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FORM A.

Soldier's Application  
for a Pension

The Commissioner of Pensions reserves the  
right to call for additional testimony if he deems  
it necessary.

Name of Applicant.

John Blasingame,  
Henderson County.

Postoffice La Rue, Tx

MAY 9 - 1915

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Approved

Pension allowed from

Rejected 5/19/15

Commissioner of Pensions.

For Use of Soldiers Who are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Harrison

I, John Blaingame do hereby make application to the Commissioner of Pensions for a pension to be granted me under the Act passed by the 33rd Legislature of the State of Texas, and approved April 7, 1913, 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; or (that I was in the service of the State of Texas during the war, to protect said State against the Indians and Mexicans for more than 6 months.) That I was honorably discharged or surrendered & was discharged  
at Luka Miss in 1865 at the close  
of the war  
 (Give date and cause.)

that I have been a bona fide citizen of this State since prior to January 1, A. D. 1900, and have been continuously since a citizen of the State of Texas. I do further state that I do not hold any National, State, city or county office which pays me a salary or fees of \$300.00 per annum, nor have I an income from any other employment or other source whatever which amounts to \$300.00 per annum, nor do I receive from any source whatever money or other means of support amounting in value to the sum of \$300.00 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, exclusive of a home of the value of not more than \$1000.00; nor do I receive any aid or pension from any other State, or from the United States, or from any other source, and that I am not an inmate of the Confederate Home, and I do further state that the answers given to the following questions are true:

1. What is your age? 82 years
2. Where were you born? In Tennessee
3. How long have you resided in Texas? 21 years
4. In what county do you reside? In Harrison Co
5. How long have you resided in said county, and what is your postoffice address?  
to 3 1/2 years - My Post-office is La Rue, Tex

6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law and been rejected? If rejected, state when and where. Have never applied
7. What is your occupation, if able to engage in one? none What is your physical condition? Full
8. In what State was the command in which you served organized? In Miss
9. How long did you serve? Give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge. About 4 years
10. What was the letter of your company, number of battalion, regiment or battery?  
Co. C - Donipans Company - 7th Miss Reg. Arthur Reynolds  
was colonel
11. If transferred from one command to another, give time of transfer, name of command and time of service.  
has not transferred
12. What branch of the service did you enlist in—infantry, cavalry, artillery or navy?  
Infantry





-13. If commissioned direct by the President, what was your rank and line of duty?

*was not commissioned*

14. If detailed for special service, under the law of conscription, what was the nature of your service and how long did you serve?

*was not detailed*

15. What is the assessed value of your home, if you own a home?

*I own none*

16. What is the assessed value of your other property?

*I have no other property  
subject to taxation*

17. Have you transferred to others any property of any kind for the purpose of becoming a beneficiary under this law?

*no*

Wherefore your petitioner prays that his application for a pension be approved and such other proceedings be had in the premises as are required by law.

(Signature of Applicant.)

*his  
John X Blasingame*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *6* day of *November* A. D. 191*5*

*C. Coomer*  
County Judge *Henderson* County, Texas.

[Seal.]

### AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

[Note.]—There must be at least two creditable witnesses.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of *Henderson*

Before me *C. Coomer*, County Judge of *Henderson* County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *W. A. Hall + John Hall*

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

*John Blasingame*, the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said *John Blasingame* has been a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas since prior to January 1, A. D. 1900, and that they have no interest in his claim.

X (Signature of Witness) *W. A. Hall*

X (Signature of Witness) *J. W. Hall*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *7* day of *May* A. D. 191*5*

*C. Coomer*  
County Judge *Henderson* County, Texas.

[Seal.]

### AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

(If possible the two witnesses should have served with the applicant in the army, and if so, let them, or either, state it in their oath, their source of knowledge; also any information regarding applicant's army service.)

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of

Before me, County Judge of County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared

who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by me sworn, on oath state that they are per-

sonally acquainted with the foregoing applicant, and that the facts set forth and statements made in his applica-  
tion 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 fol-  
lowing facts touching the applicant's service in the Confederate Army: (State fully your source of knowledge.)

*This applicant knows of no  
witnesses to his service in the  
Army and he requests that  
you write to War Department  
at Washington for his records*

*C. D. Queen  
Co. Judge*

(Signature of Witness)

(Signature of Witness)

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

[Seal.]

County Judge..... County, Texas.



CERTIFICATE OF STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR

I, *D. F. Henry*, State and County Assessor in the County of *Harrison*  
State of Texas, do certify that *John Blasingame*, or his wife, or his trustee,  
or trustee for his wife, whose name is signed to the foregoing application for a pension, under the Act of the  
Thirty-third Legislature, approved April 7, 1913, is charged on the tax rolls of said county with a homestead of  
the value of *no* Dollars,  
and of other property, real or personal, or both, of the value of *no*  
Dollars.

Given under my hand, this *7* day of *May*, A. D. 191 *5*

*D. F. Henry*  
State and County Assessor.





OFFICE OF  
COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS  
STATE OF TEXAS  
AUSTIN

J. C. JONES, COMMISSIONER

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To the Adjutant General,

War Department,

Washington, D. C.

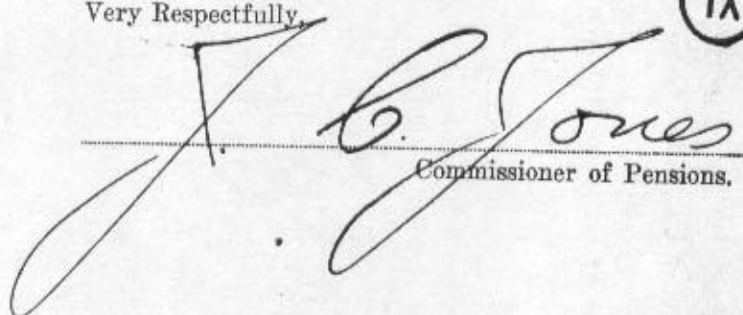
Dear Sir:

I have the honor to request the military record of John Blasingame who is  
reported to have enlisted in Company C, Regiment 26 Miss. Reg of Infantry

in service of the Confederate States Army.

Purpose: The person above named is an applicant for a Confederate pension granted by the State, and I desire to verify his proof of service.

Very Respectfully,

  
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Commissioner of Pensions.



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WAR DEPARTMENT,  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,  
WASHINGTON, May 14, 1915.

Respectfully returned to the  
Commissioner of Pensions,  
State of Texas, Austin.

The records show that one John Blasingame (surname also borne as Blasengame and as Blasengam, but not found as Blasingame), private, aged 28 years, enlisted August 24, 1861, in Company C, 26th Reg't Mississippi Infantry, C.S.A. On the roll for July and August, 1863, last roll on which borne, he was reported absent, in Inge's Cavalry, by order of Colonel Reynolds. His name appears on another record of the company on file, dated March 16, 1865, with the following remark relative to him: "He has used every exertion to keep out of the service."

The records also show that one John Blasinghim (surname also borne as Blasinghim, but not found as Blasingame), private, Company B (Captain Warren), 10th Reg't Mississippi Cavalry, C.S.A., enlisted January 10, 1863. On the roll covering the period from September 7, 1862, to March 9, 1863, only roll of this company on which borne, he was reported present. No further record has been found.

*H. J. McLean*  
The Adjutant General.