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FORM A

Soldier's Application for Pension.

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

Name of Applicant.

J. T. Ferguson

County.

Anderson

Postoffice

Post Office #1 - Calcester Texas

Filed

May 10th 1913

Approved

Sept 1 1913

Pension allowed from *Nov 1 1913*

Rejected

H. G. Corning
Commissioner of Pensions.

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FORM A

For Use of Soldiers who are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
 COUNTY OF Anderson }

I, John Thomas Ferguson, 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 enlisted and served in the military service of the Confederate States during the war between the States of the United States; and that I did not desert the Confederate service, but during said war I was loyal and true to my duty, and never at any time voluntarily abandoned my post of duty in the said service; that I was honorably discharged or surrendered He disbanded and quit after the
sumner of General Robt. E. Lee.

(Give date and cause.)

that I have been a bona fide citizen of this State since prior to January 1, A. D. 1880, and have been continuously since a citizen of the State of Texas. I do further state that I do not hold any national, State, city or county office which pays me a salary or fees, one hundred and fifty dollars per annum, nor have I an income from any other employment or other source whatever which amounts to one hundred and fifty dollars per annum, nor do I 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, nor does my wife own, nor does any one hold in trust for my wife, 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 that I am not an inmate of the Confederate Home, and I do further state that the answers given to the following questions are true:

1. What is your age? 69 years
2. Where were you born? Bibb County, Ala.
3. How long have you resided in Texas? Since 1848-
4. In what county do you reside? Anderson
5. How long have you resided in said county and what is your postoffice address?
Since 1848-R. F. H. #1 Palestine, Texas
6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law and been rejected? If rejected, state when and where Never applied before.
7. What is your occupation, if able to engage in one? Farm, when able.
8. In what State was the command in which you served organized? Texas
9. How long did you serve? Give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge. Enlisted
Nov-1861, and served until end of war.
10. What was the letter of your company, number or name of battalion, regiment or battery?
Company I - 7th Texas Cavalry - Sibley's Brigade,
afterwards Green's Brigade
11. If transferred from one command to another, give time of transfer, name of command and time of service
Never transferred.
12. What branch of the service did you enlist in—infantry, cavalry, artillery or navy?
Cavalry



13. If commissioned direct by the President, what was your rank and line of duty?.....

Private

14. If detailed for special service, under the law of conscription, what was the nature of your service and how long did you serve? *A Volunteer - Never detailed*

15. 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 his application for pension be approved and such other proceedings be had in the premises as are required by law.

(Signature of Applicant) *J. J. Ferguson*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *12* day of *April*, A. D. 19 *13*

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 *F. B. Taylor and Levi Palmer*, who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know.....

J. J. Ferguson the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said *J. J. Ferguson* has been a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas since prior to January 1, A. D. 1880, and that they have no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness) *F. B. Taylor*

(Signature of Witness) *Levi Palmer*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *17* day of *May*, A. D. 19 *13*

E. V. Swift

County Judge *Anderson* County, Texas.

[SEAL.]

Affidavit of Witnesses.

(If possible, the two witnesses should have served with the applicant in the army, and, if so, let them, or either, state it in their oath, their source of knowledge; also any information regarding applicant's army service.)

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 *F. B. Taylor and Levi Palmer*

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 his application are cor-

rect and true, to the best of their knowledge and belief, and that they have no interest in this claim, and said applicant's habits are good and free from dishonor. And We further make oath to the following facts touching the applicant's service in the Confederate Army: (State fully your source of knowledge.)

We, F. B. Taylor, and Levi Palmer, were in the same Company with J. T. Ferguson, and fought by his side throughout the Civil War between the United States from 1861 to 1865 - We personally know that he never deserted and never abandoned his post of duty. We never knew of any other man by this same name, and we are sure that applicant is the identical person who served with us during the war - He was a Volunteer and a private - We enlisted with him and knew him to be a good soldier -

(Signature of Witness) F. B. Taylor

(Signature of Witness) Levi Palmer.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 17 day of May A. D. 1913

E. T. Swift

County Judge Arderson County, Texas.

[SEAL.]

Certificate of the State and County Assessor

I, O. P. Rogers, State and County Assessor in the County of Anderson

State of Texas, do certify that J. T. Ferguson 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-first Legislature, approved March 26, A. D. 1909, is charged on the land and personal property rolls of said county with estate, real, personal and mixed, at the assessed value of Two hundred dollars.

Given under my hand, this 17 day of May A. D. 1913

O. P. Rogers

State and County Assessor.



Palestine Texas OCT 14 1913

Hon Geo W Ryder State

Pension Comm

Dear Sir

Having made application
for state pension on april
the 12th and after careful
examination as to correctness
by Judge E. R. Swift Co
Judge and on the 17 of may
last forwarded it to
Hon Rob Buford I have
not heard any thing from
it look after it and
let me hear from it

as soon as possible and
oblige J J Ferguson

R D no 1 Bot. 47

(TX)

Palestine Texas

Sept 3 1913

To the Commissioner
of Pensions

Dear Sir having made
application for pension
some 3 or 4 months ago
and have not heard from
it since will you see
after it and let me
hear and I will be
very much obliged

J. J. Ferguson

R. D. No. 1 Bot 47

Palestine

Texas

(TX)

E. V. SWIFT

Attorney-at-Law
COUNTY JUDGE
Anderson County



Palentine, Texas, May 17th. 1913.

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

Dear Sir:

I herewith enclose to you pension application of Mr. J. T. Ferguson.

I have carefully considered this application since April 12th, and after investigation find that Mr. Ferguson is worthy and one of our most honorable citizens, and that he is in need of the pension.

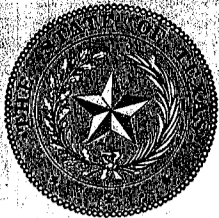
Your early attention to this matter will be appreciated.

Yours very truly,

E. V. Swift,

County Judge.





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 John D. Ferguson who is reported to have enlisted in Company "D", Regiment 7th Texas Cavalry in service of the Confederate States Army. 1st Texas Green Brigade

Purpose: The _____ 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,

R. A. Buford 
 Commissioner of Pensions

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ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

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WAR DEPARTMENT

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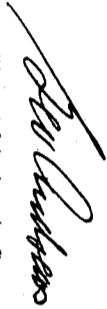
2042116 THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, May 27, 1913.

Respectfully returned to the

Commissioner of Pensions,
State of Texas,
Austin.

The records show that John F. Ferguson (name John F. Ferguson not found), private, Troop I, 7th Texas Cavalry, Confederate States Army, enlisted October 1 (date of enlistment also shown as November 1), 1861. On the roll of the company for January and February, 1864 (last roll upon which his name is borne), he was reported present. No later record of him has been found.


The Adjutant General.