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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.

Name of Applicant.

Mrs. Mary E. Lee,

Smith

County

Postoffice Gladewater, Route 1

Filed *Nov - 30th 1914*

Approved " " "

Pension allowed from *Dec 1st 1914*

Rejected

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Commissioner of Pensions,
State of Texas

STICK, PRINTING, BOOKBINDING, AUSTIN

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For Use of Widows of Soldiers Who are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF Smith

I, Mrs. Mary E. Lee, 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, A. D. 1913, on the following grounds:

I am the widow of James R. Lee, deceased, who departed this life on the 14 day of April, A. D. 1899, 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 20 day of Dec, A. D. 1871, in the county of Panola, in the State of Tx

My husband, the said J R Lee, 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? 68
- 2. Where were you born? Shelby Co Tx
- 3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? 68 years
- 4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? And what is your postoffice address? 35 years Gladewater R. N. 1 Tx
- 5. Did husband draw a pension? If so, give his file number no
- 6. What was your husband's full name? James Randolph Lee
- 7. What was the date of his death? April 14 - 1899
- 8. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? Texas
- 9. How long did your husband serve? If known to you, give date of enlistment and discharge.

10. 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. Company C, 25th Texas Mounted Cavalry

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. Dismounted Cavalry (TX)

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 be approved and such other proceedings be had in the premises as are required by law.

(Signature of Applicant) Mary E Lee

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 11th day of Nov, A. D. 1914

J. S. Edom
County Judge _____ County, Texas.

[Seal.]

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 R.E. Jordan and J.S. Merritt, 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. Mary E. Lee, applicant for a pension as the widow of J.R. Lee

deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of J.R. Lee 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 pension, and that they have no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness) R E Jordan

(Signature of Witness) J S Merritt

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 11th day of November, A. D. 1914

[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. Mary E. Lee

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) R E Jordan

(Signature of Witness) J S Merritt

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 11th day of November, 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'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 Parola }

Before me, J.P. Martin Notary Public Parola County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared H.W. Mitcolf & C.A. Barber Sr, 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): he belonged company C-28 Texas

D.M. cavalry & we served with him

(Signature of Witness) C.A. Barber Sr

(Signature of Witness) H.W. Mitcolf

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 10th day of October, A. D. 1914

[Seal.]

J.P. Martin Notary Public Parola County, Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR

I, H.B. Matthews, State and County Assessor in the County of _____, State of Texas, do certify that Mrs. Mary E. Lee, 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, is charged on the tax rolls of said county with a homestead of the value of \$300.00 Dollars, and of other property, real or personal, or both, of the value of None Dollars.

Given under my hand, this 27th day of November, A. D. 1914

H. B. Matthews
State and County Assessor.

The State of Texas,
County of Smith.

I, Geo. Hartshorn, County Judge of Panola County, Texas,
do hereby certify that C.A. Barber, Sr. and H.W. Metcalf, whose names
appear signed to the above and foregoing application for pension
are each of trustworthy character and entitled to credit.

Witness my hand and seal of office this the 23 day of
November, 1914.

Geo. Hartshorn (IX)
County Judge, Panola County, Texas.

DEPOSITION IN PENSION CLAIMS, WITH CAPTION AND CERTIFICATES.

EX PARTE

Mary Edlin

IN RE APPLICANT FOR CONFEDERATE PENSION
Under Act May 12, 1899, pending in County Commis-
sioners Court of *Smith*

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

County, Texas, before the Honorable County
Judge of said County.

Answers and depositions of (1) Henry Lee of Panola County, Texas

to the accompanying interrogations (2) Direct and Cross
propounded to him in the above entitled cause taken before (3) W.R. Anderson, County, Judge
in accordance with the accompanying (5) agreement

To the first interrogatory the said Henry Lee
Witness, answers My age is 66 years, I now reside in Panola County, Tex
My Postoffice address is now" Beckville, Texas

To 2nd Intg, Witness Answers. I personally knew J.R. Lee, He was my Brother
He is now dead.

To 3rd Intg, Witness Answers. I knew J.R. Lee from his Birth up to his
death.

To 4th Intg, Witness Answers. I personally know that J.R. Lee enlisted in
the confederate service, and performed the duties of a Soldier.

To the 5th Intg, Witness Answers. I personally know that applicant enlisted
in confederate service, in Company B, 14th Texas Infantry. He enlisted about
in April or may 1863, and served until close of War. He enlisted at Mansfield
La. He served principally in Louisiana and Arkansas, I was with him during
his said service, and personally know that he served as above detailed.

I personally know that the Applicant, J.R. Lee, Was not commissioned by
president as an officer. I personally know that applicant, J.R. Lee, was
not detailed for any special service.

(IX)

Cross Interrogatories propounded by the Hon, County Judge of Smith
County, Texas.

To the First X Intg, Witness answers. I personally know that applicant
J.R. Lee, enlisted and served in confederate army as a Soldier, as above
stated by me, "for the reason, I was with him, and served with him all the
time he so served in the war. I never knew any other Soldier, who served
in confederate war, by the name of J.R. Lee.

