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FORM A.

Soldier'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.

George W. Hughes

County.

Postoffice *Waller Texas*

Filed

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Pension allowed from *Dec 12 1914*

Rejected

Commissioner of Pensions

George W. Hughes

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FORM A

For Use of Soldiers Who Are In Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of *Smith*

I, *George W. Hughes* do hereby make application to the Commissioner of Pensions for a pension to be granted me under the Act passed by the 33rd Legislature of the State of Texas, and approved April 7, 1913, on the following grounds:

I enlisted and served in the military service of the Confederate States during the war between the States of the United States, and that I did not desert the Confederate service, but during said war I was loyal and true to my duty, and never at any time voluntarily abandoned my post of duty in the said service; ~~or that I was in the service of the State of Texas during the war, to protect said State against the Indians and Mexicans for more than 6 months.~~

That I was honorably discharged or surrendered *at Kingston Georgia with 4th Georgia Cavalry at close of war*

(Give date and cause.)

that I have been a bona fide citizen of this State 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 hold any National, State, city or county office which pays me a salary or fees of \$300.00 per annum, nor have I an income from any other employment or other source whatever which amounts to \$300.00 per annum, nor do I 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 any one hold in trust for my benefit or use, nor does my wife own, nor does any one hold in trust for my wife, estate or property, either real, personal or mixed, either in fee or for life, of the assessed value of over one thousand dollars, exclusive of a home of the value of not more than \$1000.00; nor do I receive any aid or pension from any other State, or from the United States, or from any other source, and that I am not an inmate of the Confederate Home, and I do further State that the answers given to the following questions are true:

- 1. What is your age? *Eighty in last February*
- 2. Where were you born? *Tennessee*
- 3. How long have you resided in Texas? *Since 1882*
- 4. In what county do you reside? *Smith*
- 5. How long have you resided in said county and what is your postoffice address? *Thirty years.*

P.O. Address *417 W. Front St Tyler Texas*

6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law, and been rejected? If rejected, state when and where. *This is the first application*

- 7. What is your occupation, if able to engage in one? *None*
- 8. In what State was the command in which you served organized? *Tennessee*



9. How long did you serve? Give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge. *enlist Oct 25 1862 & served until end of war*

10. What was the letter of your company, number of battalion, regiment or battery? *Company "G"*

11. If transferred from one command to another, give time of transfer, name of command and time of service. *Was never transferred*

12. What branch of the service did you enlist in—infantry, cavalry, artillery or navy? *Cavalry*

13. If commissioned direct by the President, what was your rank and line of duty?

Was never commissioned by the President

14. If detailed for special service, under the law of conscription, what was the nature of your service and how long did you serve? *Was never detailed.*

15. Have you transferred to others any property of any kind for the purpose of becoming a beneficiary under this law? *I have not*

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

(Signature of Applicant)

G. W. Hughes

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 5th day of September, A. D. 1914

[Seal.]

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

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared J.R. Patterson and Robt. Allen, who are personally

known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know George

W. Hughes, the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said George W. Hughes 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 his claim.

(Signature of Witness)

J.R. Patterson

(Signature of Witness)

Robt Allen

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 5th day of September, 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 in the army, and, if so, let them, or either, state it in their oath, their source of knowledge, also any information regarding applicant's army service.)

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 his application are correct and true, to the best of their knowledge and belief, and that they have no interest in this claim, and said

applicant's habits are good and free from dishonor. And..... further make oath to the following facts touching the applicant's service in the Confederate Army: (State fully your source of knowledge.)

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(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, HB Matthews, State and County Assessor in the County of Smith

State of Texas, do certify that G. W. Hughes 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 33rd Legislature, approved April 7, 1913, is charged on the land and personal property rolls of said county with estate, real personal and mixed, at the assessed value of 220. dollars.

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

HB Matthews
State and County Assessor.



