

AFFIDAVIT NO. 1. RESIDENCE AND CITIZENSHIP. BY TWO CITIZENS WHO KNOW THE APPLICANT HAS RESIDED IN THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA SINCE FEBRUARY 25, 1914. *November 1915*

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, COUNTY OF Marshall, ss:  
 Before me W. E. Evans in and for said county and state, on this 13th  
 day of 13th Aug 1919, personally appeared J. W. Upchurch whose ad-  
 dress is Madill Okla and J. B. Heath whose address  
 is Madill Okla, who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who by me  
 being duly sworn, each for himself depose and saith:  
 That he is personally acquainted with the within named applicant for pension; that he has read the within and foregoing ap-  
 plication and to the best of his knowledge and belief the statements therein contained are true; that to his knowledge said applicant  
 is now and has been a bona fide resident and citizen of the State of Oklahoma for 3 years and 10 Mo years  
 next preceding this date; that he personally knows that said applicant's habits are good and free from dishonor; and that he knows  
 of no reason why said applicant should not be granted a pension under the laws of Oklahoma; and further, that he has no interest  
 whatever in this claim for a pension.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE  
 ME THIS 13 DAY OF August  
 A. D., 1919  
W. E. Evans  
 Notary Public

J. W. Upchurch  
J. B. Heath  
 [SIGNATURES OF TWO WITNESSES]

In and for said County and State  
 (SEAL) My commission expires 11-21 1920

AFFIDAVIT NO. 2. PROOF OF SERVICE IN THE CONFEDERATE ARMY OR NAVY—BY TWO COMRADES IF POSSIBLE

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_, COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_, ss:  
 Before me \_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_ in and for said county and  
 state, on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 191, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_  
 whose address is \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_, whose address is \_\_\_\_\_,  
 both known to me to be credible citizens, and after being duly sworn by me, each for  
 himself depose and saith:  
 That he knows personally that \_\_\_\_\_, the within named applicant for a pension,  
 served in the Confederate army (navy) from \_\_\_\_\_ 186, until \_\_\_\_\_ 186, in  
 Company (or Battery) \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ Regiment of \_\_\_\_\_;  
 [Letter] [Give number and name] [Infantry, Cavalry or Artillery]  
 that his officers were \_\_\_\_\_;  
 that he served honorably and did not desert at any time, but remained true to his colors; that he was released from service on the  
 \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 186, at \_\_\_\_\_ by reason of \_\_\_\_\_  
 [State fully why and by what method—honorably discharge, capture, parole, etc., and by what authority]  
 Affiants further state that they know these statements to be true because of having served themselves in the Confederate  
 Army (Navy).  
 \_\_\_\_\_, affiant first above named, states that he served in company \_\_\_\_\_  
 of \_\_\_\_\_ Regiment of \_\_\_\_\_, from \_\_\_\_\_ 186  
 until \_\_\_\_\_ 186.  
 \_\_\_\_\_, affiant last above named, states that he served in Company \_\_\_\_\_  
 of \_\_\_\_\_ Regiment of \_\_\_\_\_, from \_\_\_\_\_ 186  
 until \_\_\_\_\_ 186.  
 Affiants declare that they have no interest in this claim for a pension, and further state: \_\_\_\_\_

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE  
 ME THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_  
 A. D., 191

\_\_\_\_\_ [SIGNATURES OF TWO WITNESSES]  
 In and for said County and State  
 (SEAL) My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_ 191

NOTE: There must be two witnesses to each of the affidavits above. Both affidavits must be acknowledged before some officer authorized to administer oaths, which officer must express his title and affix his seal. Signatures by mark must be witnessed by two persons. If additional affidavits are needed, or it is necessary to send to distant points to secure proof of service, copies of Affidavit No. 2 may be made on separate sheets, and when executed, attached to the application proper. If applicant has a parole, discharge or other documentary evidence, it should be attached to the application, which when completed, SHOULD BE SENT TO THE COUNTY JUDGE of the county wherein the applicant lives.

Form A-1 No. A 4455  
 Application for Pension for Confederate Soldier or Sailor  
 DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE  
Bert J. Ammons  
 P. O. Madill Okla  
 St. R. Bx. No. R. 1.  
 Filed in Pension Office 8-19, 1919  
 Disallowed \_\_\_\_\_  
 Allowed AUG 30 1920 No. P 3486  
 Allowed from 7-1-1919 Amt. \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 per month. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Reconsidered \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ allowed \_\_\_\_\_  
 From \_\_\_\_\_ Amt. \$ \_\_\_\_\_ No. P \_\_\_\_\_  
R. J. Greese  
 Chairman

THIS SPACE BELOW FOR USE OF COUNTY JUDGE ONLY  
 State of Oklahoma, County of Marshall  
 Filed in the office of the County Judge of said county  
 and state this 13 day of Aug 1919  
 It is hereby recommended that the within named ap-  
 plicant for pension be granted pension.  
Franklin  
 (SEAL) Franklin County Judge.

