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FORM No. 1.

CONFEDERATE PENSION APPLICATION.

Name of Applicant.

J. J. Hamilton

County.

Post Office.

Tyler - Tex.

Comptroller's File No.

3727

I have carefully examined the within application for pension, together with the proof in support thereof, and I recommend that the application be

Disapproved

this 11th day of

A. D.

1899

Wm. J. Brown Pension Clerk.

I hereby approve the within application

for pension, this 11th day of

Oct. 11 1899 R. W. Tuttle Comptroller.

No Application Rejected by County Judge or County Commissioners Should be Forwarded to Comptroller.

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APPLICATION of Indigent Soldier or Sailor of the late Confederacy for pension under the Act of May 12, 1899.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF *Smith*

To the Honorable County Judge of *Smith* County, Texas.

Your petitioner, *J. J. Hamilton* respectfully represents that he is a resident citizen of *Smith* County, in the State of Texas, and that he makes this application for the purpose of obtaining a pension under the act passed by the Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Texas, and approved May 12, A. D. 1899, the same being an act entitled "An act to carry into effect the amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing that aid may be granted to disabled and dependent Confederate soldiers, sailors, and their widows under certain conditions, and to make an appropriation therefor," and I do solemnly swear that the answers I have given to the following questions are true.

NOTE—Applicant must make answer to all of the following questions, and such answers must be written out plainly in ink.

- Q. What is your name? Answer *J. J. Hamilton*
- Q. What is your age? Answer *65 years old past*
- Q. In what County do you reside? Answer *Smith*
- Q. How long have you resided in said County and what is your post office address? Answer *35 years - Tyler - Texas -*
- Q. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate Pension Law heretofore, and been rejected? If so state when and where. Answer *No -*
- Q. What is your occupation if able to engage in one? Answer *Gun + Lock Smith*
- Q. What is your physical condition? Answer *I have Rheumatism + near eyes + partial deafness.*
- Q. If your physical condition is such that you are unable by your own labor to earn a support, state what caused such disability. Answer *Rheumatism, near eyes, deafness + old age.*
- Q. State in what company and regiment you enlisted in the Confederate army, and the time of your service? Answer *Company "G" 1st Ark. Regt. Infantry - 4 years.*
- Q. If you served in the Confederate navy state when and where, and the time of your service. Answer.....
- Q. State whether or not you have received any pension or veteran donation land certificate under any previous law, and if you answer in the affirmative state what pension or veteran donation land certificate you have received. Answer *None -*
- Q. What real and personal property do you now own, and what is the present value of such property? Give list of such property and value. Answer *I have a little home in Tyler on an 80x170 foot lot worth \$1250-; no personal property except my house hold + kitchen furniture.*



- Q. What property, and what was the value thereof have you sold or conveyed within two years prior to the date of this application? Answer Nothing
- Q. What income, if any, do you receive? Answer Nothing
- Q. Are you in indigent circumstances; that is, are you in actual want, and destitute of property and means of subsistence? Answer Yes - except as to my little home.
- Q. Are you unable by your labor to earn a support? Answer Yes
- Q. Have you transferred to others any property of value of any kind for the purpose of becoming a beneficiary under this law? Answer Nothing
- Q. Did you ever desert the Confederacy? Answer No
- Q. Have you been continuously since the first day of January, 1880, a bona fide resident citizen of this State? Answer Yes

Wherefore your petitioner prays that his application for pension be approved and that such other proceedings be had in the premises as are required by law.

(Signature of Applicant)

J. J. Hamilton

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

26

day of

July

A. D.

1899.

Geo. W. Cross

(SEAL)

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,

Geo. W. Cross

County Judge of

Smith

County State of Texas, on this day personally appeared

A. J. Mc

Bride & T. J. Wiley

who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who being by me duly sworn on oath, state that they personally know J. J. Hamilton the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said J. J. Hamilton enlisted in the service of the Confederacy, and performed the duties of a soldier (or sailor) as claimed by him in the above and foregoing application, and that they further know that he, the said applicant, is unable to support himself by labor of any sort.

(Signature of Witness)

A. J. McBride

(Signature of Witness)

T. J. Wiley

(Signature of Witness)

(Signature of Witness)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

28

day of

July

A. D.

1899

Geo. W. Cross

(SEAL)

County Judge

Smith

County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF PHYSICIAN.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Ermit }

Before me Geo. W. Cross

County Judge of Ermit County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared

Erwin Pope, who is a reputable practicing physician of this County, who being by me duly sworn on oath, states that he has carefully and thoroughly examined

J. J. Hamilton applicant for a pension, and finds him laboring under the following disabilities which render him unable to labor at any work or calling sufficient to earn a support for himself:

Chronic Rheumatism, Defective hearing which interferes with his occupation. Deafness. He has been almost continually under treatment for Rheumatism & generally debility, due to his age.

(Signature of Physician) Erwin Pope

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 26 day of July A. D. 1899

(SEAL)

Geo. W. Cross
County Judge Ermit County, State of Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY JUDGE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Ermit }

I, Geo. W. Cross

County Judge of Ermit County, State of Texas, do hereby certify that on the 28

day of July A. D. 1899, before me came on to be heard the application of

J. J. Hamilton for a pension under the Confederate Pension Law of this State, approved May 12, A. D. 1899; that the answers of said applicant to the questions propounded were made under oath as the same appear in writing in the foregoing application; that the affidavits of the witnesses who are credible citizens were made before me as the same hereinbefore appear, and that the foregoing affidavit of Doctor

Erwin Pope who is a reputable practicing physician of this County, was made before me. I also certify that the said applicant

J. J. Hamilton, is not an inmate of the Texas Confederate Home, nor otherwise disqualified under the provision of Section 12, of the Confederate Pension Law. I further certify that after considering all the proceedings had before me relative to the said application for a pension by the said

J. J. Hamilton I find the said applicant is lawfully entitled to the pension provided by the Confederate Pension Law of this State, and I hereby approve said application.

Witness my hand and seal of office at Tyler this 28

day of July A. D. 1899

(SEAL)

Geo. W. Cross
County Judge Ermit County, State of Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.



THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Smith }

We, the undersigned members of the Commissioners Court of

Smith County, Texas, hereby certify that the foregoing application of J. J. Hamilton

for a pension, together with the proof in support thereof, was duly submitted by Hon. Geo. W. Cross

County Judge of this Smith County, to the Commissioners Court of this Smith County, at a regular term thereof on the 16

day of Aug A. D. 1899, and after a careful consideration of the same we find the said applicant is lawfully entitled to the pension provided for by the Confederate Pension Law of this State, and we hereby approve said application.

Witness our hands and seal of office at Tyler Tex this 16

day of Aug A. D. 1899

(SEAL)

(Signatures of Commissioners.)

U. C. Hairgrove
H. A. Brown
D. J. Epperson
M. F. Crook