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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. M. B. Hayes*

*Smith*

County

Postoffice

*Gordon Valley*

Filed

**MAY 24 1915**

Approved

**JUN 2 - 1915**

Pension allowed from

*Sept. 1, 1915*

Rejected

*J. C. Jones*  
Commissioner of Pensions.

For Use of Widows of Soldiers who are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF

Smith

I, Mrs.

Margaret G. Hayes

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 John G. Hayes, deceased, who departed this life on the 8th day of Dec., A. D. 1896, in the county of Warren, in the State of Tennessee

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 Feb., A. D. 1877, in the county of Warren, in the State of Tennessee

My husband, the said John G. Hayes, 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? 67 yrs

2. Where were you born? Tenn

3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? 15 yrs

4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? And what is your postoffice address? 15 yrs Garden Valley Texas

5. Did your husband draw a pension? If so, give his file number. No

6. What was your husband's full name? John Duck Hayes

7. What was the date of his death? Dec 8th 1896

8. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? Tenn

9. How long did your husband serve? If known to you give date of enlistment and discharge. 3 yrs 11 mos Come home because he was wounded Spring of 1862. 1866.

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. Company "A." 11th Tennessee Cavalry Was never transferred

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. 11th Tennessee Cavalry



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)

Margaret G. Hayes

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 10th day of March, A. D. 1915

John D. Odom

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 James E. Odom, County Judge of Smith County,  
State of Texas, on this day personally appeared George E. Browning & Frank N. Patton, 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. Margaret C. Hayes, applicant for a pension as the widow of John R. Hayes  
deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of John R. Hayes 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) George E. Browning  
(Signature of Witness) Frank N. Patton

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 22 day of May, A. D. 1916

James E. Odom  
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 James E. Odom, County Judge of Smith County,  
State of Texas, on this day personally appeared Eugene B. Tunnell & Douglas L. Veasey, 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 Margaret C. Hayes  
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) Eugene B. Tunnell  
(Signature of Witness) Douglas L. Veasey

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 22 day of May, A. D. 1916

James E. Odom  
County Judge Smith County, Texas.

[Seal.]

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 TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Warren

Before me, Jos Gusho Clerk of Warren County Judge of Warren County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared John W. Powell, 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 the applicant's husband in the Confederate Army; (State fully your source of knowledge):

Margaret C. Hayes is the wife of John Luck Hayes of Warren County Texas. He was in the Confederate Army of Cavalry, then merged in Forests Cavalry. John L. Hayes was in the Thompson Station fight and with Forest after federal Cavalry in Rome Ga. John Hayes was my neighbor before the war and his wife is justly entitled to a Pension or would be in Tenn. There is only one man living that I know of besides myself. & I am now 79 yrs of age.

(Signature of Witness)

John W Powell

(Signature of Witness)

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13 day of May, A. D. 1915

[Seal.]

Jos Gusho Clerk  
County Judge Warren County, Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR

I, W.A.Allen, State and County Assessor in the County of Smith

State of Texas, do certify that Mrs. M.C.Hayes 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 22nd day of May, A. D. 1915



W A Allen

State and County Assessor.



OFFICE OF  
COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS  
STATE OF TEXAS  
AUSTIN

J. C. JONES, COMMISSIONER

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To the Adjutant General,

War Department,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to request the military record of John L. Hayes who is  
reported to have enlisted in Company A, Regiment 11 Tenn. Cavalry

in service of the Confederate States Army.

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



Very Respectfully,

*J. C. Jones*  
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Commissioner of Pensions.

WAR DEPARTMENT,

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, May 29, 1915.

Respectfully returned to the

Commissioner of Pensions,  
State of Texas, Austin.

The records show that one J. L. Hayes (surname also borne as Hayse, but name not found as John L. Hayes), private, Company L (not found as of Company A), 11th (Holman's) Regiment Tennessee Cavalry, C.S.A., was enlisted July 28 (year not stated), by O.F. Brewster. His name first appears on the company roll for March and April, 1863, and is last borne on the roll for May and June, 1863, on which the soldier was reported present; been absent sick. Only later roll of the company on file is that covering the period from December 31, 1863, to June 30, 1864. Nothing additional found.

*H. P. McCarri*

The Adjutant General.

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Received A.G.O.,

MAY 28 1915

State of Tennessee

Warren County.

Personally appeared before me, Jos. Gessler, Clerk of Warren County Court, J.R.Grove and made oath in due form of law that he was personally acquainted with Margaret C.Hayes until she removed ~~with her husband John C. Hayes~~ ~~Hayes~~ to the State of Texas several years ago. The said John L.Hayes enlisted in the same Co. and Reg. with me and served honorably as a soldier in the 11th. Tenn. Cal. D.W.Holman, was the Col. and O.F.Bruster was the Capt. and I believe the statements made in her application are true.

J. R. Grove

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 13th. day of May 1915.

Jos Gessler Clerk