THIS APPLICATION MUST BE FILED WITH AND AP-  
 PROVED BY THE COUNTY JUDGE OF THE COUNTY WHERE-  
 IN THE APPLICANT RESIDES.  
W. S. Franklin Printing Co., Oklahoma City, Okla.  
8-19-19

Application of Indigent Soldier or Sailor of the Confederacy for a Pension Under the Laws of the State of Oklahoma

EVERY QUESTION MUST BE FULLY ANSWERED. WRITE THE ANSWERS CAREFULLY, USING INK. APPLICATION MUST BE SWORN TO BEFORE SOME OFFICER AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS, AND FILED WITH AND DULY APPROVED BY THE COUNTY JUDGE OF THE COUNTY WHEREIN THE APPLICANT LIVES. READ THE ENTIRE APPLICATION BEFORE BEGINNING. OBSERVE THE INSTRUCTIONS IN FINE PRINT UNDER THE LINES. MAKE YOUR ANSWERS EXPLICIT.

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, COUNTY OF Marshall, ss:

I, the undersigned, a Confederate Soldier (or sailor), do hereby make application for a pension, to be granted me according to the laws of the State of Oklahoma, and under oath I make answer to the following questions:

- 1 What is your FULL NAME? Benjamin Franklin Ammons  
[Give your first name, your middle initial, and your surname.]
- 2 What is your post office address? Madill, Okla., Route No. 1
- 3 What is your street, route or box number? Route 1.
- 4 Are you an actual resident of the State of Oklahoma? Yes Of what county? Marshall
- 5 How long have you lived in the State of Oklahoma? Since November, 1916.
- 6 Where were you born? Catahulpa County, State of Mississippi What is your age? 73
- 7 Have you ever applied for a pension anywhere? Yes Where? Arkansas When? 1906
- 8 If so, were you granted a pension? No. If not, why not? Failed to get application in in time and before next meeting of Commissioners had moved to Texas.
- 9 Do you receive any income, annuity, pension, salary, wages, fees, money or other means of support, from any source whatever? No If so, state in detail the source and amount thereof.  
[Yes or no.]
- 10 Do you, your wife or both of you, own a home, or property of any kind, either real, personal or mixed (household goods and wearing apparel not included), either in fee simple, for life, or in your own right, or an interest therein, or does anyone hold in trust for your benefit or use, any such property? (Answer yes or no.) No
- 11 If so, give an itemized statement of each piece, article or head, and the assessed value of each:
- 12 Have you or your wife transferred or sold property of any kind within the last two years? No If so, state fully the amount, value and circumstances.  
[Yes or no.]
- 13 Have you a home of your own? No If not, with whom do you live? My son, V.A. Ammons
- 14 If related to the person you live with, state what relation. son
- 15 Have you any relatives or connections whose natural duty it is to provide for you? (State fully) two other sons and three daughters
- 16 What is your physical condition? Not good Are you able to work? no
- 17 What occupation are you engaged in? None
- 18 Are you an inmate of any public home or institution, charitable or otherwise? No
- 19 Do you apply for a pension because you are indigent and unable to earn a livelihood by manual labor? Yes
- 20 Did you serve in infantry, cavalry, artillery or navy? Cavalry
- 21 In what state was your command organized or from what state did you enlist? Louisiana
- 22 When did you enlist? 1863 Where? Bineville, Par. La. You served how long? 2 yrs
- 23 What was the name or letter of your company, battery or ship? Co. A.
- 24 State the name and number of your regiment or battalion. 6th or 26th, I forget which.
- 25 To what other commands if any were you transferred? none
- 26 State the names and rank of your officers. Capt. R.B. Love, Lieut. James O. Watts, 2nd Lt. James A. Watts; 3rd Lieut. John Wimberly, Sargeant, Lem Prothro.
- 27 How were you released from the Confederate service? (Captured, paroled or honorably discharged.)  
Why? Paroled When? April, 1865  
Where? Natchitoches, La.
- 28 Were you ever wounded in battle? No.
- 29 Were you a commissioned officer? No State rank and date of commission.
- 30 Were you detailed for special service in any armory or shop for the maintenance of the army or navy? No State fully.

I, the undersigned applicant, do solemnly swear that the foregoing answers are all true and complete, and I do further swear that I never deserted, or abandoned my post of duty while in the service of the Confederacy or any of the states thereof, but served honorably until released and that I know of no reason why I am not entitled to receive a pension.

