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FORM A. 3138

**SOLDIER'S APPLICATION FOR A PENSION**

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

10-26-35

Name of Applicant.

A. J. Lawrence  
Smith County

R. F. D. or Street No. Route 3.

Postoffice Kilgore, Texas.

Filed Dec. 17, 1928

Approved Jan. 5, 1929

Pension allowed from Dec. 1, 1928

Rejected  
S. H. Yencelle

Comptroller of Public Accounts.



### Soldier's Application for Confederate Pension

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Smith

*John Halbert*  
*Major*

I, A. J. Lawrence 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, 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 the war I was loyal and true to my duty, and never at any time 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 the close of the war between the states

(Give date and cause.)

that I have been a bona fide citizen of this State since prior to January 1, A. D. 1910, 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 \$2000.00; 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? I was eighty years of age 23rd of August 1928.
2. Where were you born? State of Mississippi
3. How long have you resided in Texas? Since 1872.
4. In what county do you reside? Smith County Texas.
5. How long have you resided in said county? 56 years What is your postoffice address? Kilgore, Texas R F D No 3.
6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law and been rejected? Yes  
If rejected, state when and where Rejected about 14 or 15 years ago by Texas
7. What is your occupation, if able to engage in one? Justice of the Peace Smith Co What is your physical condition? I am in poor physical condition.
8. In what State was the command in which you served organized? Mississippi.
9. How long did you serve? 4 1/2 months Give if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge enlisted 4 1/2 months before the close of the war and served until the close of the war.
10. What was the letter of your company, number of battalion, regiment or battery? I was a member of Captain A J Halbert's Company of Infantry. Enlisted in Oktibbaha County Mississippi. Col. Foote was our regimental commander; under Lt Col. Weeks; and under Major Outlaw.
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? Infantry.
13. What is the assessed value of your home, if you own a home? None.
14. What is the assessed value of your other property? Own no property.
15. Have you transferred to others any property of any kind for the purpose of becoming a beneficiary under this law? No. ( I only have a small precinct J P office of about \$200.00 per year income which comes in fees when they are paid. That is my maximum.  
Wherefore your petitioner prays that his application for a pension be approved and such other proceedings be had in the premises as are required by law.

(Signature of Applicant)

*A. J. Lawrence*



Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 3rd day of December 1928, A. D. 192

*W. H. Spae*

[Seal]

County Judge Smith County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Smith

Before me, W. A. Jace, County Judge of Smith County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared E. G. Holt and A. P. Brewster

who are personally known to me to be creditable citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know A. J. Lawrence, the above named applicant for pension, and that they personally know that the said A. J. Lawrence has been a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas since prior to January 1, A. D. 1910, and that they have no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness) E. G. Holt

(Signature of Witness) A. P. Brewster

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 15th day of Dec, A. D. 1928

W. A. Jace

[Seal.]

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 of them, state in their oath their source of knowledge, also any information regarding applicant's army service.

Mississippi  
THE STATE OF ~~TEXAS~~  
County of Oktibbeha

Before me, J.E. Buckner, Clerk of Oktibbeha County, State of Miss. on this day personally appeared J.M. Carpenter, who are 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 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)

I served in the same company with the applicant, and knew him to be a good soldier, and that the statements set out in his application are true and correct.

(Signature of Witness)

J.M. Carpenter

(Signature of Witness)

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 8th day of December, A. D. 1928

J.E. Buckner

Clerk

Miss.

County of Oktibbeha

County, Texas

[Seal.]

W. W. Pace

do certify that J.E. Buckner is Clerk of Oktibbeha County, Mississippi

CERTIFICATE OF STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR

I, H.H. Allen, State and County Assessor in the County of Smith State of Texas, do certify that A.J. Lawrence, 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 Thirty-third Legislature, approved April 7, 1913, and amended by Regular Session Thirty-eighth Legislature, is charged on the tax rolls of said county with a homestead of the value of None Dollars, and of other property, real or personal, or both, of the value of None Dollars.



Given under my hand, this 15 day of Dec - A. D. 1928

H.H. Allen

State and County Assessor.



## Comptroller's Department

State of Texas

Austin

December 17, 1928

To the Adjutant General,  
War Department,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

I have the honor to request the Military  
record of A. J. Lawrence, who is  
reported to have enlisted in Company A. J. Halberts, Mississippi  
Infantry  
Regiment.

Enlisted in Oktibbaha County, Mississippi, Col. Poote  
was the regimental commander, under Lt. Col Meeks  
and Major Outlaw.



in service in the Confederate States Army.

