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Application of Indigent Widow of Confederate Soldier or Sailor, 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 Texas, ss:

I, the undersigned, the widow of 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? Mary A. Lile
(Give your first name, your middle initial, and your surname.)
- 2 What is your post office address? Guymon, Texas County, Oklahoma.
- 3 What is your street, route or box number? R.R. No. 3
- 4 Are you an actual resident of the State of Oklahoma? Yes Of what county? Texas
- 5 How long have you lived in the State of Oklahoma? Since June 2nd, 1903
- 6 Where were you born? Miss. What is your age? 68 past
- 7 Have you ever applied for a pension anywhere? No Where? _____ When? _____
- 8 If so, were you granted a pension? _____ If not, why not? _____
- 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 I have no means of support. I own no property of any kind.
(Yes or no)
- 10 Do you own a home, or property of any kind, either real, personal or mixed (household goods and wearing apparel not included) 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: _____
_____ 00 _____
- 12 Have you 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)
Widow of J.N. Lile Pension # 2106
- 13 Have you a home of your own? No. If not, with whom do you live? My Daughter, Pearl Peterson
- 14 If related to the person you live with, state what relation: Daughter
- 15 Have you any relatives or connections whose natural duty it is to provide for you? (State fully) Yes, but they are not financially able, I have Sons and Daughters
- 16 What is your physical condition? Not able to do anything Are you able to work? No.
- 17 What occupation are you engaged in? I cannot do any work of any kind.
- 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 What was your husband's FULL NAME? James N. Lile
- 21 Is the man named in answer to question 20 above, the one upon whose military service you base this claim for a pension? yes.
- 22 Have you remarried since his death? No.
- 23 When were you married to him? August 27th, 1868 Where? Roosville, Arkansas.
- 24 When did he die? July 18th, 1920 Where? Home of our daughter/
- 25 Did he ever draw a pension? yes. State fully when and where About 4 years, State of Oklahoma.
- 26 Did he serve in the Confederate infantry, cavalry, artillery or navy? Infantry & Cavalry
- 27 In what state was his command organized or from what state did he enlist? Texas
- 28 When did he enlist? In 1861 Where? Danvin Co., Texas How long did he serve? 4 Years.

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- 29 What was the name or letter of his company, battery or ship? Company "F"
- 30 State the name and number of his regiment or battalion. 11th Texas Cavalry.
- 31 To what other commands if any was he ever transferred? 9th Infantry
- 32 If possible, state the names and rank of his officers. If I remember right. He was under Gen. Hood
Hood's Brigade
- 33 How was he released from the Confederate service? (Captured, paroled or honorably discharged?) Paroled.
- 34 Why? He surrendered with his company and was paroled and sent home.
- 35 When? Just after Gen. Lee's surrender, 1865 Where? Aberdeen Miss.
- 36 Was he a commissioned officer? No. State rank and date of his commission _____
- 37 Was he detailed for special service in an armory or shop for the maintenance of the army or navy? No. State fully.
He was a Private soldier in line of duty. He was wounded four times.

I, the undersigned applicant, do solemnly swear that the foregoing answers are all true and complete, and I do further 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, 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

Mary Ann Libb
(Applicant sign here, first name, middle initial and surname)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22 day of

July 1920 A. D., 1920

My commission expires _____, 1921

Geo. M. Fitts County Judge
(Signature and title of officer)

(SEAL)

Texas County, Oklahoma.

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 "her" and "mark," and have two witnesses thereto sign on the lines for that purpose.

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Affidavit No. 1. Residence and Widowhood. By Two Citizens Who Know the Applicant Has Resided in the State of Oklahoma Since February 25, 1914, and That She is Now a Widow.

STATE OF OKLAHOMA, COUNTY OF Texas, ss:

Before me _____ in and for said county and state, on this 22nd day of July, 1920, ~~191~~, personally appeared Jerome Peterson whose address is Goodwell, Oklahoma and G.A. Peterson whose address is Goodwell, Oklahoma, 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 application 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 Thirteen years next preceding this date; that said applicant is in truth and in fact the widow of the man named in this application upon whose military service she bases this claim for pension; that she has not remarried since his death; that the 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 BE:
FORE ME THIS 22 DAY OF July, 1920
A. D., 1920
Geo M. [Signature]
County Judge
In and for said County and State
(SEAL)
My commission expires _____, 191

Jerome Peterson
G.A. Peterson
(SIGNATURES OF TWO WITNESSES)

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 _____, deceased husband of the within named applicant, served in the Confederate army (navy) from _____ 186, until _____ 186, in Company (or Battery) _____ of the _____ Regiment of _____; 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 BE:
FORE ME THIS _____ DAY OF _____

In and for said County and State
(SEAL)
My commission expires _____, 191

(SIGNATURES OF TWO WITNESSES)

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 B-1

No. A 3459 4311

Application for Pension for Widow of Confederate Soldier or Sailor

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

Mary A Rile
road mill Okla

P. O. R-2-

St., R., Bx. No. _____

Filed in Pension Office JUL 27 1920

Disallowed _____

Allowed JUL 27 1920 No. P. 3459

Allowed from 7-1-11 Amt. \$ _____
per month.

