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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.

Ms. Bridget Cummings

Anderson County.  
205 Louisiana Street,

Postoffice Palestine, Texas

Filed Mar. 17<sup>th</sup> 1913

Approved

Pension allowed from

Rejected

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 Anderson

I, Mrs. Mrs. Bridget Cummings 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 Thomas Cummings, deceased, who departed this life on the 9 day of July, A. D. 1895, in the county of Travis, in the State of Texas, for the Confederate home

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 10 day of July, A. D. 1874, in the city of Jefferson, in the State of Texas

My husband, the said Thomas Cummings, 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 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 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? 60 years
2. Where were you born? In Ireland
3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? 40 years
4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? And what is your postoffice address?  
24 years; 205 Louisiana Street, Calcestone, Texas.
5. What was your husband's full name? Thomas Cummings
6. What was the date of his death? July 9 - 1895
7. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? Texas
8. How long did your husband serve? If known to you, give date of enlistment and discharge.  
Volunteered in the first year of war and served until the close.
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.  
Company I - 3rd Texas Cavalry  
Never transferred
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  
Cavalry



11. 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) Budget Cummings

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 24 day of Feb, A. D. 1913

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

[SEAL.]

### Affidavit of Witnesses.

[NOTE.—There must be at least two credible 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 John Meagher and H. Davis, 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. Budget Cummings, applicant for a pension as the widow of Thomas Cummings deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of Thomas Cummings 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) John Meagher

(Signature of Witness) Henry Davis

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 24 day of Feb, A. D. 1913

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

[SEAL.]

### Affidavit of Witnesses.

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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 John Meagher and H. Davis, 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 a pension, and that they personally know that the said Budget Cummings 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) John Meagher

(Signature of Witness) Henry Davis

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 24 day of Feb, A. D. 1913

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 Anderson

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

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared John Mergenthal, who ~~is~~ <sup>is</sup> personally known to me to be <sup>a</sup> credible citizen, who, being by me sworn, on oath state that ~~they~~ <sup>is</sup> 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~~ <sup>his</sup> 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.)

My knowledge is personal. I served with Thomas Cummings, in the war. We fought side by side. I knew of no other man by this name. He was a volunteer and a good soldier. Enlisted in the beginning and served until end of war. never deserted, and never abandoned his post of duty. Was honorably discharged.

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

(Signature of Witness) John Mergenthal

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 24 day of Feb, A. D. 1912

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

[SEAL.]



### Certificate of State and County Assessor

I, O. B. Rogers, State and County Assessor in the County of Anderson, State of Texas, do hereby certify that Mrs. Budget Cummings

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 None dollars.

Given under my hand, this 24 day of Feb, A. D. 1912

O. B. Rogers  
State and County Assessor.



R. A. BUFORD, Commissioner

OFFICE OF

Commissioner of Pensions

State of Texas

Austin

To the Adjutant General,

War Department,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to request the military record of Thomas Cummings who is reported to have enlisted in Company "I", Regiment 3rd Texas Cavalry 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,



R. A. Buford  
Commissioner of Pensions.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE  
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WAR DEPARTMENT,  
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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,  
WASHINGTON, May 27, 1913.

Respectfully returned to the  
Commissioner of Pensions,  
State of Texas,  
Austin.

The name Thomas Cummings has not been found on the rolls, on file in this office, of Company I, 3d Texas Cavalry, Confederate States Army, and no record has been found of the capture or parole of a man of that name and organization.

*Geo. Anderson*  
The Adjutant General.

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**E. V. SWIFT**

Attorney-at-Law  
**COUNTY JUDGE**  
Anderson County

Palatine, Texas, March 16th 1913.

Hon. R. A. Buford,  
Pension Commr.,  
Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I herewith enclose to you pension application of  
Mrs. Bridget Cummings, whom I know to be worthy and in need  
of a pension, and I so recommend her.

You will note that her husband died in the Confederate  
Home, and this should aid you in looking up the evidence as to  
his service, and also bear this fact in mind when looking  
over the evidence.

Yours very truly,

*E. V. Swift*  
County Judge.

