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FORM B.

### Widow's Application for a Pension

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The Commissioner of Pensions reserves the right to call for additional testimony if he deems it necessary.

*Dead - 10-29-24*

Name of Applicant

*Ms. A. J. Lawrence*  
*Ornick*

County

Postoffice

*Chandler*  
*Rt 2*

Filed

*Aug 30, 1913.*

Approved

*Sept 1, 1913*

Pension allowed from

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Commissioner of Pensions.

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**FORM B****For Use of Widows of Soldiers Who Are In Indigent Circumstances****THE STATE OF TEXAS**County of Smith.

I, Mrs. 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-first Legislature of the State of Texas, and approved April 7, A. D. 1913, on the following grounds:

I am the widow of J. W. Lawrence, deceased, who departed this life on the 7th day of November, A. D. 1909, 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 12th day of December, A. D. 1897, in the county of Smith, in the State of Texas

My husband, the said J. W. Lawrence, 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? 71 years old.
2. Where were you born? Limestone County, Ala.
3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? 60 years.
4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? And what is your postoffice address?  
60 years. Chandler, Texas, Route 2.
5. What was your husband's full name? James Washington Lawrence.
6. What was the date of his death? November 7th 1909
7. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? Alabama, I think.
8. How long did your husband serve? If known to you, give date of enlistment and discharge.  
He served about four years.
9. What was the name or letter of the company, or name 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. Don't know.
10. 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. Don't know.
11. Have you transferred to other any property of any kind for the purpose of becoming a beneficiary under this law? No.

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

(Signature of Applicant)

*A. J. Lawrence*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 3rd day of September, A. D. 1913

[Seal.]

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

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared Jno. F. Haden and Jno. A. Lott, who are personally

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

Mrs. A. J. Lawrence, applicant for a pension as the widow of J. W. Lawrence

deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of J. W. Lawrence 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 pen-

sion, and that they have no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness)

*John F. Haden*

(Signature of Witness)

*Jno. A. Lott*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 3rd day of September, A. D. 1913

[Seal.]

*Jesse F. Odom*  
County Judge Smith County, Texas.

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known to me to be credible 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 Mrs. A. J. Lawrence

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)

*John F. Haden*

(Signature of Witness)

*Jno. A. Lott*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 3rd day of September, A. D. 1913

[Seal.]

*Jesse F. Odom*  
County Judge Smith County, Texas.

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(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 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 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.) This applicant's husband was drawing a pension at the time of his death, but his widow has lost all of his old papers and does not remember the number of his Certificate. However, I am cognizant of the fact that her husband was drawing a pension. So, I ask that you kindly look up the papers in connection with her husband's application, and consider same in connection with this application. She does not know of any witnesses as to her husband's service, and has been unable to locate any.

*Jesse D. Brown*  
County Judge, Smith County, Texas.

(Signature of Witness) \_\_\_\_\_

(Signature of Witness) \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, A. D. 1913

[Seal] \_\_\_\_\_ County Judge \_\_\_\_\_ 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 hereby certify that Mrs. A.J. Lawrence

whose name is signed to the foregoing application for a pension, under the Act of the 33rd Legislature, approved April 7, A. D. 1913, is charged on the land and personal property rolls of the said county, in her name, or the name of a trustee, with estate, real, personal and mixed, at the assessed value of 700 dollars.

Given under my hand, this 3rd day of September, A. D. 1913

*H.B. Matthews*  
State and County Assessor.





# APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Henderson

I, W. J. Craig

do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late Mrs A. J. Lawrence, who was a pensioner of the State of Texas, and whose file number was 22377 and whose original county was Smith

The said pensioner Mrs. A. J. Lawrence died on the 25 day of Oct, 1924, in the town of Chandler R. & E. County of Henderson, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of W. J. Craig 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 A. J. Lawrence

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, that my postoffice address is Chandler Loka Street or R. F. D. 3

City

State

Sworn to before me this 7 day of Nov, 1924

Signed X W. J. Lawrence  
Hoazel C. Barton

Notary Public in and for Henderson Co. State of Texas.

## CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

We Wyatt & Holiman do certify that we sell Coffins I am undertaker in the town of Brownboro County of Henderson State of Texas that ~~in charge of the body of~~ we hold a casket for Mrs A. J. Lawrence who died in the town of Henderson County of Henderson State of Texas on the 25th day of October, 1924. That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 25th day of October, 1924, and that we are of the opinion that warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said W. J. Craig who makes the foregoing application.

Signed Wyatt & Holiman  
Per M. Holiman Undertaker

## CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, M. M. M. M. M. do certify that I am a practicing physician, and that I attended Mrs A. J. Lawrence in his last illness, and am of the opinion that his ailments were Apoplexy

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.

Signed M. M. M. M. M. Physician's Address Pr. W. W. W. St. (TX)

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

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