Reconsidered _____ and _____ allowed

From _____ Amt. \$ _____ No. P. _____

R. D. Greed
Commissioner Chairman.

THIS SPACE BELOW FOR USE OF COUNTY JUDGE ONLY

State of Oklahoma, County of St. Louis

Filed in the office of the County Judge of said county and state this 27 day of July 1920

It is hereby recommended that the within named applicant for pension be Granted a pension, (granted—refused)

R. D. Greed
(SEAL) _____ County Judge.

THIS APPLICATION MUST BE FILED WITH AND APPROVED BY THE COUNTY JUDGE OF THE COUNTY WHEREIN THE APPLICANT RESIDES.

Goodwell Okla
July 22-1920

Dear sirs; my husband
died the 18th. He was not
able to do anything for the
last year of his life. and
I am helpless too and sick
all the time. I have had
one heavy stroke and two
light strokes of paralysis
so you can see I am
entitled to \$15. per month
and will be very thankful
for same. If you wish
to do so you may ask Dr.
Hayes of Guymon Okla.
about my health. Or Dr
Lee. They have been treating
me since January.
Respt Mrs J. N. Hile.

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ROARING SPRINGS, TEXAS

May 7, 1921

Commissioner of Pensions
Oklahoma City, Okla.

Handwritten signature
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of signer
The letter

Dear Sir, on account of ~~the~~ death
of my sister, Mary A. Lile is forced to live
with me, in state of Texas. She is not
physically able to live alone altho her home
is in Okla. Could she continue to
draw said Pension. We can furnish
reliable witnesses to this effect. (over)

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HARDWARE, IMPLEMENTS AND FURNITURE
BIG SPRINGS, TEXAS

if not, could she be entitled to draw
a pension from Texas?

Respectfully,

Mrs. Guy B. Thacker.

May 10, 1921.

Mrs. Mary A. Lile,
Star Route, Roaring Springs, Texas.

Dear Madam:

I note your claim for June gives the above permanent address, and have noted contents of letter from your sister, Mrs. Guy B. Thacker of 7th instant.

In reply will state that you cannot continue to draw the Oklahoma pension and remain a citizen of Texas. If you expect to make your home in Texas, much as we regret to do so, we must drop your name from our pension roll.

Under the Texas law, I believe you would not be eligible for a pension in Texas. Write the Comptroller of the State of Texas stating the circumstances to him, and I know you will find I am correct about this. To be eligible for a Texas pension, you must make proof to the pension department of that state that you have been a citizen of that state since prior to January 1st, 1900.

We will be compelled to hold up payment of your June claim until you advise us whether or not you intend to return to Oklahoma.

Respectfully,

Secretary.

Quarterly Claim Blank

COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA
DEPARTMENT NO. 69

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

In Account with **MARY A. LILE.**

Filed _____

P. O. Address **GOODWELL, R-1**

To Pension No. 3459

Amt. Claimed

For the quarter ending JUN 30 1921

300

Class _____

The State Auditor is hereby authorized to deliver warrant issued in payment of this claim to the Commissioner of Pensions, and he 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.

PENSIONER MUST SIGN NAME EXACTLY AS IT IS WRITTEN ABOVE, USING INK

GIVE YOUR PERMANENT ADDRESS:

P. O. Boaring Springs Texas Mary A. Lile

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

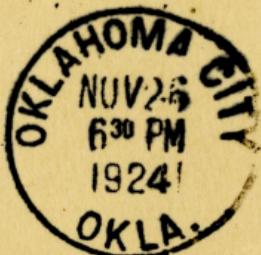
St. No. _____

On this 7th day of May, 1921, personally appeared the above named pensioner before the undersigned witnesses, and in their presence duly signed the foregoing claim.

SIGNATURES OF TWO WITNESSES } M. S. Tucker Address Boaring Springs, T.

WITNESSES } J. C. Gardner Address _____

Date, Sign and Return this Claim at Once.



RED CROSS
ROLL CALL
JOIN



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Mrs. Mary A. Lile,
Goodwell, Okla.

Postmaster: Please deliver to family or
some friend of above.

PENSION DEPT., OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. 11-26-24

P. 3459 ; (NAME) MARY A. LILE

We have not received pension claim of above named pensioner for quarter ended _____ and pension warrant cannot be issued until this is returned.

If the pensioner is dead, the family should advise us EXACT DATE OF DEATH so that we may close our records in this case.

~~Warrant for preceding quarter has been returned to us and family is entitled to receive this warrant;~~ PLEASE ANSWER AT ONCE, ALSO RETURN THIS CARD WITH YOUR REPLY.

Margaret Lewis
Secretary.

IF RECEIVED
PLEASE ADVISE

Pension Dept.,
Oklahoma City, Okla.

Dear Sirs:

My mother, Mary A. Lile died October 10, 1924.

As she could not receive a pension from Oklahoma because I was her only daughter, and lived in Texas, I just never realized the necessity of informing you. I wrote you about her leaving Oklahoma and you said she would no longer be entitled to the pension. When I look at the bullets taken from my father, it makes me feel that he and Mother were treated very shabbily about their pension. Seems to me that people should receive a pension who are loyal to the South, no matter where they live. I think the north appreciated its soldiers much more than the south. Of course I realize the fault lies in the law.

Yours truly,

Mrs. Guy B. Thacker.

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