

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

THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA, }
County of Bryan }

I, Elija Wilburn Hallmark

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 Crockett Texas

(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? 78 years
2. Where were you born? Georgia
3. How long have you resided in Oklahoma? 23 years
4. In what county do you reside? Bryan
5. What is your postoffice address? Durant

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? Not able to work

8. What is your physical condition? Poor

9. In what State was the command in which you served organized? Texas

10. How long did you serve; give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge Enlisted in May 1862 and disbanded in April 26th 1865

11. What was the letter of your Company, number of Regiment, Battalion or Battery Company "I" 28th Texas

12. If transferred from one command to another, give time of transfer, name of command and time of service

13. What branch of the service did you enlist in, infantry, cavalry, artillery or navy? Cavalry

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? none

17. What is the assessed value of your other property? none

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

Subscribed and sworn to before me June 5th 1865
J. H. Hallmark

E. W. Hallmark

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

NOTE—There must be at least two credible witnesses.

THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA,

County of Jackson

Before me A. E. Hession
(~~County Judge~~, Notary Public, ~~Justice of Peace~~)

of Jackson County, State of Oklahoma, on this day personally appeared E. W. Turner

known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know Elijah Wilburn Hallmark

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

Elijah Wilburn Hallmark

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.

L. P. Davenport

(Signature of Witness) *R. M. Davenport*

(Signature of Witness) *W. J. Green*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 22 day of May A. D. 1915

W. H. Richey

(County Judge, Notary Public, or Justice of Peace)

S. E. Davenport
Notary Public

(SEAL)

Com. 2-7-1917

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

NOTE—There must be at least two credible witnesses.

THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA, }
County of Pushmataha }

Before me, L. P. Davenport

County Judge of Pushmataha County, State of Oklahoma, on this day personally appeared Mrs. Ritta Green

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

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 Mrs. Ritta Green

further make oath to the following facts touching the applicant's service in the Confederate Army (state fully your source of knowledge): Mrs. Ritta Green says: I am a sister of Elija Wilburn Hallmark above. He left home in 1862 to go to the Confederate army and I received letters from him written while he was in the confederate army and in 1865 he came home from the Confederate Army

(Signature of Witness) Ritta Green

(Signature of Witness)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 29th day of May A. D. 1915

L. P. Davenport

County Judge,

(SEAL)

Pushmataha County, Okla.

Class A

Form A No. 689

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

Name of Applicant

E. R. Halman

Postoffice *Adrian* County

Filed

7-7-15

Approved

OCT 7 - 1915

Amt. of Pension allowed 1.66%

Pension allowed from JUL 1 - 1915

Rejected

Chairman.

WARDEN COMPANY, OKLAHOMA CITY

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WAR DEPARTMENT,

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

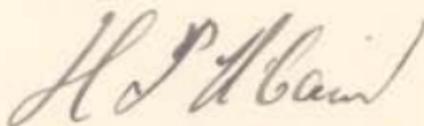
WASHINGTON.

July 14, 1915.

Respectfully returned to the

Chairman, Oklahoma Board of
Pension Commissioners,
Oklahoma City.

The records show that Elijah W.
Hallmark, private, Co. I, 28th Texas
Cavalry, C. S. A., enlisted June 11,
1862. On the muster roll of the com-
pany dated February 29, 1864, last on
file, he was reported present. On a
return of the regiment for April, 1865,
he was reported "Absent sick at Rusk.
Mch. 25/65." No further record of him
has been found.



The Adjutant General.

WM. D. MATTHEWS, *Chairman.*

W. L. CLARK, *Secretary.*

—OFFICE OF—

Board of Pension Commissioners

Oklahoma City, _____, 191_____

H. P. McCAIN,
ADJUTANT GENERAL,
Washington, D. C.

DEAR SIR:

E. W. Hallmark,

who is an applicant for a Pension made to the Board of Pension Commissioners
of the State of Oklahoma, claims to have been a member of Company I,
Regiment 28th Tex Cav
Vol. C. S. A., and to have been

Please give us the record of this soldier.

Respectfully,

Wm. D. Matthews

Chairman.

ATTEST:

W. L. Clark

Secretary.

