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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:

Geo. P. Lewis

Smith County

Postoffice

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Aug 13th 1913

Approved

Sept 1, 1913

Pension allowed from

Dec 1, 1913

Rejected

Commissioner of Pensions

Geo. P. Lewis

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For Use of Soldiers Who Are In Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of Smith.

I, Gee.R.Kennedy 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 surrendered 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? 71 years old.
2. Where where you born? Alabama.
3. How long have you resided in Texas? 67 years.
4. In what county do you reside? Smith.
5. How long have you resided in said county and what is your postoffice address? 67 years. Tyler, Texas.
6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law and been rejected? If rejected, state when and where. No
7. What is your occupation, if able to engage in one? Farmer.
8. In what State was the command in which you served organized? Texas.
9. How long did you serve? Give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge. About four years.
10. What was the letter of your company, number of battalion, regiment or battery? First joined 3rd Texas Regiment. Served from June 3rd until July 27th. Then joined 14th Texas, and served over 3 years. Was transferred to 3rd Texas again.
11. If transferred from one command to another, give time of transfer, name of command and time of service Was transferred from 14th Texas to 3rd Texas as stated above.
12. What branch of the service did you enlist in—infantry, cavalry, artillery or navy? Cavalry.

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

Was not.

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 not.

15. 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 his application for pension be approved and such other proceedings be had in the premises as are required by law.

(Signature of Applicant) *G.R. Kennedy*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th day of August, A. D. 1913

[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 Geo. C. Burruss & J. S. Lavender,

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

G. R. Kennedy, the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the

said G. R. Kennedy 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) *Geo. C. Burruss*

(Signature of Witness) *J. S. Lavender*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th day of August, A. D. 1913

[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 Smith.

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

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared Geo. M. Johnson and A. J. Gilliam

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 A.J. Gilliam further make oath to the following facts touching the applicant's service in the Confederate Army: (State fully your source of knowledge.)

that he served in the same company with the said Geo.R.Kennedy,
and knows of his own personal knowledge that Mr.Kennedy served
in the war as claimed by him.

(Signature of Witness)

Geo. M. Johnson

(Signature of Witness)

A.J. Gilliam

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 13th day of August, A. D. 1913

[SEAL.]

James D. Brown
County Judge Smith County, Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR

I, H.B. Matthews, State and County Assessor in the County of Smith

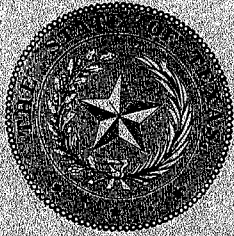
State of Texas, do certify that Geo.R.Kennedy or his wife, or his trustee, or trustee for his wife, whose name is signed to the foregoing application for a pension, under the Act of the 33rd Legislature, approved April 7, 1913, is charged on the land and personal property rolls of said county with estate, real personal and mixed, at the assessed value of \$ 1000⁰⁰ dollars.

Given under my hand, this 13th day of August, A. D. 1913

H.B. Matthews

State and County Assessor.





GEO. W. KYSER, COMMISSIONER

OFFICE OF
COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS
STATE OF TEXAS
AUSTIN

To the Adjutant General,

War Department,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:—

I have the honor to request the military record of G. P. Kennedy who is
reported to have enlisted in Company 3rd Lucas, Cavalry Regiment 14th Lucas, Cavalry
in service of the Confederate States Army.

Purpose: The 9 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,

Geo. W. Kyser
Commissioner of Pensions.



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WAR DEPARTMENT,

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

2099450 WASHINGTON, November 22, 1913.

Respectfully returned to the

Commissioner of Pensions,
State of Texas,
Austin.

The name G. R. Kennedy has not been found on the rolls of any 3d Texas Cavalry or 14th Texas Cavalry, Confederate States Army, and no record has been found of the capture or parole of a man of this name as a member of any such organization.

The records show that George R. W. S. Kennedy, Troop B, 14th Texas Cavalry, Confederate States Army, enlisted December 15, 1861, for twelve months, and the roll dated April 5, 1864, last on which his name appears, shows him absent with remark, "Sent to hosp't. from Meridian, Feb. -- 1864."
No further record of this man has been found.



The Adjutant General.

Mrs Phillips
Tyler Texas

January 23, 1941.

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Geo. R. Kennedy, Deceased
Confederate Soldier. Pension
File No. 23996 Smith Co.

The records of this office show George R. Kennedy of Smith County, Texas filed application for Confederate Pension in the State of Texas in August, 1913 and the application was approved under file number 23996.

George R. Kennedy was a private in Company B, 14th Texas Cavalry, Confederate States Army, being transferred from the 3rd Texas Cavalry. He enlisted December 19, 1861 and served until the surrender in April, 1865.

The application for pension of Mr. Kennedy was approved on a report furnished this office by the Adjutant General, War Department, Washington, D. C.

Comptroller of Public Accounts

