

Application of Indigent Soldier or Sailor of the Confederacy for Pension under the Act of February 25th, 1915

THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA, }
County of HARMON }

I, Joseph T. French

do hereby make application to the Board of Pension Commissioners for a pension to be granted me under the Act passed by the Fifth Legislature of the State of Oklahoma, and approved February, 25, 1915, 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 at Guntersville, Ala., April, 1865 at the close of the war

(Give date and cause)

and I have been a bona fide citizen of this State for over twelve months prior to the passage and approval of the Pension Act, approved February 25, 1915. I do further state that I do not hold any National, State, city or county office which pays me a salary or fees of \$180.00 per annum, nor have I an income from any other employment, nor do I receive from any source whatsoever, money or other means of support amounting in value to the sum of \$180.00 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, household goods and wearing apparel excluded, nor do I receive any aid or pension from any other State or from any other source, and that I am not an inmate of the Confederate Home, or any other benevolent or penal institution, and I do further state that the answers given to the following questions are true:

- 1. What is your age? I am eighty-one years of age
2. Where were you born? I was born in Blunt Co. Ala.
3. How long have you resided in Oklahoma? Twenty-four years
4. In what county do you reside? Harmon
5. What is your postoffice address? Hollis, Oklahoma

6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate Pension Law and been rejected? If rejected, state when and where ----- No -----
7. What is your occupation, if able to engage in one? I have no occupation
8. What is your physical condition? My physical condetion is fairly good.
9. In what State was the command in which you served organized? Alabama
10. How long did you serve; give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge I was in the army about four years, but in the hospital a great deal of the time. I enlisted in the summer, 1861
11. What was the letter of your Company, number of Regiment, Battalion or Battery Co. D. 44 Alabama, Infantry -----
12. If transferred from one command to another, give time of transfer, name of command and time of service ----- No -----
13. What branch of the service did you enlist in, infantry, cavalry, artillery or navy? ----- Infantry -----
14. If commissioned direct by the President, what was your rank and line of duty? ----- ----- -----
15. If detailed for special service, under the law of conscription, what was the nature of your service and how long did you serve? -----
16. What is the assessed value of your home, if you own a home? No -----
17. What is the assessed value of your other property? \$1975. 00, but I have a loan of the amount \$1800.00 against it. -----
18. Have you ever transferred your property to anyone with the understanding that you were to be cared for during your life time? ----- No -----
19. Have you transferred to others any property of any kind for the purpose of becoming beneficiary under this law? ----- No -----

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

NOTE—There must be at least two credible witnesses.

THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA, }
 County of Harmon ----- }

Before me ----- E. C. Abernethy, County Judge,
 (County Judge, Notary Public, Justice of Peace)

of ----- Harmon ----- County, State of Oklahoma, on this day personally appeared ----- Fred Smith and -----

J. L. Lamkin -----

known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know ----- Joseph T. French -----

the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said

Joseph T. French -----

has been a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Oklahoma, twelve months prior to

February 25, 1915, and that they have no interest in his claim.

(Signature of Witness) Fred C. Smith

(Signature of Witness) J. L. Larkin

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 25 day of May A. D. 1915

E. C. Bennett
(County Judge, Notary Public, or
Justice of Peace)

(SEAL)

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THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA, }
County of _____ }

Before me, _____

County Judge of _____ County, State of Oklahoma, on this day personally appeared _____

known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they are personally acquainted with the said _____

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 his claim, and said applicant's habits are good and free from dishonor. And _____

further make oath to the following facts touching the applicant's service in the Confederate Army (state fully your source of knowledge): _____

(Signature of Witness) _____

(Signature of Witness) _____

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____ A. D. 191_____

County Judge,

County, Okla.

(SEAL)

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The Commissioners of Pension reserve the right to call for additional testimony if they deem it necessary.

Name of Applicant

Joseph H. J. Church

Postoffice *Wagoner* County

Filed

6-14-15

Approved

Amt. of Pension allowed

Pension allowed from

Rejected *OCT 7 1915*

JUL 18 1916

not valid

6/28/15 Wm D Matthews

Chairman.

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