

39606

Form B.

WIDOW'S APPLICATION FOR A PENSION

The Comptroller of Public Accounts reserves the right to call for additional testimony if he deems it necessary.

*[Handwritten signature]*

Name of Applicant.

*Mrs. M. E. House*

*Smith*

County.

Postoffice

*Tyler Texas*

Filed

*1/22/24*

Approved

*1/26/24*

Pension allowed from

*12/1/23*

Rejected

*Lou A. Smith*

Comptroller of Public Accounts.

THE E. L. STECK CO., AUSTIN

*OK #16873*

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COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE

For Use of Widows of Soldiers Who Are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of

*Smith*

I, Mrs.

*M. E. House*

do hereby make application to the

Comptroller of Public Accounts 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 *F. M. House* deceased, who departed this life on the *9th* day of *Dec*, A. D. *1923* in the county of *Smith* 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 *6th* day of *July* A. D. *1865*, in the county of *Anderson* in the State of *Tennessee*

My husband, the said *F. M. House*, 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 \$1000; 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? *84*
2. Where were you born? *Tennessee*
3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? *since 1871*
4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? And what is your postoffice address? *11 1/2 1st St. Smith TX 10*
5. Did your husband draw a pension? If so give his file number. *16873 Daugherty*
6. What was your husband's full name? *Francis Marion House*
7. What was the date of his death? *9th day of Dec 1923*
8. In what State was your husband's command originally organized?
9. How long did your husband serve? If known to you, give date of enlistment and discharge. *See Report in 16873*
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
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

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) *M. E. House*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this *18th* day of *April* A. D. 19*24*

*W. R. Daugherty*  
County Judge *Smith* County, Texas.



[Seal.]

\*Where applicant has remarried it is necessary that she state facts covering particulars of last marriage, date, to whom married, and date of last husband's death. She must also state that she is now a widow.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of

*Quinn*

Before me, *L. A. Beckett*, County Judge of *Quinn* County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *O. L. Phillips & F. Alexander*, 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. *Mary E. Hance*, applicant for a pension as the widow of *F. M. Hance* deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of *F. M. Hance* deceased; that they personally know that she has not remarried since the death of her husband, for whose services in the army she claims a pension, and that they have no interest in this claim.\*

(Signature of Witness) *O. L. Phillips*

(Signature of Witness) *F. Alexander*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *18<sup>th</sup>* day of *April*, A. D. 19*24*

*L. A. Beckett*

[Seal.]

County Judge *Quinn* County, Texas.

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Before me, *L. A. Beckett*, County Judge of *Quinn* County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *O. L. Phillips & F. Alexander*, 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 *Mary E. Hance* 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) *O. L. Phillips*

(Signature of Witness) *F. T. Alexander*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *18<sup>th</sup>* day of *April*, A. D. 19*24*

*L. A. Beckett*

[Seal.]

County Judge *Quinn* 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 personally
known to me to be creditable citizens, who, being by me sworn, on oath state that they are personally ac-
quainted 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 applicant's husband in the Confederate
Army: (State fully your source of knowledge) .....

(Signature of Witness) .....

(Signature of Witness) .....

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this ..... day of ....., A. D. 19.....

[Seal.]

County Judge ..... County, Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR



I, J. L. W. Keel, State and County Assessor in the County of Smith
State of Texas, do certify that Mrs. Mary E. House 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 non
Dollars, and of other property, real or personal, or both,
of the value of non Dollars.

Given under my hand, this 18 day of Jan, A. D. 1924

J. L. W. Keel
State and County Assessor.

APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Smith I, L. C. House

do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late Mrs. M. E. House, who was a pensioner of the State of Texas, and whose file number is 39606 and whose original county is Smith

The said pensioner Mrs. M. E. House died on the 23rd day of April, 1924, in the town of Tyler, County of Smith, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of Mr. L. C. House 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. M. E. House

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, R#10.

Signed L. C. House

Before me the undersigned authority in and for the County of Smith, State of Texas, personally appeared L. C. House, who being by me duly sworn did certify to, and sign the foregoing statement.

(Seal of Office)

W. R. Hudnall, County Clerk, Smith  
County, Texas.  
By Wm. Long Deputy.

CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER.

I, J. F. Daniel, do certify that I am undertaker in the town of Tyler, County of Smith, State of Texas that I had charge of the body of Mrs. M. E. House, who died in the town of Tyler, County of Smith, State of Texas on the 23 day of April, 1924. That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 23 day of April, 1924. That said body was buried in the Eden Cemetery, which is located in the County of Van Zandt, State of Texas, and that I am of the opinion that warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said L. C. House, who makes the foregoing application.

Signed J. F. Daniel Undertaker.

CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN.

I, Hugh H. Woodson, do certify that I am a practicing physician, and that I attended Mary Elizabeth House in his last illness, and am of the opinion that his ailments were Paralysis



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 March 2, 1917.

Signed Hugh H. Woodson Physician.

Physician's Address Rt 586 Tyler Tex

Apr - 23 - 1924