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FORM No. 1—AMENDED

OCTOBER 1, 1902

Confederate Pension Application

Name of Applicant

W. Harper

Smith

County,

Postoffice

A. Bullard

Comptroller's File No.

12621

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

be *Approved*

March 25 1907

this day of

A. D.

E. A. Palmer

Chief Pension Clerk.

I hereby the within application for pension, this **March 25 1907** day of

A. D.

J. M. Stephens

Comptroller.

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

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NOTE—The law provides that pensions can begin only on the first day of April and October of each year.

FORM No. 1. Amended October 1, 1902.

APPLICATION of Indigent Soldier or Sailor of the late Confederacy for pension under the Act of May 12, 1899. Hereafter use no blank but this.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, }
 COUNTY OF Smith }

To the Honorable County Judge of Smith County, Texas.

Your petitioner, W. W. Harper 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 William Wallace Harper
- Q. What is your age? Answer 64
- Q. In what County do you reside? Answer Smith
- Q. How long have you resided in said County and what is your postoffice address? Answer 2 yrs
P. O. is Bullard
- 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 farming
- Q. What is your physical condition? Answer no good
- 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 Injuries and general bad health,
- Q. In what State was your command originally organized? Answer Alabama
- Q. How long did you serve? Give date of enlistment and discharge. Answer Enlisted 10 Aug. 1861
discharged finally 1 May 1865;
- Q. What was the name or letter of your company and name or number of your regiment? Answer Co A 19th
Ala Reg. Served here 2 yrs. the remainder of the war in Fowler's Battery
- Q. State whether you served in the infantry, artillery, cavalry, or the navy. Answer Infantry 2 yrs. 2 yrs in Artillery
- 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 no
- 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 No real or personal property
I own none whatever

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- 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 no
- Q. What estate has your wife in her own right, real and personal, and what is its value? Answer got no wife
- Q. What income, if any, do you receive? Answer none
- Q. Are you in indigent circumstances; that is, are you in actual want, and destitute of property and means of subsistence? Answer yes.
- 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 no.
- 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. Ever since 1865
- Q. If you originally enlisted in the Confederate service from the State of Texas, were you at the date of passage of this act a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas? Answer no

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

(Signature of Applicant) W. W. Harper

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12th day of October, A. D. 1906

(SEAL.)

J. A. Lindsey
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 J. A. Lindsey

County Judge of Smith

County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared Jake Goodson

son and G. T. Goodson

who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who being by me duly sworn on oath, state that they personally know W. W. Harper the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said W. W. Harper is unable to support himself by labor of any sort.

(Signature of Witness) Jake Goodson

(Signature of Witness) G. T. Goodson

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12th day of Oct, A. D. 1906

(SEAL.)

J. A. Lindsey
County Judge Smith County, Texas.

PROOF OF SERVICE MUST NOT BE MADE A PART OF THIS AFFIDAVIT

AFFIDAVIT OF PHYSICIAN

THE STATE OF TEXAS, }
 COUNTY OF Smith } Before me S. A. Lindsey
 County Judge of Smith County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared D. H. Connally, 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 W. W. Harper 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: He is suffering from general debility, heart trouble and lung trouble

(Signature of Physician) D. H. Connally
 Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12 day of Oct A. D. 1906
 (SEAL) S. A. Lindsey
 County Judge Smith County, State of Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY JUDGE

THE STATE OF TEXAS, }
 COUNTY OF Smith } I, S. A. Lindsey
 County Judge of Smith County, State of Texas, do hereby certify that on the 10th day of Nov A. D. 1906, before me came on to be heard the application of W. W. Harper 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 D. H. Connally who is a reputable practicing physician of this county, was made before me. I also certify that the said applicant W. W. Harper 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 W. W. Harper 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 Texas this 10th day of Nov A. D. 1906
 (SEAL) S. A. Lindsey
 County Judge Smith 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 W. W. Harper for a pension, together with the proof in support thereof, was duly submitted by Hon. S. A. Lindsey County Judge of this Smith County, to the Commissioners of this Smith County, at a regular term thereof on the 15th day of Nov A. D. 1906 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 Texas this 15th day of Nov A. D. 1906
 (SEAL) D. J. Owens
J. B. Bonner
 (Signature of Commissioners) D. J. Epperson
E. J. Lake



Comptroller's Department,

State of Texas,

Austin.

MAR 15 1907

J. W. STEPHENS, COMPTROLLER.
JOHN T. SMITH, CHIEF CLERK.

To the Military Secretary,
War Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to request the military record of
W. W. Harper who is reported to have enlisted in
Company *A*, *19th* Regiment *Alabama Infantry*
in the service of the Confederate States army. *also Folders Battery*

Purpose: The person above named is an applicant for a Confederate pension granted by this State, and I desire to verify his proof of service.

Very respectfully,

J. W. Stephens
Comptroller.

MILITARY SECRETARY'S OFFICE

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WAR DEPARTMENT

*Rustin, Tex.
Mar. 1907*

*W. W. Harper,
A, 19 Ala Inf
also Fowlers Batty.
C. S. A.*

*Comptroller,
Records*

Address: "The Adjutant General,
War Department, Washington, D. C."

