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No. *3098*

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

W. J. Shaver

Andrews County.

Postoffice *Galveston* *Spindler #2*

Filed *AUG 5 - 1909*

Approved

Quarterly Allowance *\$4.00*

Pension allowed from

Rejected *AUG 31 1909*

Commissioner of Pensions.

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Soldier's Application for Pension

For use of blind, maimed and totally disabled soldiers
who are in indigent circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Anderson

I, H. F. Shaver, 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 about the middle of May 1865, because the war was over
(Give date and cause.)

that I have been a bona fide citizen of this State since prior to January 1, 1880, and have been continuously since a citizen of the State of Texas, and that I am afflicted with some-
(Here state fully the disability under which the applicant claims a pension, whether he lost in service a limb or limbs, eyes, or cause of total blindness, or whether he is totally disabled by reason of wounds received in service or disease.)

thing like rheumatism which has resulted in my ribs protruding outward and falling down over my hip. This trouble coupled with my age - 89 render me totally disabled from performing any kind of work by which I can contribute to my support

I do further state that I do not hold any national, State, city or county office which pays me in 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? 89 years of age
2. Where were you born? West line of Arkansas & Missouri not claim which state
3. How long have you resided in Texas? About 67 years
4. In what county do you reside? Anderson County
5. How long have you resided in said county and what is your postoffice address? About 67 years - P. O. Palestine Tex Grand St # 2
6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate Pension Law heretofore and been rejected? If rejected, state when and where. No
7. What is your occupation, if able to engage in one? Farming



8. In what State was the command in which you served organized? Texas
9. How long did you serve? Give, if possible, date of enlistment and discharge. Served about 7 or 8 months - Enlisted about 7 or 8 months before close of war
10. What was the letter of your company, number or name of battalion, regiment or battery? I think the letter of the Company was "C" - Bill Trajantous Captain -
11. If transferred from one command to another, give time of transfer, name of command and time of service. No
12. What branch of the service did you enlist in—infantry, cavalry, artillery or navy? Infantry
13. If commissioned as an officer direct by the President, what was your rank and line of duty? Non-Commissioned
14. If detailed for special service, under the law of conscription, what was the nature of your service and how long did you serve? 6 weeks detailed to Cook for soldiers - for rest of time detailed to guard Federal prisoners at
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)

W. J. Shaver

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 24th day of June, A. D. 1909

O. C. Fundenburg

[SEAL.]

County Judge Anderson County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

[NOTE.—There must be at least two credible witnesses.]

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of Anderson }

Before me O. C. Fundenburg, County Judge of Anderson County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared J. K. Easley &, who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know

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

(Signature of Witness)

J. K. Easley

(Signature of Witness)

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 24th day of June, A. D. 1909

O. C. Fundenburg

[SEAL.]

County Judge Anderson County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF PHYSICIAN

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of Anderson }

Before me O. C. Fundenburg, County Judge of Anderson County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared R. M. Durr, who is a physician in good standing, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath says that he has carefully and thoroughly examined

Shaver, the applicant, and finds him laboring under the following disabilities:

(Here state fully whether he lost a limb or limbs, or is blind, or totally disabled; in the latter case stating specifically the personal ailment and conditions that render the applicant entirely helpless and incapacitated, physically or mentally, for any work or business.)

Applicant is totally disabled the cause being spondylitis and senility

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *4th* day of *August*, A. D. 19*09*

R. N. Dumas, M.D.
O. B. Funderburk

[SEAL.]

County Judge *Anderson* County, Texas.

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 in their oath their source of knowledge; also any information regarding applicant's army service.)

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of *Anderson*

Before me *O. B. Funderburk*, County Judge of *Anderson* County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *J. C. Easley*, who are personally known to me to be credible persons, 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 correct 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:

We, each personally know that W. J. Shaver did serve as a soldier in the Confederate war - J. C. Easley served in the same command with him, and we were detailed to guard federal prisoners at Tyler Texas - Bill Frazier was the captain of our company & Jamison was Colonel -

I, Lige Shivers lived ^{near} W. J. Shaver and stayed with his folks while W. J. Shaver was away in the war

(Signature of Witness) *J. C. Easley* (TX)

(Signature of Witness)

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *7th* day of *June*, A. D. 19*09*

O. B. Funderburk

[SEAL.]

County Judge *Anderson* County, Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF THE STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR

I, *Ben D. Jackson*, State and County Assessor in the County of *Anderson*, State of Texas, do certify that *W. J. Shaver* 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 the said county with estate, real, personal and mixed, at the assessed value of *Nothing* dollars.

Given under my hand, this *30th* day of *June*, A. D. 19*09*

Ben D. Jackson
State and County Assessor.

The State of Texas, |

County of Anderson. | Before me O.C.Funderburk, County Judge of Anderson County,
Texas, on this day personally appeared, Mrs.H.E.Moser, known to me to be a
credible person who after being by me duly sworn on oath says:

"My name is Mrs.H.E.Moser, I am fifty five years of age and reside in the
City of Palestine Texas, I was about eleven years old at the close of
the Civil War. I am a daughter of W.J.Shaver, who is an applicant for a
confederate pension. I can distinctly remember when my father left home
to go to the war. We were living about 17 miles South of Palestine. My
father went to Palestine to enlist. My father was gone to the war about six
or eight months. After he left we received numbers of letters from him.
Most of the letters we received were from Tyler, Texas. We understood
that he was detailed at Tyler to guard Federal Prisoners. I remember
when my father was finally discharged and came home from the war. At the
time that he came home all the other neighbors who were in the war
were coming home about the same time. I am very certain that he served
until the close of the war. My father the applicant, is a man of good
habits and honorable conduct, and has been a resident of Texas continuously
long since Jan. 1st 1880. I have no interest in applicant's claim for a
pension and the facts testified to by him in his application I know
to be true.

s.s.

H E Moser



Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30th day of June 1909.

O C Funderburk

County Judge of Anderson County, Texas.