JUL 11 1915

State of Oklahoma)

County of Jackson)

Before me ,J.M.Williams County Judge of Jackson County Oklahoma, on this day personally appeared G.W.Turner known to me to be a credible citizen, who, being duly sworn, on oath says that he is personally acquainted with the said Elijah Wilburn Hallmark the foregoing applicant, and that ^{the} facts set forth and the statements made in his application are correct and true to the best of his knowledge and belief, and that he has no interest in his claim, and that said applicants habits are good and free from dishonor. And said G.W.Turner further makes oath to the following facts touching the applicants service in the Confederate Army; that said applicant was a good soldier in the Confederate Army, serving from about the last of May 1862 until April or May 1865 in Company I 28th Texas Cavalry, Affiant knows these facts because he was in the same company with Mr.Hallmark during his entire service in the Confederate Army.

G.W. Turner

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 1st day of June 1915.

J.M. Williams

County Judge of Jackson County Oklahoma.

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Oct. 18, 1915

Eliza Wilburn Hallmark

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The notary Ritchey, made an error in stating the expiration of his commission, or else it has expired and in that case you would have to take this to another notary.

(Sir, J)

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STATE BOARD OF PENSION COMMISSIONERS

Oklahoma City

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Oct. 18, 1915

J
Elija Wilburn Hallmark

Dear Sir (or Madam:)--

Your Quarterly Claim for Pension is herewith returned to you for the reason that you failed to observe the instructions contained in Paragraph 8 of the Sheet of Instructions sent you with your first Claim. The notary Ritchey, made an error in stating the expiration of his commission, or else it has expired and in that case you would have to take this to another notary.

Read over that paragraph of the Instructions and then look over your Quarterly Claim again and correct the above mentioned error.

Please return the claim to this office, in the enclosed envelope, by the next mail, in order that your warrant may not be delayed in reaching you.

Respectfully

STATE BOARD OF PENSION COMMISSIONERS

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J. V. CONNELL
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
DURANT, OKLAHOMA

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Warrant issued

August 3, 1923.

To the Pension Commissioner,
Capitol Building,
Oklahoma City,

Dear Sir:-

Mr. Elija W. Hallmark, and old confederate soldier, of Durant, in Bryan County, who has been on the pension roll for a number of years, has failed to get his pension check for the quarter ending June 30, 1923. On July 14th. I mailed you an application for this pension check, but not having heard from you I am again writing to ask that you look the matter up and get it straight for him and to get the check for the quarter ending June 30th.

Kindly give this matter immediate attention, for this old man is unable to do any kind of labor to make a livelihood, and is in very great need of this little stipend, and at his age it is but natural that he is greatly worried about it.

Thanking you for your effort in this matter,
I beg to remain,

Yours very truly, *J. V. Connell*
Adj't. Camp #1166.

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August Fourth,
1923

P-358 ELIJAH W HALLMARK

Mr. J. V. Connell, Adjt.,
Camp #1166,
Durant, Okla.

Dear Sir:

Answering yours of August 3rd in regard to the above named pensioner wish to say that his claim for the quarter ending June 30th was returned to us unsigned; that we sent same back for his signature, and are just now in receipt of claim properly signed.

We will list the claim to the Auditor today and presume we will be able to send Mr. Hallmark his warrant within the next week.

Yours very truly,

Secretary.

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Durant Oklahoma June 17th 1921

Pension Commissioner

Okla City

Dear Sir, I have not yet received my Voucher for the past ~~three~~
months and thought it might have come and been returned

Yours
E. W. Hellmark

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J. V. CONNELL

LAWYER

125 1-2 NORTH THIRD AVE., GRIDER BUILDING
DURANT, OKLAHOMA

July 9, 1921.

State Pension Commissioner,
State of Oklahoma,
Oklahoma City, Okla.

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Dear Sir:-

Elija Wilburn Hallmark, an honorable and worthy member of N. B. Forrest Camp U. C. V. No. 1166, Durant, Oklahoma, complains that he has not received voucher for the quarters ending March 31 and June 30, 1921, nor has he been able to get any hearing from the Pension Department as to the cause for his vouchers not reaching him; and at his request I am writing you for his benefit.

Please look the matter up and if voucher has been made and sent to him, and cashed we would like to have the verified proof thereof that the matter may be investigated, but if it has not been sent out to him kindly have it mailed at once; this old man is totally disabled and needs his money and is entitled to it, and I know you are not intentionally depriving him of it, but for some reason it has not reached him.