IF APPLICANT SIGNS BY MARK HAVE TWO WITNESSES TO MARK SIGN HERE

Benjamin Franklin Ammons  
[Applicant sign here, first name, middle initial and surname]  
 Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of May A.D., 1917  
W. H. Evans  
[Signature and title of officer]  
 Notary Public  
 County, Oklahoma

John Reddick  
J. C. Keener  
 My commission expires November 21, 1920  
 (SEAL)

NOTE: It is unlawful for anyone to charge or receive a fee, either directly or indirectly, for the procuring of a pension, or for taking the acknowledgments or oaths required herein.  
 See that all the questions are answered and that you have listed all of your property, whether taxable or not, except household goods and wearing apparel.  
 If applicant cannot write he must sign by mark, show the mark between the words "his" and "mark," and have two witnesses thereto sign on the lines for that purpose.

*Good  
not*

WAR DEPARTMENT,

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, *Aug 26, 1919.*

Respectfully returned to

*The Pension Commissioner  
State of Oklahoma,  
Oklahoma City*

with the information that *The name  
Benj F Ammons has not  
been found on the rolls  
of any Co. (Co. H not iden-  
tified) of the 6 Regt La.  
Cav. U.S.A. and no record  
of capture or parole of  
him has been found.  
No such organization  
as 26 La. Cav.*

*M. Lewis*

The Adjutant General.

*Per D*

Office Of  
THE PENSION COMMISSIONER  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Oklahoma City. 8-19-1919

No. A. \_\_\_\_\_

Hon. Adjutant General,  
War Department,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:--

For the purpose of determining the merits of a certain petition for pension to be granted by the State of Oklahoma, you are respectfully requested to furnish the military record of the following named soldier, who is said to have served in the Confederate States Army (or Navy):-

Name:-- *Benj F. Ammons*

Company:-- *H. 6<sup>th</sup> or 26. La Couly.*

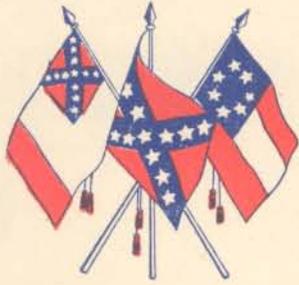
*Enlisted 1863, Paroled Spg  
1865 Mackintosh La,  
Capt R. B. Love*

Respectfully,

*R. J. Greer*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Commissioner of Pensions

3 Received AUG 25 1919

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Oklahoma City

May 15, 1919.

Mr. Benjamin F Ammons,  
Madill, Oklahoma.  
Route #1

Dear Sir:

I am herewith returning your application for pension, for the reason that it has not been signed and approved by your county judge, as the law requires.

You should also fill out affidavit #1, relating to your residence and citizenship, in the presence of two witnesses; and if possible have two witnesses who have some knowledge of your service in the army, to fill out affidavit #2, as proof of your service.

Respectfully,

Margaret Lewis  
Secretary.

*See signatures and seal of  
County Judge and front of  
Application*

Apr 13<sup>th</sup> 1920.Mr B.F. Ammons  
Madill Okla,

Dear Comrade,

Can you not find one other  
Comrade other than (H.C. Preslor) so as to com-  
plete your proof of service in the C.S.A.?  
One more is all you need, I am enclosing  
you blank affidavit to be signed,

With one more witness I will issue a  
Pension, Let me hear from you,

With best wishes

Yours truly

R. J. Sneed  
Comdr

# PROOF OF SERVICE

(By Comrades if Possible)

*Parish* STATE OF ~~ARKANSAS~~ *Louisiana*  
~~COUNTY~~ OF *Red River*

*clerk dist court* On this day personally came before the undersigned, a *Parish Red River*  
within and for the County of \_\_\_\_\_  
and State of *Louisiana*  
citizens of *W C Brewster* whom I certify to be creditable person  
and worthy of confidence, who, being duly sworn, state that ~~they are each~~ *he is*, personally, well ac-  
quainted with applicant *B F Ammons* and have  
known him *43 or 48* years, respectively.

That he was a confederate soldier. Belonging to Company *H R B Lovel capt* Regiment  
of *Col Wm Harrison Va 6*. That as such soldier he served from *March 1864*  
to *April 1865* *Louisiana*. That he was honorably discharged (paroled or released) from  
such service and did not desert the same. That he is now and has been for the past twelve  
months a bona fide resident of Arkansas. That by reason of wounds or injuries received during  
the service ~~he lost a leg or lost the use of a leg, so as to render the use of an artificial leg or~~  
foot necessary or convenient.

*W C Brewster*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *11<sup>th</sup>* day of *May* 190*8*.

