

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.

Benardo Eisenstein

Name of Applicant.

Mrs. Josephine M. Eisenstein

Anderson County.

R. F. D. or Street No. *923 S. Fyall St.*

Postoffice *Palentine Texas*

Filed *Jan 4-1926*

Approved

Pension allowed from

Rejected *Jan 4-1926*

S. H. Perrell
Comptroller of Public Accounts.

THE E. L. STECK CO., AUSTIN

No proof

Widow's Application for Confederate Pension

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Anderson.

I, Mrs. Josephine M. Eilenstein 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 Bernard Eilenstein deceased, who departed this life on the 27 day of Dec, 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 July, A. D. 1868, in the county of St Louis in the State of Mo.

My husband, the said Bernard Eilenstein, 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 above 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 \$2000; 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? 73
2. Where were you born? Baden Germany
3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? 50 yrs
4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? 40 yrs
5. What is your postoffice address? 923 S. Royal St. #85 - P.O. - Palestine, Texas
6. Did your husband draw a pension? No If so, give his file number _____
7. What is your husband's full name? Bernard Eilenstein
8. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? Missouri & Texas
Was at Brownsville, Texas, when the War ceased - 1865.
9. How long did your husband serve? 3 yrs + 8 mo If known to you, give date of enlistment and discharge don't know - for 2nd wife he did not tell me.
10. What was the name or letter of the company, or number of the regiment 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, (If applicant's husband was a pensioner give his file number, which is evidence sufficient for proof of service.) I do not remember the name of his Company - Was transferred to Brownsville Texas - He never asked for a pension.
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.

Cavalry - 3 years + 8 months -



12. Have you transferred to another 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 required by law.

(Signature of Applicant) Mrs. Josephine M. Eilenstein

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 30 day of Dec, A. D. 1925.

[Seal.] County Judge W. C. Smith 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, H. C. Quirk, County Judge of Anderson County,
State of Texas, on this day personally appeared C. J. Granger & F. M. Jones
....., who are personally known to me to be creditable citi-

zens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know that Mrs. Josephine
M. Eilenstein, applicant for a pension as the widow of Bernardo Eilenstein
deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of Bernardo Eilenstein 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) C. J. Granger

(Signature of Witness) F. M. Jones

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 30 day of Dec, A. D. 1925

H. C. Quirk

[Seal.]

County Judge Anderson County, Texas.

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State of Texas, on this day personally appeared C. J. Granger & F. M. Jones
....., who are personally known to me to be creditable citi-

zens, 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 Josephine Eilenstein
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) C. J. Granger

(Signature of Witness) F. M. Jones

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 30 day of Dec, A. D. 1925

H. 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. Quirk, County Judge of Anderson County, State of Texas,
on this day personally appeared C.J. Granger & F.M. Jones, 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) Bernard Eilenstein

was a member for many years of "John A. Reagan Camp # 44 United Confederate Veterans, and it is a matter of common knowledge in this community that Bernard Eilenstein served through the Civil War and we feel that he was eligible for a pension, but as far as we know and as far as his wife knows all living witnesses to his service are dead."

(Signature of Witness) C.J. Granger U.C.V.
(Signature of Witness) F.M. Jones U.C.V.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 30 day of Dec., A. D. 1925

W.C. Quirk
County Judge Anderson County, Texas.

[Seal.]

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. Josephine M. Eilenstein 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 Four Hundred Dollars, and of other property, real or personal, or both, of the value of no personal Dollars.

Given under my hand, this 31 day of December, A. D. 1925
R.R. Sadler
State and County Assessor.

Jan. 4th, 1926.

Mrs. Josephine M. Eilenstein,
923 S. Royal St.,
Palestine, Texas.

Dear Madam:

I am in receipt of your application for confederate pension but cannot approve same until you give more definite information concerning the company and regiment in which your husband served, unless you may show by at least two competent and credible witnesses that your husband performed the service claimed by you.

These witnesses must personally know of the service rendered and hearsay testimony is of little value in establishing proof of service.

On receipt of further information concerning company and regiment in which your husband, Bernard Eilenstein served, your application will be given further consideration.

Yours very truly,



KR/ms

COMPTROLLER.