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Form B.

WIDOW'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.

Mary E. Cooper  
Smith County.

Postoffice Linger R.F.D.  
No. 4 - Texas

Filed 12/4/17

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Pension allowed from Dec 1-1917

Rejected

Commissioner of Pensions.

E. L. STECK, AUSTIN

For Use of Widows of Soldiers who are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF Smith  
 I, Mrs. Mary E. Looper

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 H. M. Looper, deceased, who departed this life on the 20 day of Sept., A. D. 1917, 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 January, A. D. 1866, in the county of Pickens, in the State of South Carolina

My husband, the said H. M. Looper, 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 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 value of one thousand dollars, exclusive of the home of the value of not over \$1000, 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
2. Where were you born? Pickens County, S.C.
3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? 19 years
4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence. And what is your postoffice address? 7 years - Lindale, P.O. No. 4, Smith Co. Texas.
5. Did your husband draw a pension? If so, give his file number. Yes.
6. What was your husband's full name? Henry Merida Looper
7. What was the date of his death? Sept 20th, 1917
8. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? South Carolina
9. How long did your husband serve? If known to you give date of enlistment and discharge. See {23820}

10. What was the name or letter of the company, 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. See Pension No 23820

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. See {23820}

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

(Signature of Applicant) Mary E. Looper TX

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 25th day of November, A. D. 1917.

W. R. Coates  
 County Judge Smith County, Texas.

[Seal:]



**AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES**

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of Smith

Before me, W.R. Coates

County Judge of Smith

County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared W. Wisdom & J.W. Morris, who are personally known to me to be creditable citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know that Mrs. Mary E. Looper, applicant for a pension as the widow of Wm. Looper deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of Wm. Looper 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) res H. H. Wisdom

(Signature of Witness) J. W. Morris

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 30 day of Nov., A. D. 1917

W.R. Coates

County Judge Smith County, Texas.

[Seal.]

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State of Texas, on this day personally appeared W. Wisdom & J.W. Morris, who are personally known to me to be creditable 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 Mary E. Looper 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.

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- 2. Where were you born? *Piedmont County, S.C.*
- 3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? *19 years*
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(Signature of Applicant)

*Mary E. Looper*



Sworn to and subscribed before me this *25th* day of *November*, A. D. 191*7*.

*W. R. Coates*

[Seal.]

County Judge *Smith* County, Texas.