mortuary expenses on
the 16th of Dec. She died
on the 12th of Dec. which
I had the judge to write you
and haven't any answer yet -
thought to write you again
as the judge said I should
of heard from you before now
The judge tells me to write you
~~before~~ I have her Voucher
here. her name is

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No. 1272

Mrs O. E. Gresham
her of No 27245 (TX)

Her son
Address me. C. S. Stewart
420 East Line St
Tyler Texas

Hoping to hear by return
mail

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

Do not make out before ⁷¹⁷
April 1st. 1901

COUNTY OF.....

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared

..... well known to me, who after being by me duly sworn,

says that..... is the identical person to whom a pension has

been granted under an act approved May 12th, 1899.

The number of my application as shown by the records in the Comptroller's office is 3114 that.....

resides in....., County of..... and..... post office address

is..... in above named County; and that the same conditions which existed at the

time of making..... application on which the pension was originally granted, still exist; and that..... is not a

resident of the Confederate Home.

Also personally appeared..... well

known to me to be a creditable person, who after being by me duly sworn, says that..... is personally acquainted

with..... the pensioner above named, and the statement made

by..... is true and correct.

(Signature of Pensioner)

(Signature of Witness)

Sworn to and subscribed before me by each of the above named parties, this.....

day of..... 190.....



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W. R. CASTLE
 COUNTY JUDGE SMITH COUNTY
 TYLER, TEXAS

This matter had
 attention 1-16-19
 January 15, 1918

Wm. C. Jones, Com. of Pensions
 Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir:-

On or about the 16th Dec. ult.
 I wrote you to send me many
 blanks covering the death of Mrs.
 O. E. Gresham - 420 E. Live St. Tyler,
 Texas - who died on December
 12th 1917. And who was drawing
 Confederate Pension through your
 department under your No. 27245
 These blanks have not been
 received - Will you please mail
 them at once to Mr. C. S. Stewart
 420 E. Live St Tyler, Texas. a
 son of Mrs. O. E. Gresham, deceased.
 + oblige.

Yours truly,
 W. R. Castle, Judge

COMPLETED
 ALL REVENUE
 RECEIVED
 NOV 17 1917



No. 1550

C. S. Stewart

\$ 30.00

Smith - 27745

Pension Fund

OFFICE OF
COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS
STATE OF TEXAS
AUSTIN

Correct, for the sum of \$ 30.00

Charge to Pension Fund

H. B. Terrell,

Comptroller
Commissioner of Pensions

MORTUARY WARRANT

In accordance with Law passed by ~~Thirty~~ ^{Thirtieth} Legislature of Texas in Regular Session

July 1st Texas, *July 1928* 191*9*

STATE OF TEXAS

To *C. D. Stewart* Dr.

WRITE ADDRESS PLAINLY *420 E. Olive St. Tyler, Texas*

Account of Death of Pensioner No. *27245*, County *Smith*,

Pensioner's Name in full *Mrs. O. E. Gresham*,

ITEMIZE ACCOUNT NOT TO EXCEED THIRTY DOLLARS.

No One Card \$ 30.00

Recd Rec 12-18

To above account for *Smith* Dollars

is just, due and unpaid.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this *13* day of *January* 191*9*

Notary Public, *Edwards & Hunt* County, *Smith*

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27245

APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

STATE OF TEXAS

County of Smith I, C. S. Stewart

do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late Mrs. O.E. Gresham, 27245, who was a pensioner of the State of Texas, and whose file number is --- and whose original county is Smith.

The said pensioner Mrs. O.E. Gresham, died on the 12 day of December, 1918, in the town of Tyler, County of Smith, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of C. S. Stewart who was related to the pensioner as son

That the warrant which application is hereby made for, shall be applied to paying all or part of the expenses incurred by the said pensioner. Mrs. O.E. Gresham

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) son and that my home is in the town of Tyler, County of Smith, State of Texas, that my postoffice address is Tyler, Texas
420 E. Pine St

Signed C. S. Stewart

Before me, M. R. Leavelle, Judge in and for the County of Smith, State of Texas, personally appeared C. S. Stewart

who being by me duly sworn did certify to, and sign the foregoing statement.
M. R. Leavelle, Judge
in and for Smith, Texas.

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JAN 20 1919
No. 2030
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CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, J. H. Pruitt, do certify that I am an undertaker in the town of Tyler, County of Smith, State of Texas, that I had charge of the body of Mrs. O.E. Gresham, who died in the town of Tyler, County of Smith, State of Texas, on the 12 day of December, 1918. That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 12 day of December, 1918. That said body was buried in the Edson Cemetery, which is located in the County of Vandeventer, State of Texas and that I am of the opinion that warrant herein applied for, should be issued to the said C. S. Stewart who makes the foregoing application.

Signed J. H. Pruitt Undertaker.

CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, J. C. Hadley, do certify that I am a practicing physician and that I attended Mrs. O.E. Gresham her in his last illness, and am of the opinion that his ailments were Influenza and old age

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-fifth Legislature, and approved _____, 1917.

Signed J. C. Hadley Physician.

Physician's Address Tyler, Tex