The State of Texas Before me
 County of Smith County Judge of Smith County
 Texas, on this day personally
 appeared George W. Hughes, well known to me to be, a cred-
 ible, and trustworthy person, who, being by me duly
 sworn, according to law says, he is the same identical
 Confederate Veteran, named, and referred to, in the
 foregoing attached application for Pension under the
 laws of Texas; and that all the material facts therein
 stated, are true; and that, because of the great lapse
 of time intervening between the date of his service in
 the Confederate Army, and the present time, and the
 many changes occurring in the meantime, through
 deaths of old comrades, and acquaintances, and the
 scattering from place to place, of those who may survive,
 make it difficult, and almost impossible, to locate
 any two of his associates, by whom he could make
 actual proof of his service in the Confederate Army,
 as set out in his application for Pension, and be-
 cause of that fact, he is compelled to resort to, and
 rely upon the accompanying Certificate from the
 Archives of the U.S. War Department, which clearly
 show his record, as a Confederate soldier; and he
 now prays that the same may be received, and ac-
 cepted, as the required proof of his service, in lieu
 of the testimony of (2) two witnesses possessing actual
 knowledge of that fact, inasmuch, as it is, al-
 most impossible, to locate such witnesses, for the
 reasons above stated. G. W. Hughes

* Signature

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5th day
 of September, A.D. 1914
 J. W. Odom (TX)
 County Judge, Smith County Texas

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

August 12, 1914.

Adjutant General Geo. Andrews,
 War Department,
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith a request from Mr. J. F. Knox, of Beaumont, Texas, for the service record of Mr. George Hughes, a soldier in the late Confederate Army. I would be glad to have this information, if available. Please return enclosure.

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Very truly yours,

Daniel E. Garnett

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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

WASHINGTON, August 14, 1914.

Respectfully returned to

Hon. Daniel E. Garrett,
House of Representatives.

The records show that George W. Hughes, first sergeant, Company G, 12th Georgia Cavalry (also known as Company G, 4th Georgia Cavalry), Confederate States Army, enlisted October 25, 1862, at Flint Springs, Tennessee. On the last company roll on file, dated December 31, 1863, he was reported present. No later record of him has been found.



The Adjutant General.

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To Whom It May Concern:-

We, the undersigned officers and members of Albert Sidney *Johnston* Camp No.48, United Confederate Veterans, located at Tyler, Texas, do certify hereby, that G.W.Hughes, who is an applicant for a Confederate Pension, is a member in good standing of this Confederate Camp; that from our general information of the man and from our personal knowledge of him and acquaintance with him, we believe that he is entitled to and deserves a pension; that we feel absolutely sure that the matters stated by him in his application for a pension are true; and we recommend to the pension commissioner that he approve his application and place him on the pension rolls.

Witness our hands at Tyler, Texas, this the 16th day of September, 1914.

J. A. Reynolds. Sergeant Major
R. H. Brown.
B. B. Beard. Major, Tyler Texas
W. J. Gray. Quarters Master
W. J. Wilson. Sergeant
F. S. Zachary Sec Lieutenant A. U. C. #45
W. W. Gant -
Commander

W. E. Cox Adjutant

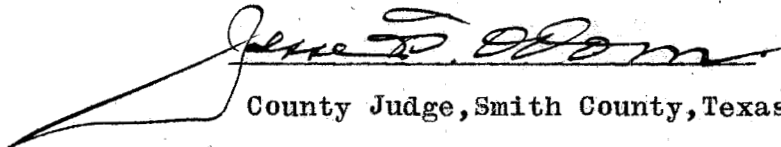


The State of Texas,
County of Smith.

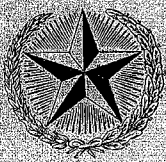
I, Jesse F. Odom, County Judge of Smith County, Texas, do hereby certify that I am personally acquainted with G.W. Hughes who is an applicant for a Confederate Pension, and have known him for quite a number of years; that from my acquaintance with him, and from what I have learned and heard from his neighbors and friends, I am firmly convinced that he enlisted in the Confederate Army and performed the duties of a soldier; that he is worthy and deserving citizen, and is entitled to and deserves a pension.

Wherefore I recommend to the Pension Commissioner to place the said G.W. Hughes on the pension rolls and approve his application for a pension.

Witness my hand and seal of office this 16th day of September, 1914.


County Judge, Smith County, Texas.



GEO. W. KYSER
COMMISSIONEROFFICE OF
Commissioner of Pensions

State of Texas

Austin

Judge Jesse F. Odorn - Sept 11th 1914
 Tyler Texas -

Dear Judge

I return the application of Comrade Geo. W. Hughes, and suggest that, as he cannot get any living witnesses to his service in the Army that he get the indorsement of this Confederate Camp, and a request from the Camp - and also a request from you, that I approve the application and place him on the Pension Rolls - Where we cannot get the two witnesses as the law requires I must have the cooperation and assistance of the County ^J Judges and my Comrades, in order to do my duty to the distressed old Comrades and the noble widows of our dead Comrades - attend to this and return it for approval -

Yours truly
 Geo. W. Kyser,
 Commr of Pensions