Very respectfully,

*S. H. Jewell*

Comptroller of State of Texas.

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WAR DEPARTMENT

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

WASHINGTON December 22, 1928.

IN REPLY  
REFER TO O.R.D.

Respectfully returned to

Comptroller,  
State of Texas,  
Austin, Texas.

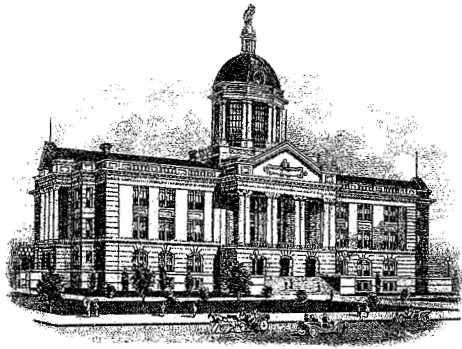
The records show that A. J. Lawrence, Hobart's Co., 1st. (Footte's) Miss. Inf.,  
C.S.A., (also called Capt. A. J. Hobart's Co., 1st. (Footte's) Regt. 20 day Inf.,  
State Troops) enlisted July 12, - , (1864) at Artesia.  
Muster roll July 12 to 19, 1864, (only roll on file) shows him present, a  
Private.

Capture, parole or later record not found.  
A. J. Holbert was Captain of the company.

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*E. H. Bridges*  
Brigadier General,  
Acting The Adjutant General.  
By *TC*

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J. R. WARREN, DISTRICT JUDGE

W. G. RUSSELL, DISTRICT ATTORNEY

A. M. RAMSOUR, DISTRICT CLERK

WILL D. PACE, COUNTY JUDGE  
E. S. GOENS, COUNTY ATTORNEY  
ALBERT BROWN, COUNTY CLERK

T. C. SIKES, SHERIFF  
S. L. WATTS, TAX COLLECTOR  
HENRY ALLEN, TAX ASSESSOR

E. W. ODEN, COUNTY TREASURER  
A. P. PRESTWOOD, COUNTY AUDITOR  
D. M. EDWARDS, COUNTY SURVEYOR  
R. S. BOULTER, COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

H. L. CARTER, PRECINCT No. 1  
J. J. MILL, PRECINCT No. 2

F. B. CLINKSCALE, PRECINCT No. 3  
JNO. J. PIERCE, PRECINCT No. 4

TYLER, TEXAS

December 15, 1928.

Hon S H Terrell, Comptroller,

Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir: I am enclosing herewith the application of A J Lawrence for a Confederate Soldier's Pension from Texas.

Mr. Lawrence is an old Confederate soldier who gets his mail out of Kilgore Texas R F D No 2.

I hope that he will receive notice that his pension has been granted and that he will thereby the more enjoy his Christmas as a result.



yours truly,

*Will D. Pace*

COMPTROLLERS OFFICE  
RECEIVED  
DEC 17 1928  
Area for \_\_\_\_\_  
No. \_\_\_\_\_



### APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Travis } I, Chas B Cook  
do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late A J Lawrence, who was a pensioner of the State of Texas, and whose file number was 45084 and whose original county was South

The said pensioner A J Lawrence, died on the 25 day of Oct, 1935, in the town of Austin County of Travis, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of Preparate Home who was related to the pensioner as Friend

That the warrant, which application is hereby made for, shall be applied to paying all or part of the funeral expenses incurred by the said pensioner A J Lawrence

I further certify that the warrant for the current month has not been cashed by the pensioner, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I am related to the pensioner as Friend that my postoffice address is 1100 Calhoun Street or R. F. D., Austin City, Tx State

Signed Chas B Cook Sworn to before me this 25 day of Oct, 1935

Notary Public in and for Travis State of Texas.

**Must return before 40 days expires from date of Pensioners' death**

#### CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, H J Brown, do certify that I am undertaker in the town of Austin, County of Travis, State of Texas that I had charge of the body of A J Lawrence, who died in the town of Austin, County of Travis, State of Texas on the 25 day of Oct, 1935. That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 25 day of Oct, 1935, and that I am of the opinion that warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said Chas B Cook who makes the foregoing application.

Signed H J Brown Undertaker.

#### CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, \_\_\_\_\_, do certify that I am a practicing physician, and that I attended \_\_\_\_\_ in his last illness, and am of the opinion that his ailments were \_\_\_\_\_

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-eighth Legislature and approved March 2, 1923.

223 Oct 1935 - #12,500  
Cancelled  
Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Physician's Address \_\_\_\_\_

