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FORM B 1743

Widows' Application for Pension

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

Name of Applicant.

Mrs. M. C. Griffith
Anderson County

Postoffice *Palestine, Tex*
Corner Louisiana St
and Howard Ave.

Filed *No. 28th 1912*

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 M. C. Griffith, 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 W. M. Griffith M. D., deceased, who departed this life on the 7th day of July, A. D. 1906, in the county of Frustrone, 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 19th day of December, A. D. 1865 in the county of Willcox in the State of Alabama

My husband, the said W. M. Griffith, 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? Sixty Five
2. Where were you born? Willcox Co. Alabama
3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? Thirty Seven years.
4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? And what is your postoffice address? I have resided in Anderson Co. Three Months. Palmetto
5. What was your husband's full name? Dr. Willis Marion Griffith
6. What was the date of his death? July 7th 1906
7. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? Alabama
8. How long did your husband serve? If known to you, give date of enlistment and discharge. Enlisted May 15, 1862, Discharged after the war closed 1865
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. Belle Rifles, Clayton's Brigade Company # 38 Alabama
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. Infantry
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) Mrs M C Griffith

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 3rd day of Oct, A. D. 1912

Adam Cone

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 Adam Cone, County Judge of Anderson County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared M. R. Harding & J. T. Brown 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.

M. C. Griffith

deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of Dr. W. M. Griffith 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) M. R. Harding

(Signature of Witness) J. T. Brown

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 4 day of Oct, A. D. 1912

Adam Cone

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 Adam Cone, County Judge of Anderson County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared M. R. Harding & J. T. Brown, 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 Mrs M. C. Griffith

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) M. R. Harding

(Signature of Witness) J. T. Brown

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 4 day of Oct, A. D. 1912

Adam Cone

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~~ ^{Alabama}

County of Wilcox

Before me J. H. Stanford, County Judge of Wilcox County, State of ~~Texas~~ ^{Alabama}, on this day personally appeared W. A. Dexter & J. B. Hutson 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.)

me both served with - W. M. Griffith in Co H. 38th Alabama Regiment

(Signature of Witness) W. A. Dexter

(Signature of Witness) J. B. Hutson

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 4th day of Nov, A. D. 1912

J. H. Stanford
County Judge Wilcox Ala County, Alabama

[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. M. C. Griffith,

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 26 day of Nov, 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 J. M. Griffith who is reported to have enlisted in
 Company "H", Regiment 38th Ala. Clayton's Brigade
 in the service of the Confederate States Army. Belle Rifes

Purpose: The Wilson 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.

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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, December 3, 1912.

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

The records show that W.Griffith
(not found as W. M. Griffith), 3d
sergeant, Company H, 38th Alabama
Infantry, Confederate States Army,
enlisted May 13, 1862, and he is re-
ported present on the muster roll
dated May 13, 1862, only roll on
file.

The prisoner of war records show
Willis M. Griffith, sergeant, Company
H, 38th Alabama Infantry, Confederate
States Army, captured Nov.25, 1863,
and transferred to the commissioner
for exchange May 23, 1865, from New
Orleans, La., by order of Maj. Gen.
E. R. S. Canby. No later record of
him has been found.

The Adjutant General.