To X Intg 2, Witness Answers. I am perfectly certain that the said J.R. Lee is the identical, the same person, with whom I served in war, and who served in war, as testified by me.

To X Intg, 3 Witness Answers. I was with him, served with him, slept with him, was present when he enlisted, and was present when discharged at close of war.

To X Intg 4, Witness Answers. I personally know that Applicant never deserted the service in confederate Army, He was loyal, and ever at his post ~~of~~ of duty.

Henry Lee

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 19th day of July, 1909

W. R. Anderson
County Judge, Panola County, Texas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS }
COUNTY OF Panola

I, W. R. Anderson, County Judge,
(Here give name and official character of officer before whom taken.)

Panola County, Tex do hereby certify that Henry Lee
and is are personally known to me to be credible citizens of said
County and State, and that the foregoing answers of the said Henry Lee

the witness and before named, and

whose name appear signed to the foregoing deposition, were made before me
and were sworn to and subscribed before me, by said witness (4) Henry Lee

Given under my hand and official seal, this the 19th day of July, 1909

(L. S.)

W. R. Anderson
County Judge, Panola County, Texas.

NOTE.—In Texas, any Clerk of the District Court, any Judge and Clerk of the County Court, or any Notary Public or Justice of the Peace, within their respective
Counties, are authorized to take depositions.
Out of the State and within the United States—any Clerk of a Court of record having a seal, any Notary Public, or any Commissioner of Deeds of Texas.

File No. _____
In the Commissioners Court
OF
Smith
County, Texas.
Before the Honorable County Judge of said County.

EX PARTE
Mary E. Lee
Applicant for Confederate Pension

DEPOSITION
OF
Henry Lee

Witness— for Applicant
Filed _____ day
of _____ 190____
Clerk.
By _____ Deputy.

Fee for taking Deposition, \$ _____

EX PARTE

Mary E Lee

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

Pending in the Honorable Commissioners Court of Smith County, Texas, before the Honorable County Judge of said County.

Smith

The Honorable County Judge of Smith County, Texas, will please take notice that, five days after the service hereof, applicant herein will apply to the Clerk of the County Court of said County and State, for a commission to take the depositions of Mary Lee who reside in the County of Ponder in the State of Tex in answer to the following interrogatories and such cross interrogatories as may be propounded by the County Judge of said County, which will be read in evidence upon the hearing of applicant's claim for pension in behalf of applicant; said testimony is material and indispensable to applicant in furnishing the required proof to his claim for a pension under the Act of May 12, 1899, the application for which is now pending before the Honorable County Judge, and the facts necessary and required to be proven under the provisions of said Act, applicant believes can not be proven by any witness residing in the County of Smith and State of Texas, of which he is a bona fide resident.

Mary E Lee

(Applicant) Attorney for Applicant.

Direct Interrogatories to be Propounded to the Witness

- INT. 1. What is your name? Age? Present place of residence and postoffice address?
INT. 2. Do you personally know, or did you at any time know J R Lee who is an applicant for pension under Act of May 12, 1899?
INT. 3. How long have you known the said J R Lee applicant for pension and when and where did you first know him?
INT. 4. Do you personally know that the said J R Lee applicant for pension enlisted in the service of the Confederacy, and performed the duties of a soldier or a sailor?
INT. 5. Do you personally know in what company and regiment the said J R Lee applicant, enlisted and served in the Confederate army? When? Where? And the time of service? If you personally knew and so have stated that he enlisted and served in the Confederate navy, then state: When? Where? And how long he so served?
INT. 6. Do you further know that J R Lee the said applicant for pension, is unable to support himself by labor of any sort?

CROSS INTERROGATORIES.



To be Propounded to

Mary Lee

CROSS INTERROGATORY 1. If, in answer to the foregoing direct interrogatories, you have stated that you personally know or did know said applicant, and that you know that he enlisted in the service of the Confederacy and performed the duties of a soldier or sailor, and having named the company and regiment in which applicant so enlisted and served, then please state fully what is your source of such knowledge? And state whether or not you know or at any time you knew of any other soldier or sailor by the name of J R Lee serving in the same company or regiment in which you say the said applicant J R Lee enlisted, or if you have stated that said applicant enlisted and served in the navy of the Confederacy, then state whether or not you know

any other sailor of the same name as said J.R. Lee applicant
serving in the same command?

If you say that you so knew other soldiers or sailors of the same name of applicant's, then can you and
how do you identify and locate the one from the other or others?

CROSS INT. 2. Are you positively certain that said J.R. Lee applicant
for pension, is the identical person serving as testified by you?

CROSS INT. 3. If you have answered Direct Interrogatory No. 6 in the affirmative, then please state
your source of knowledge or information? Is not this your answer simply based on conjecture?

CROSS INT. 4. Do you know whether or not the said J.R. Lee applicant
for pension, ever deserted the service in the Confederate army or navy?