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WAR DEPARTMENT,

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, March 20, 1907.

Respectfully returned to the
Comptroller,
State of Texas,
Austin.

It is shown by the records of this office that one Wallace W. Harper, private, Company A, 19th Alabama Infantry, C. S. A., was enlisted August 10, 1861, at Gordo, Alabama, to serve three years. On a return of the regiment for November, 1862, he is reported "On extra duty at Adjutant's Office." No later record of him has been found as of this organization.

The records also show that one Wallace W. Harper, private, Captain Phelan's Company, Alabama Light Artillery, C. S. A., was enlisted January 18, 1864. He surrendered at Citronelle, Alabama, May 4, 1865, and was paroled at Meridian, Mississippi, May 10, 1865.

The Adjutant General.

EX PARTE

IN RE APPLICANT FOR CONFEDERATE PENSION

W. W. Harper

Under Act May 12, 1899, pending in County Commissioners Court of *Smith*

Applicant for Confederate Pension

County, Texas, before the Honorable County Judge of said county.

Answers and depositions of (1)

J. L. Goodson

to the accompanying interrogatories (2)

propounded to *him* in the above entitled cause taken before (3) *W. B. Anthony*
Mayor Town of Marlow Ind., Ex-officio U.S. Commissioner
in accordance with the accompanying (5)

To the first interrogatory the said

J. L. Goodson

Witness, answers:

- Per.* 1. *J. L. Goodson, age 65, Marlow, Ind.*
- 2. *I did know him.*
- 3. *Since 1861, in Pickens County, Alabama.*
- 4. *I do, as a soldier.*
- 5. *Co. A. 19th Alabama Infantry, 1861, Pickens Co. Alabama at Gordo, about two years.*
- 6. *I don't know.*

J. L. Goodson



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 the 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.

SOUTHERN TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

GENERAL OFFICE.

TYLER, TEXAS.

The State of Texas }
 County of Smith }

I, Jake Goodson being sworn
 say upon oath - I know W.W. Harper, have
 known him since 1860. We enlisted together
 Aug 10 1861. at Gordo Pickens county Ala in
 Co A 14th Ala Reg. and served with ~~him~~ ^{together} in
 the confederacy ^{honorably} for 2 yrs until he was discharged
 on account of his health. After he regained
 his health he re enlisted in Fowler's Battery's
 and served to end of war. My brother James S
 Goodson of now residing at Marlow
 in Indian Territory also served with
 us.

Jake Goodson

Sworn to and subscribed before me
 this the 12th day of ~~Aug~~ ^{Oct} 1906

A. A. Lindsey
 Co Judge Smith Co Tex

EX PARTE

W W Harper

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

Pending in the Honorable Commissioners Court of

Smith

County, Texas,

before the Honorable County Judge of said County.

Smith

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 James L Goodson and who reside in the County of in the State of Indian Territory 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 evidence upon the hearing of applicant's claim for pension in behalf of applicant; said testimony is material and indispensable to applicant in furnishing the required proof to his claim for a pension under the Act of May 12, 1899, the application for which is now pending before the Honorable County Judge, and the facts necessary and required to be proven under the provisions of said Act, applicant believes can not be proven by any witness residing in the County of and State of Texas, of which he is a bona fide resident.

W W Harper

(Applicant) Attorney for Applicant.

Direct Interrogatories to be Propounded to the Witness

James L Goodson

- 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 W W Harper who is an applicant for pension under Act of May 12, 1899?
INT. 3. How long have you known the said W W Harper applicant for pension and when and where did you first know him?
INT. 4. Do you personally know that the said W W Harper applicant for pension 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 W W Harper applicant 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 further know that W W Harper the said applicant for pension, is unable to support himself by labor of any sort?

CROSS INTERROGATORIES.

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TO BE PROPOUNDED TO

CROSS INTERROGATORY 1. If in answer to the foregoing direct interrogatories, you have stated that you personally know or did know said applicant, 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 in which applicant 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 you knew of any other soldier or sailor by the name of serving in the same company or regiment in which you say the said applicant enlisted, or if you have stated that said applicant enlisted and served in the navy of the Confederacy, then state whether or not you

know any other sailor of the same name as said..... applicant
serving in the same command.

If you say that you so knew other soldiers or sailors of the same name of applicant's, 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..... applicant
for pension, is the identical person serving as testified by you?

CROSS INT. 3. If you have answered Direct Interrogatory No. 6 in the affirmative, then please state your source of
knowledge or information. Is not this your answer simply based on conjecture?

CROSS INT. 4. Do you know whether or not the said..... applicant
for pension, ever deserted the service in the Confederate army or navy?

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THE STATE OF TEXAS, }

COUNTY OF Smith }
W. W. Harper

I, 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 an-
swers to the hereinabove direct and ~~cross~~ interrogatories of the said herein named witness..... may be attached hereto.

W. W. Harper
County Judge..... County, Texas.
W. W. Harper
(Applicant) Attorney..... for Applicant.

IN RE
APPLICATION FOR CONFEDERATE
PENSION.

IN COMMISSIONERS COURT,

..... County, Texas,

Pending before County Judge of said County.

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Applicant.

INTERROGATORIES
PROPOUNDED TO

Witnesses.