*Fred Wilson*  
*CLERK &*  
*Et officio*  
*Notary Public*

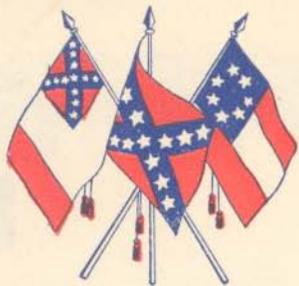
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Office and Pension  
Commissioner  
of Oklahoma City

Dear Sirs i have repeatedly  
tried to get my application  
through for  
a Pension i mailed  
my application to the  
above address  
Properly filled out  
the first one Aug and  
have not as yet received  
a reply and will  
kindly ask that you  
look after same and  
oblige yours truly  
Benjamin Franklin  
Commons  
Medill, Okla, R#1

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Oklahoma City

B. J. Ammons  
Madill Okla

Dear Comrade -

On May 15-1919, this office asked you to furnish some additional proof of service in the Confederate Army, We wrote the War Department Washington D.C. concerning same, but they reply that your name can not be found on rolls of the 6<sup>th</sup> La Cavalry

Cannot you find some of your <sup>old</sup> comrades  
living that can make an affidavit in  
your behalf



Department of  
Pension Commissioners  
of the State of  
Ohio



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# Pension Department

STATE OF OKLAHOMA



R. A. SNEED,  
COMMISSIONER

UNA LEE ROBERTS,  
SECRETARY

Oklahoma City *Apr 13<sup>th</sup> 1920,*

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*Madill Okla,*

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With best wishes

Yours truly  
*R. A. Sneed*  
Commr

Lebanon - Ala Aug 29-1920

Pension Commissioner Ala City

Dear sir I have made a complete  
search for an other witness to  
my service in the C S A but  
have not been able to find a single  
one living as I was the youngest  
one in the company

And I am going to ask that you  
closely consider my case and if

Possible issue my Pension

other wise I will never be able to  
yours Very truly D. F. Ammons

Pension Department

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Oklahoma City



*Return to Writer*

*This man is deceased*

*died Mar 27, 1925*

*Sent pay  
back to family*

*R 4-11-25*



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~~BENJ F AMMONS  
WILLIS OKLAHOMA~~

*Pl*

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W-59534 = 4-6-25  
Pension Commissioner

dear sir my husband  
Benj. F. Ammons is  
dead and I wish  
to have his Pension  
claim transferred  
to me

will you please  
send the necessary  
blankets

and oblige  
yours truly  
Mrs M. E. Ammons

Send applic  
indiv

RV ✓

RL ✓



# Pension Department

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

Oklahoma City

April 13, 1925.



C. J. STEWART  
COMMISSIONER  
MARGARET PERRY LEWIS  
SECRETARY

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Mrs. M. E. Ammons,  
Willis, Oklahoma.

Dear Madam:

We have yours of April 11th asking that your husband's pension be transferred to you, and we are therefore enclosing an application blank which you will kindly fill out (except where crossed out in red) at your very earliest opportunity and return to us for filing. You will be given a new pension number, and your name placed on the roll, and you will receive the same amount that was paid to Mr. Ammons.

We want to tell you how sorry we are that you have lost your husband, and we extend to you our heartfelt sympathy.

Your postmaster returned the warrant sent to Mr. Ammons, with notation on the envelope that Mr. Ammons had died on March 27th. We immediately sent the warrant back with instructions to deliver to Mr. Ammons' family, and we trust that by this time you have received it. The bank will cash it for you if you will indorse it with Mr. Ammons' name, by yourself as wife, in the presence of witnesses.

Again expressing our sympathy, we are

Yours very truly,

CONFEDERATE PENSION DEPARTMENT

*C. J. Stewart*  
COMMISSIONER

By M. E.,

*R ✓*  
*Widow's appli returned for co Judge*  
*4-20-25*

April 13, 1925.

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CONFEDERATE PENSION DEPARTMENT

COMMISSIONER

By

**QUARTERLY CLAIM BLANK**

**STATE OF OKLAHOMA**

COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS  
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA  
DEPARTMENT NO. 69

PENSION NO.

3486

BENJ F AMMONS

In Account with

WILLIS OKLAHOMA

P. O. Address

Filed -----

Amt. Claimed

For quarter ending -----

JUN 30 1925

**\$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. Willis Oklahoma

Route Genrl Delv Box -----

St. No. -----

*Mary Ellen Ammons*

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 18 th day of April 1925, personally appeared the above named pensioner before the undersigned witnesses, and in their presence duly signed the foregoing claim.

SIGNATURES

OF TWO

WITNESSES

*Edw. Dryden* Address Willis Oklahoma  
*W. McCallham* Address Kingston Oklahoma

**DATE, SIGN AND RETURN AT ONCE**