His pension number is 355, and his private address is ~~UNKNOWN~~ "No. 449, S. 14th. Ave. and W. Texas Street, Durant, Oklahoma."

Please give this matter your immediate and vigilant attention, and let this old soldier have the benefit of his money at the very earliest day possible; he needs it.

Yours very truly,

J. V. Connell

Adj. N.B. Forrest Camp U.C.V.
No. 1166, Durant, Oklahoma.

J. V. CONNELL
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
DURANT, OKLAHOMA

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July 12, 1923.

PENSION COMMISSIONER,
CAPITOL BUILDING, ROOM 543.
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:-

ELIJA WILBURN HALLMARK of Durant,
Bryan County, failed to get his pension
voucher for Quarter ending June 30, 1923.

July 14

This was probably because of his failure to sign and return his claim for the voucher when he drew his voucher for the quarter ending March 31, 1923; however this may be he failed to get his voucher this month, and he is very old and feeble and is in very great need of this voucher, and I am writing for him to ask that you investigate your records, and if the voucher has not already been mailed out please make and mail it to him at Durant, Gen. Delvy. and oblige,

yours very truly,

Send Dup 20

J. V. Connell
Adj. U. C. V. Camp #1166.

OFFICE OF
FRANK BUFORD
COURT CLERK
BRYAN COUNTY

DURANT, OKLAHOMA

7-16/23

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Dear Sir:- I have not

received my pension check,
is it an oversight or is it
lost in the mail, please
advise me.

Yours truly

E. W. Hallmark

Durant, Okla

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Listed to Auditor

P-355-^{W.} Elijah Hallmark

Died Nov. 20 - 1925-

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202 N.E. Sec. St.
Durant, Okla.

Jan. 9, 1926

Pension Commissioner
Capitol Building, Room 543
Okla. City, Okla.

Dear Madam:

I cashed the check
as you instructed me to do
over the telephone. I paid
the doctor bill in full.

There seems to be
some confusion over the
burial expense. The rest of
the children seem to think
that all the money should
be paid on the burial and
I shouldn't get any of my
expense for keeping my

father until his death. I would like to have a statement from you showing that I am allowed my expense out of the check and the balance \$30. (Thirty Dollars) to be paid on the burial.

Please answer by return mail.

I beg to remain yours
yours very truly,
Mrs. Jessie Wiley.

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QUARTERLY CLAIM BLANK

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA
DEPARTMENT NO. 69

PENSION NO. _____
In Account with _____
P. O. Address _____

355 ELIJAH W. HALL MARK
* MRS JESSE WILEY
DURANT OKLA

Filed _____

For quarter ending _____ *MAR 31 1926* _____

Deceased

Amt. Claimed

\$75.00

The State Auditor is hereby authorized to deliver warrant issued in payment of this claim to the Commissioner of Pensions, who is authorized to mail said warrant to claimant at address hereinafter stated.

I, the undersigned claimant, hereby declare that I am the identical person to whom the pension hereinabove claimed was granted; that I am a resident of the State of Oklahoma, and have not been absent therefrom for a period of more than six consecutive months, last past; that the conditions existing at the time of making my application and upon which the pension was originally granted, still exist; that I have full knowledge of the above and foregoing account; that the same is just, correct, due and according to law, and that the amount claimed, after allowing all just credits, is now due and wholly unpaid.

Petitioner Must Sign Name Exactly As It Is Written Above, Using Ink

GIVE YOUR PERMANENT ADDRESS:

P. O. _____

Route _____ Box _____

St. No. _____

Pensioner sign on this line as above written. Must be signed in the presence of two citizens who must also sign the claim as witnesses.

On this _____ day of _____ 192____, personally appeared the above named pensioner before the undersigned witnesses, and in their presence duly signed the foregoing claim.

SIGNATURES

OF TWO

WITNESSES

_____ Address _____

_____ Address _____

DATE, SIGN AND RETURN AT ONCE



January 14, 1926.

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Mrs. Jessie Wiley,
Durant, Oklahoma.

Dear Mrs. Wiley;

The Confederate Pension Department assumes no authority in the expenditure of the last warrant issued to a pensioner. Further than giving the heirs of the deceased the authority to use this warrant to apply on funeral expenses, we take no action.

With best regards, we are

Yours very truly,

CONFEDERATE PENSION DEPT
C. J. Stewart, Commissioner

By

Secretary.