THE STATE OF TEXAS, }

County of Brewster

I, J.A. Beal

County Judge of said County, in said State,

do hereby waive copy of interrogatories, notice, time and issuance of commission, and it is hereby agreed that
the answers to the hereinabove direct and cross interrogatories of the said herein named witness..... may be
attached hereto.

J.A. Beal
County Judge Brewster County, Texas.

May E. Lee
(Applicant) Attorney..... for Applicant.

In Re
Application for Confederate
Pension.

IN COMMISSIONERS COURT,
Smith
County, Texas,

Pending before the County Judge of said County.

EX PARTE

May E. Lee
Applicant.

INTERROGATORIES
PROFOUNDED TO

John Lee

Witnesses:



E. A. BOLMES, Commissioner

OFFICE OF
Commissioner of Pensions

State of Texas

Austin

AUG 16 1909

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

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to request the military record
of *James R. Lee* who is reported to have enlisted in
Company *D*, *14th* Regiment, *Texas Infantry*
in the service of the Confederate States Army.

Purpose: The widow of the person above named is an applicant for a
Confederate pension granted by this State, and I desire to verify his
proof of service.

Very respectfully,



E. A. Bolmes

Commissioner of Pensions.

PAID BY ADDRESSEE
1556697
WAR DEPARTMENT
AUG 19 1909

Address: The Adjutant General,
War Department, Washington, D. C.

WAR DEPARTMENT, 1556697

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, August 20, 1909

Respectfully returned to the

Commissioner of Pensions,
State of Texas,
Austin.

The name James R. Lee has not been found on the rolls, on file in this office, of Company P, 14th Texas Infantry, Confederate States Army, nor has any record been found of the capture or parole of a man of this name and organization.


The Adjutant General.

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FORM B

Widow's Application for Pension

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

Name of Applicant

Mary E. Lee

County

Postoffice

W. Vermont

Filed

JUL 31 1909

Approved

Pension allowed from

Rejected

Commissioner of Pensions

VOY SECKMANN-JONES CO. PRINTERS, WASH. DC.
Geo. W. Jones

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 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:

[Empty lines for witness statements]

(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, Mrs L J Jarvis, State and County Assessor in the County of Smith, State of Texas, do hereby certify that Mrs.....

whose name is signed to the foregoing application for a pension, under the Act of the Thirty-first Legislature, approved March 26, A. D. 1909, 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 \$250 dollars.

Given under my hand, this 6th day of July, A. D. 1909

By Wm H Day, Office Deputy

Mrs L J Jarvis, State and County Assessor. TX

J. J. Bullard. County Judge Smith County Texas - Certify that Mrs M. Jarvis, applicant herein was duly sworn and that she stated that she had made diligent search and inquiry for the names of other soldiers who served with her husband and found none in any - but Mrs. Jarvis is unable to find any other names mentioned in her application to attend - J. J. Bullard or Jane Smith Co Deput

For use of Widows of Soldiers who are in indigent circumstances.

THE STATE OF TEXAS }
County of Smith

I, Mrs Mary E Lee, 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 March 26, A. D. 1909, on the following grounds:

I am the widow of James R Lee, deceased, who departed this life on the 14th day of Nov, A. D. 1895, in the county of Smith, in the State of

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 20th day of Dec, A. D. 1871 in the county of Andrew, in the State of Texas

My husband, the said J R Lee, 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 March 1, A. D. 1880, 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 one hundred and fifty dollars per annum, nor do I own in my own right, nor does any one hold in trust for my benefit or use, estate or property, either real, personal or mixed, either in fee or for life, of the assessed value of over one thousand dollars; 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? 63 years
2. Where were you born? Shelby Co Tex 1846
3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? since 1844
4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? And what is your postoffice address? all life since 1846 - Glodewater
5. What was your husband's full name? James Randolph Lee
6. When and where were you married? 20th Dec - 1871
7. What was the date of his death? 14th Nov - 1895
8. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? Texas
9. How long did your husband serve? If known to you, give date of enlistment and discharge. Don't know - about 3 years -
10. 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 of service. Don't know



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 how long did he serve?

12. Have you transferred to others any property of any kind for the purpose of becoming a beneficiary under this law?

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

(Signature of Applicant)

M. E. Lee

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *6th* day of *July*, A. D. 19*09*

County Judge *Smith* County, Texas.

[SEAL.]

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

[NOTE.—There must be at least two credible witnesses.]

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of *Smith*

Before me *J. A. Bullard*, County Judge of *Smith* County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *R. E. Jordan*, 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.

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that she has not remarried since the death of her husband, for whose service in the army she claims a pension, and that

they have no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness)

R. E. Jordan

(Signature of Witness)

J. H. Johnson

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

County Judge *Smith* County, Texas.

[SEAL.]

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has been a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas since prior to March 1, A. D. 1880, and that they have no

interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness)

R. E. Jordan

(Signature of Witness)

J. H. Johnson

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *6* day of *July*, A. D. 19*09*

County Judge *Smith* County, Texas.

[SEAL.]