

Form B--For Use of Widows of Confederate Soldiers who are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA,

County of PittsburgI, Mrs. Sarah Armstrong

(Christian Name, Middle Initial and Surname)

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 am the widow of James Armstrong deceased, who departed this life on the 8th day of January A. D. 1895 in the County of Hunt, 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 11th day of March A. D. 1876 in the County of Polk in the State of Arkansas

My husband, the said James Armstrong enlisted and served in the military service. I have been a resident of the State of Oklahoma for over twelve months prior to February 25, 1915. 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 \$180.00 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, household goods and wearing apparel excluded, 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? 58
2. Where were you born? So. Carolina
3. How long have you resided in the State of Oklahoma? Five years
4. In what county do you now reside? Pittsburg

Postoffice McAlester, Oklahoma.

5. Did your husband draw a pension? No.

If so, in what State? No.

6. What was your husband's full name? James Armstrong

7. What was the date of his death? January 8th, 1895.

Where? Hunt County, Texas.

8. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? in Ark.
I think, though Kentucky I think he was also a soldier
in Kentucky a portion of the time,

9. How long did your husband serve? If known to you, give date of enlistment and discharge Through the whole war. He was enlisted at the beginning of the war and served until the end and was discharged.

10. What branch of the 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 the time of service Artillery, and probably was in other departments, I know that I have heard him talk of Shelby a good deal and think he was also in Shelby's Regiment.

11. What was the letter or name of the Company or number of regiment, battalion, or battery of artillery in which your husband served He was a member of S. H. Nichols Company and T. H. McRae's Battallion in Arkansas.

12. Have you transferred to others any property of any kind for the purpose of becoming a beneficiary under this law? No. I have no property except my wearing apparel - live with my married children.
Wherefore your petitioner prays that her application for a pension may be approved and such other proceedings be had in the premises as are required by law.

Sarah Armstrong
(Applicant should sign Christian Name, Middle Initial and Surname)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5th day of Febry A. D. 1916.

S. F. Brown
(By either County Judge, Notary Public, or Justice of the Peace)

(SEAL)

Pittsburg County, Okla.

My Commission expires.....191.....

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

NOTE—There must be at least two credible witnesses.

STATE OF OKLAHOMA,

County of Taukusee

Before me, a Notary Public County Judge, Notary Public, or Justice of Peace of Taukusee County, State of Oklahoma, on this day personally appeared

J. W. Pate of Bevier Ark.
Gas M. Waddell of Bevier Ark.

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. Sarah Armstrong applicant for a pension as the widow of James Armstrong deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of James Armstrong 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) J. W. Pate

(Signature of Witness) Gas M. Waddell

Confident she is the widow of James Armstrong

From correspondence with other parties widows

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 23rd day of Jan A. D. 1916

County Judge, Notary Public, or Justice of Peace.

(SEAL)

Van Buren County, Okla.

My commission expires..... 191.....

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

STATE OF Oklahoma

County of Pittsburg

Before me, W. M. Keel (County Judge, Notary Public, Justice of Peace.)

of Pittsburg County, State of Oklahoma on this day personally appeared

John Shields and Lula Shields

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 pension, and that they personally know that said Mrs. Sarah Armstrong

has been a bona fide citizen of the State of Oklahoma for twelve months prior to February 25, A. D. 1915, and that they have no interest in the claim. We also know that she has not remarried since the death of her said husband.

(Signature of Witness) John Shields

(Signature of Witness) Lula Shields

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 7th day of Feb A. D. 1916

(SEAL)

My commission expires July 10 1917.

Gena Nash
Mary Public
Pittsburg County, Okla.

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.)

THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA,

County of Van Buren

Before me, W. M. Keel a Notary Public in

County Judge of Van Buren County of Oklahoma, on this day personally appeared

Jim Pate and J. M. Waddell

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) was known

James Armstrong from boyhood until his death
was served with in the Confederate Army
being a member of S. H. Nichols Company
and T. H. McRae Battalion.

