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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.

*Mr. Mahaly Bryan*

*Anderson* County.

Postoffice *Elkhart Texas*

Filed *10/23/14*

Approved *11/14/16*

Pension allowed from *Dec 1 1916*

Rejected

*J. C. Jones*

Commissioner of Pensions.

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# For Use of Widows of Soldiers Who are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF Anderson

I, Mrs. Mahaly Bryan, 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 J. W. Bryan, deceased, who departed this life on the 5th day of July, A. D. 1904, 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 1st day of January, A. D. 1881, in the county of Anderson, in the State of Texas

My husband, the said J. W. Bryan, 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 yrs.
2. Where were you born? Newton Co. Miss.
3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? since 1866.
4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? And what is your postoffice address? 36 yrs. Anderson (Elkhart, Texas).
5. Did husband draw a pension? If so, give his file number No.
6. What was your husband's full name? James W. Bryan
7. What was the date of his death? July 5th 1904.
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. See Proof

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. I think Co. C. Burnett's 13th. Regiment See Proof

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. Infantry



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) Mahaly Bryan

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 4 day of Sept, A. D. 1916

County Judge E. J. Swift Anderson County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

COUNTY OF Anderson }

Before me, E. V. Swift, County Judge of Anderson County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared W. Neel & W. M. Hardy 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. Mahaly Bryan, applicant for a pension as the widow of J. W. Bryan

deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of J. W. Bryan 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) W Neel

(Signature of Witness) W M Hardy

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 4 day of Sept, A. D. 1916.

E. V. Swift  
County Judge Anderson County, Texas.

[Seal.]

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

COUNTY OF Anderson }

Before me, E. V. Swift, County Judge of Anderson County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared W. Neel & W. M. Hardy, who are personally

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 Mahaly Bryan

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) W Neel

(Signature of Witness) W M Hardy

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 4 day of Sept, A. D. 1916.

E. V. Swift  
County Judge Anderson County, Texas.

[Seal.]

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 *Houston*

Before me, *W. H. Duren*, County Judge of *Houston* County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *J. B. Ellis of Houston County Texas* 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):

*J. B. Ellis* That I served in the same Regiment, 13th Texas Dismounted Cavalry, (during the war, with the said Mr Bryan, and though we were in different Companies, yet we were together all the time, and were intimate with each other then, and I know of my own personal knowledge that the said Mr Bryan made a good and faithful soldier all through the war, and that he never deserted the Confederate Army.

*W. H. Duren* answers and says: that I served in the Confederate Army with the said Mr Bryan in the same Company & Regiment, and that he made a good and faithful Soldier and that the said Applicant Mrs Mahaly Bryan is his widow.

(Signature of Witness) *J. B. Ellis*

(Signature of Witness) *W. H. Duren*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *9* day of *Oct*, A. D. 191*6*

[Seal.]

*W. H. Duren*  
County Judge *Houston* 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 *Mahaly Bryan*, 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 *None* Dollars,

and of other property, real or personal, or both, of the value of *None*

Dollars.

Given under my hand, this *14* day of *Oct*, A. D. 191*6*

*R. R. Sadler*  
State and County Assessor.



**E. V. SWIFT**

Attorney at Law

**COUNTY JUDGE**

Anderson County

Palatine, Texas, October 24th. 1916.

Hon. J. C. Jones,

Pension Commr.

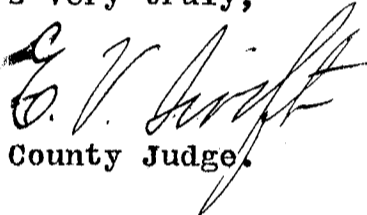
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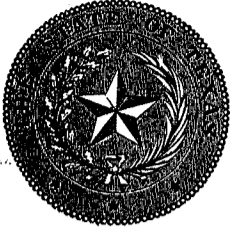
Dear Sir:

I herewith enclose to you pension application of Mrs. Mahaly Bryan, for a Confederate Pension.

I have investigated the matter and can join in recommending that the pension be granted, and I hope you can give her application your early consideration for she is in need.

Yours very truly,

  
County Judge.



OFFICE OF  
COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS  
STATE OF TEXAS  
AUSTIN

J. C. JONES, Commissioner

To the Adjutant General,

War Department,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to request the military record of J. W. Bryan who is reported to have enlisted in Company C, Regiment 13 Texas Infantry

in service in the Confederate States Army.

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

Very respectfully,



J. C. Jones  
Commissioner of Pensions.

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WAR DEPARTMENT,

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

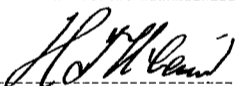
WASHINGTON, October 3, 1916

Respectfully returned to

Commissioner of Pensions,  
State of Texas,  
Austin,

with the information that the name  
J. W. Bryan has not been  
found on the rolls of Co. C,  
any 13 Texas organization,  
C. S. A nor has anything  
been found in the official  
records concerning the service,  
capture or parole of a man  
of that name and organi-  
zation.

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The Adjutant General.

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