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Form B.

WIDOW'S APPLICATION FOR A PENSION

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

Dead

Name of Applicant.

Mrs. Mariah C. Chaffin
Anderson County.

Postoffice *Palustrine*
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Pension allowed from *3-1-23*

Rejected

Sam A. Smith
Comptroller of Public Accounts.

THE K. L. STECK CO., AUSTIN

Compliments of
East Texas Genealogical Society

For Use of Widows of Soldiers Who Are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Anderson

I, Mrs. Meriah E. Chaffin do hereby make application to the Comptroller of Public Accounts 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 C. C. Chaffin deceased, who departed this life on the 6th day of Feb., A. D. 1923 in the county of Anderson 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 3rd day of January, A. D. 1867 in the county of Anderson in the State of Texas.

My husband, the said C. C. Chaffin, 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 \$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? 75 yrs.
2. Where were you born? Arkansas
3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? 72 yrs.
4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? And what is your postoffice address? 72 yrs.
5. Did your husband draw a pension? If so, give his file number 26050.
6. What was your husband's full name? Christopher Columbus Chaffin
7. What was the date of his death? February 6, 1923
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. Four years, don't know date of enlistment.

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. Don't know, I think this information is now of record in your office.

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. Same as above.

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) Mrs. Meriah E. Chaffin

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 1 day of March, A. D. 1923

Witness to mark. C. C. Wilbanks, H. C. Lusk, County Judge, Anderson County, Texas.

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AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Anderson

Before me, W. C. Quirk, County Judge of Anderson County,
State of Texas, on this day personally appeared A. N. Starr + W. R. Petty, 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. Mariah E. Chaffin, applicant for a pension as the widow of C. C. Chaffin
deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of C. C. Chaffin deceased; that they personally
know that she has not remarried since the death of her husband, for whose services in the army she claims
a pension, and that they have no interest in this claim.*

(Signature of Witness) A. N. Starr

(Signature of Witness) W. R. Petty

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 1 day of March, A. D. 1923

W. C. Quirk

[Seal.]

County Judge Anderson County, Texas.

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County of Anderson

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State of Texas, on this day personally appeared A. N. Starr + W. R. Petty, 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 Mariah E. Chaffin
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) A. N. Starr

(Signature of Witness) W. R. Petty

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 1 day of March, A. D. 1923

W. C. Quirk

[Seal.]

County Judge Anderson 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 Anderson

Before me, W. C. Quick, County Judge of Anderson County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared F. T. Thurman & S. W. Paul, 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 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 applicant's husband in the Confederate Army: (State fully your source of knowledge) We have lived neighbors to Mr. & Mrs. C. C. Chaffin for several years. These facts are common. See file number 26050

All of the Confederate Veterans who saw service with Applicant's husband have passed away

Known to be in this neighborhood

(Signature of Witness) F. T. Thurman
(Signature of Witness) S. W. Paul

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 2 day of March, A. D. 1923
W. C. Quick

[Seal.] County Judge Anderson County, Texas. 

CERTIFICATE OF STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR

I, R. R. Sadler State and County Assessor in the County of Anderson State of Texas, do certify that Mrs. C. C. Chaffin 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 Six Hundred Dollars, and of other property, real or personal, or both, of the value of Fifty Dollars.

Given under my hand, this 2 day of March, A. D. 1923
R. R. Sadler
State and County Assessor.

APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

STATE OF TEXAS,

County of ANDERSON } I. W. N. Lipscomb

do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late Mariah Chaffin, who was a pensioner of the State of Texas, and whose file number was 38837 and whose original county was Anderson

The said pensioner Mrs. Mariah Chaffin, died on the 26th day of September, 1924, in the town of Palestine, County of Anderson, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of Mrs. W. F. Coker who was related to the pensioner as daughter

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. Mariah Chaffin

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-in-law that my postoffice address is Palestine, Texas, Rout 3

Street or R. F. D.

City

State

Signed W. N. Lipscomb

Sworn to before me this 4th day of October, 1924

Notary Public in and for Anderson State of Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, P. B. Ezell, do certify that I am undertaker in the town of Palestine, County of Anderson, State of Texas that I had charge of the body of Mrs. Mariah Chaffin, who died in the town of Palestine, County of Anderson, State of Texas on the 26th day of September, 1924. That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 26th day of September, 1924, and that I am of the opinion that warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said W. N. Lipscomb who makes the foregoing application.

Signed Barrett Ezell

Undertaker.



CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, Andrew A. Speegle, D.O., do certify that I am a practicing physician, and that I attended Mrs. Mariah Chaffin in her last illness, and am of the opinion that her ailments were Albuminuria

and contributory cause was old age.

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 Andrew A. Speegle D.O.

Physician's Address 1110 N. John St. Palestine, Tex

Sept 26 was main case

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

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