(Signature of Witness) J. M. Pate

(Signature of Witness) J. M. Waddell

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 25 day of Jan A. D. 1916

(SEAL)

W. M. Keel
County Judge, N. P. Ark
Van Buren County, Okla.

I do hereby approve the foregoing affidavits and application.
This 8th day of Feb. 1916
J. H. Brown
County Judge

Form B No. 3114

CONFEDERATE'S
WIDOW'S APPLICATION
FOR A PENSION

The Commissioners of Pensions re-
serve the right to call for additional
testimony.

Do Not Write Below This Line.

Sarah Arnolds
Pittsburg County
Postoffice *The Atlantic*

Filed *2-12-16*

Approved *7-3-17*

Amt. of Pension allowed *See*

Pension allowed from *7-1-13*

Rejected *JUL 5 - 1916* *and proof*
renewed

~~JUL 9 1917~~ *and proof renewed*
Wm. S. Murray Chairman.

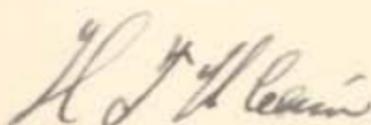
WAR DEPARTMENT,
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON, March 14, 1916.

Respectfully returned to the

Chairman,

Oklahoma Board of
Pension Commissioners,
Oklahoma City.

No record has been found of the
service, capture or parole of a man
named James Alexander Armstrong as a
member of any Arkansas organization
in service in the C. S. A.



The Adjutant General.

OFFICE OF

Board of Pension Commissioners

H. P. McCAIN,
Adjutant General,
Washington, D. C.

Oklahoma City,

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DEAR SIR:

No. 3114

James Alexander Armstrong

who is an applicant for a Pension to the Board of Pension Commissioners of the State of Oklahoma, claims to have been a member of Company S.H. Nichol's Co., Regiment T.H. McRan's Ark. Bat. Infty Vol. C. S. A., and to have been

Multiple horizontal lines for additional text or notes.

Please give us the record of this soldier.

Respectfully,

Wm. D. Matthews

Chairman

ATTEST:

Secretary

Walter Needham
County and Circuit Clerk
VAN BUREN COUNTY

Recd
3/5/17

CLINTON, ARK., Jan 5-1917

To Board of Pensioners

I was acquainted with ^{Yenturny} James E. Armstrong from childhood to beginning of the war and after or about the close of the war, he enlisted as stated and went East of the Mississippi so I was not with him any time during the war, when I came home from Price's Raid in Missouri in Dec'r 1864 Armstrong was here fighting the Jayhawkers and the Yankee Independents and was captured by them in March (I think) 1865. I seen him no more until several years later I met him in Texas I am satisfied that he was a good soldier though I do not know it by my own personal knowledge Very Resp J. M. Pate

As will say I am one of the Pension Board for Van Buren Co Ark

have been since Pension Law was passed

Walter Neesham
Court and Circuit Clerk
Van Buren County

CLINTON, ARK.

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Additional Proof
to be attached to

Application of

Marah A. Armstrong

Indicate Widow

James E. Armstrong

Deceased.

A 3114

Sarah Armstrong
Rec'd 3/5/17

State of Arkansas,)
County of Kau Burr) SS.

Before me, Walter Needham, a Circuit
Clk of said County and State, on this the 5 day of Jan,
1917, personally appeared J. N. Pate

to me known to be a credible citizen, who, having been by me duly sworn on oath states: That he was personally acquainted with James E. Armstrong, a member of ^{Nichols's} Company ^{J. N. McKee's} 1 Regiment of the Arkansas Cavalry, Infantry or Artillery; and he further certifies that he was a member of ^{Nichols's} Company ^{J. N. McKee's} Regiment of the Ark Cavalry, Infantry or Artillery of the Confederate Army of the Confederate State of America; and that he knows of his own personal knowledge that the said James E. Armstrong was a true and loyal soldier in the Confederate Army; that he fought in the Army of the Confederacy from the day of 1861 ^{He enlisted about Dec. 1st 1861} ^{to the} day of , 18 65, and that he never deserted the Army of the Confederacy; that he was paroled on the day of , 1865, at the close of the war at ; he further states that he knew the said James E. Armstrong prior to and after the war, and that during the war they often fought in the same company and regiment.

