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FORM No. 1.

7246

CONFEDERATE PENSION APPLICATION.

Name of Applicant,

A. J. DeFur

Henderson

County.

Post Office

Wild Cat, Texas

Comptroller's File No.

7246

I have carefully examined the within application for pension, together with the proof in support thereof, and

I recommend that the application be

Approved

this

JUL 9 day of 1900

A. D.

Wm. J. Brown
Pension Clerk.

I hereby approve within application

for pension, this

subscribed
Wm. J. Brown
Comptroller.

A. D.

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Comptroller.

No Application Rejected by County Judge or County Commissioners Should be Forwarded to Comptroller.

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AFFIDAVIT OF PHYSICIAN.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Henderson
County Judge of Henderson

Before me W. F. Freeman
County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared

....., who is a reputable practicing physician of this County, who being by me duly sworn on oath, states that he has carefully and thoroughly examined

applicant for a pension, and finds him laboring under the following disabilities which render him unable to labor at any work or calling sufficient to earn a support for himself: He has a very very severe form of Lupa sets in his fingers & hands. If he could work it is so severe that it renders him totally unfit for labor with his right hand. his left is also badly affected.

(Signature of Physician) C. R. Johnson

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 26 day of June A. D. 1900
W. F. Freeman

(SEAL)

County Judge Henderson County, State of Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY JUDGE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Henderson
County Judge of Henderson
day of February A. D. 1900
A. J. DeFur

I, W. F. Freeman
County, State of Texas, do hereby certify that on the 10th

before me came on to be heard the application of A. J. DeFur for a pension under the Confederate Pension Law of this State, approved May 12, A. D. 1899; that the answers of said applicant to the questions propounded were made under oath as the same appear in writing in the foregoing application; that the affidavits of the witnesses who are credible citizens were made before me as the same hereinbefore appear, and that the foregoing affidavit of Doctor C. R. Johnson

who is a reputable practicing physician of this County, was made before me. I also certify that the said applicant A. J. DeFur is not an inmate of the Texas Confederate Home, nor otherwise disqualified under the provision of Section 12, of the Confederate Pension Law. I further certify that after considering all the proceedings had before me relative to the said application for a pension by the said A. J. DeFur I find the said applicant is lawfully entitled to the pension provided by the Confederate Pension Law of this State, and I hereby approve said application.

Witness my hand and seal of office at Athens this 10th day of February A. D. 1900

W. F. Freeman

(SEAL)

County Judge Henderson County, State of Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Henderson
County, Texas, hereby certify that the foregoing application of A. J. DeFur
by Hon. W. F. Freeman County Judge of this Henderson
County, to the Commissioners Court of this Henderson County, at a regular term thereof on the
day of 18th Feb. A. D. 1900, and after a careful consideration of the same we find the said applicant is

We, the undersigned members of the Commissioners Court of

lawfully entitled to the pension provided for by the Confederate Pension Law of this State, and we hereby approve said application.

Witness our hands and seal of office at Athens this 18th day of Feb. A. D. 1900

(Signatures of Commissioners.)

Miss Gandy
Jno C Wiley
E W Smith
Wood Forester



(SEAL)

APPLICATION of Indigent Soldier or Sailor of the late Confederacy for pension under the Act of May 12, 1899.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, }

COUNTY OF Henderson }

To the Honorable County Judge of Henderson County, Texas.

Your petitioner, A. J. Defur respectfully represents that he is a resident citizen of Henderson County, in the State of Texas, and that he makes this application for the purpose of obtaining a pension under the act passed by the Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Texas, and approved May 12, A. D. 1899, the same being an act entitled "An act to carry into effect the amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing that aid may be granted to disabled and dependent Confederate soldiers, sailors, and their widows under certain conditions, and to make an appropriation therefor," and I do solemnly swear that the answers I have given to the following questions are true.

NOTE—Applicant must make answer to all of the following questions, and such answers must be written out plainly in ink.

- Q. What is your name? Answer A. J. Defur
- Q. What is your age? Answer 70 years
- Q. In what County do you reside? Answer Henderson
- Q. How long have you resided in said County and what is your post office address? Answer I have resided in said county six years. Wild Cat P.O.
- Q. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate Pension Law heretofore, and been rejected? If so state when and where. Answer No
- Q. What is your occupation if able to engage in one? Answer Farming
- Q. What is your physical condition? Answer Feeble
- Q. If your physical condition is such that you are unable by your own labor to earn a support, state what caused such disability. Answer Infirm old age
- Q. State in what company and regiment you enlisted in the Confederate army, and the time of your service? Answer Company "C" Regiment Crescent La. Team May 1862 to Apr 1865
- Q. If you served in the Confederate navy state when and where, and the time of your service. Answer _____
- Q. State whether or not you have received any pension or veteran donation land certificate under any previous law, and if you answer in the affirmative state what pension or veteran donation land certificate you have received. Answer No
- Q. What real and personal property do you now own, and what is the present value of such property? Give list of such property and value. Answer 1 mule of the value of \$2000



- Q. What property, and what was the value thereof have you sold or conveyed within two years prior to the date of this application? Answer none
- Q. What income, if any, do you receive? Answer none
- Q. Are you in indigent circumstances; that is, are you in actual want, and destitute of property and means of subsistence? Answer I have property as above shown
- Q. Are you unable by your labor to earn a support? Answer I am
- Q. Have you transferred to others any property of value of any kind for the purpose of becoming a beneficiary under this law? Answer No
- Q. Did you ever desert the Confederacy? Answer No
- Q. Have you been continuously since the first day of ~~January~~ July, 1880, a bona fide resident citizen of this State? Answer I have

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

Witness San J. Small (Signature of Applicant)
Young Shirk

A. J. Defur
man
day of July A. D. 1899

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 3 day of July A. D. 1899
W. F. Freeman
County Judge Henderson County, Texas.