I saw him in the war long about the close of war

J. N. Pate
Notary Public or County Judge

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 5 day of Jan,
1917.

Walter Needham
(Notary Public or County Judge.)
Circuit Clerk

STATE OF OKLAHOMA
OFFICE OF
PENSION COMMISSIONER
OKLAHOMA CITY

RETURN IN 10 DAYS IF NOT CALLED FOR

*J. M. Pate
Go to Washell
Clinton Okla.*



*filed from
P. 2488*

REASON FOR NON-DELIVERY CHECKED

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~~SARAH ARMSTRONG.~~

~~HARTSHORNE.,~~

~~OKLA.~~

a 3114

McAlester Okla ^{offi}
April 10 - 17.

Board of Pensions I rec'd a letter
from you stating my application had
never been approved of. I kept saying
I cant see why when Judge H. F. Brown
of this place sent you his approval
if I got sufficient proof he said to get
it & yet you say ~~my~~ it was not passed
on. Please write me why & what else
is necessary to do. I oblige
old address 532 W. Wash
new 535 W. Grand Mrs Sarah A. Armstrong

July 14, 1916.

A. 3114--

Mrs. Sarah A. Armstrong,
McAlester, Oklahoma.

Dear madam:--

Your application was received and filed in this office February 12, 1916, and at a meeting of the Board of Pension Commissioners on July 5th, 1916, the same was rejected on account of insufficient proof of service. We can find no record of your husband's service at Washington. J. W. Pate and J. M. Waddell make affidavit that they knew your husband from boyhood until his death and served with him in the army in Nichols' company, McRou batallion, but none of them give any information as to when and where he enlisted, nor when and where your husband got out of the army, whether discharged, paroled or disbanded. The law requires that this be done.

Very truly yours,

C H A I R M A N.

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MISSOURI, OKLAHOMA & GULF RAILWAY COMPANY

ALEXANDER NEW—HENRY C. FERRIS, RECEIVERS

STATION McAlester July 5 '16 191

W W Mathews,

Chairman of the Pension board
Will you please inform me whether
or not my application for Pension
was passed or not

Please let me know by return
mail I oblige

Mrs A Armstrong

15 E. Jefferson

McAlester
Okla

V 2/12/16

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M^{rs} Alecta Olla
May 6-16

W. S. Mathews,
Chairman of the Pension
Board.

Dear Sir, I had my pension
papers fixed up & sent in
3 months ago. I have not heard
from them yet. Will you please
advise me at once why you
have not let me hear whether they
were alright or not.

Judge Brown of this place advised
me write you, so please let
me hear soon.

Y^r O^blige

Mrs S. A. Armstrong
Sarah 15 E. Jefferson
M^{rs} Alecta
Olla.

~~RECEIVED~~ MAY 9 - 1916

See 4

March 24, 1917

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Mrs. Sarah Armstrong,

Box 482, Hartshorne, Okla.

Dear Madam:-

Replying to yours of the 23d inst. will state that we have no application for pension from any one of your name and address, though we do have an application from one of such name, address 532 W. Washington St., McAlester, Okla., and the latter application was rejected for insufficient proof of applicant's husband's military service, and notice thereof sent the applicant on July 8, 1916.

If this is your application, you should present the affidavits of two of your husband's comrades, using the form of affidavit that we furnish for this purpose.

Yours truly,

Secretary

Inc. cur X

a
Hartshorne Okla
March 23-17

Pension Board as it
soon be Time to Pay off
Pensioners Thought maybe
had better write you
address my mail

To Mrs. Sarah Armstrong
Hartshorne Okla
Box 482

3114
523
9 Jan Alexander

~~A-3114~~

OCT 19 1916

Ans
en V & X

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Mrs. Alecta Olla

Oct 14-16

Mr. W.D. Mathews

Will you please advise me what you have done towards my Pension I am greatly need of it so please advise me at once.

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Mrs. S.A. or Sarah Armstrong

532. W. Washington

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