(SEAL)

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES.

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Henderson

Before me, W. F. Freeman

County Judge of Henderson County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared B. B. Floyd
W. R. Litchfield

who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who being by me duly sworn on oath, state that they personally know A. J. Defur the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said A. J. Defur enlisted in the service of the Confederacy, and performed the duties of a soldier (or sailor) as claimed by him in the above and foregoing application, and that they further know that he, the said applicant, is unable to support himself by labor of any sort.

- (Signature of Witness) B. B. Floyd ✓
- (Signature of Witness) W. R. Litchfield ✓
- (Signature of Witness) _____
- (Signature of Witness) _____

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20th day of March A. D. 1900

W. F. Freeman
County Judge Henderson County, Texas.

(SEAL)

In Re. Confederate Pension Application of _____
Soldier or Sailor of the late
Confederacy for pension under the Act. of May 12th, 1899.

COMMISSION TO TAKE TESTIMONY OF WITNESS:

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To Any officer authorized JUDGE OF THE under the
COURT OF laws of the COUNTY, STATE OF Louisiana
GREETING:--
to administer an oath

You are hereby authorized and empowered to cause to come before you
Solomon Kay, El Kay, Jackson Corley,
Jno. Bolton, Gaspar Curtis, or any of them
of your County, and *their* answers to take to the accompanying interrogatories propounded to *them*

in the matter of application of *A. J. Defur*
for Confederate Pensions under Act. of May 12, 1899, made and now pending before the County Judge of
Menderson County in the State of Texas, and having reduced the said answers to
writing, you will cause the said witness's to swear to and subscribe them before you, to which you will
Certify officially, after which you will seal up said Interrogatories and answers together with this commission,
in a package directed to the Judge of the County Court of *Menderson* County,
at *Athens*, in the State of Texas,

WITNESS *W. F. Freeman*, Judge of the County Court of
Menderson County, and the seal of said Court at my office, in the
City of *Athens*, State of Texas, this the *28th* day
of *July* A. D. 18*99*

W. F. Freeman
County Judge of *Menderson* Co. Texas.
Issued this the *28th* day of *July* A. D. 18*99*
Co. Judge _____ County.

(Seal)

Ex - Party,
A. J. Defur
Applicant for Confederate
Pension.

In the matter of an application for Confederate Pension, pending
before the County Judge of *Menderson*
County, State of Texas. Under Act. of May 12, 1899.

Statement of the Case:-

Applicant *A. J. Defur* for Confederate Pensions under Act. of May 12,
1899, of the State of Texas, applied for pensions and made Affidavit before me, on the *23rd* day of



July A. D. 1899, to the following facts:-

That his name is A. J. Defur Age 70 years
resides in Henderson County, in the State of Texas, and resided in said County for
six years (6)

Post office address is Wild Cat, Texas; That he never heretofore
Applied for pension and been rejected. That his occupation is Farming
That his physical condition is Feeble

and is unable to earn a support by his own labor; cause of his disability is Infirm
old age

That he enlisted in the Confederate army in company "C", 69th Reg. Ia.
Regiment

on or about the _____ day of _____ 1861, and served for a term of
Three years (3)

That he has no income. That he is in indigent
circumstances; in actual want and destitute of property and means of Subsistence. That he never deserted the
Confederacy, and that he has been a bona fida resident citizen of the State of Texas, continuously since
January 1st, 1880,

Attest: W. S. Freeman
County Judge of Henderson Co., Texas.

Ex - Party,
A. J. Defur
Applicant for Confederate
Pension.

In the matter of an application for Confederate Pension, pending
before the County Judge of Henderson
County, State of Texas. Under Act. of May 12. 1899.

Depositions and answers of Solomon Kay & Pickins Kay

to the following interrogatories propounded to Solomon Kay & Pickins Kay, in the
above entitled Pension claim, taken before Jas. Standfield M. S. C. Judge
of the Western Dist Court of Vernon County, State of
Louisiana, in accordance with the accompanying commission, issued by the County
Judge of Henderson County, State of Texas.

- Q. 1- What is your name? Answer Solomon Kay & Pickins Kay.
- Q. 2- What is your age? Answer 65 years & 60 years respectively
- Q. 3- In what County and State do you reside? Answer Vernon Parish La

- Q. 4- What is your post office address? Answer \$ *L. Caney rd 1 Ray Lu*
- Q. 5- Do you personally know *A. J. Defur* who is an applicant for a pension? Answer: *We do.*
- Q. 6- Do you personally know that the said *A. J. Defur* applicant for pension enlisted in the service of the Confederacy and performed the duties of a Soldier or Sailor? Answer: *We do. in Co. E. Shellas Company*
- Q. 7- Do you personally know in what Company and Regiment said *A. J. Defur* enlisted in the Confederate army, and the time of his service? Answer: *He enlisted in Shellas Bat. - 1st Regt. & out of service General Landry. Co. D. Creek Reg.*
- Q. 8- Do you further know that he, the said applicant, is unable to support himself by labor of any sort? Answer: *We do not think that he is able to do so - mostly by labor.*
- Q. 9-
- Q. 10-

(Signature of Applicant) *Witnesses*

By *Solomon Key* Attorney.

Pickens Key

Cross Interrogatories by the County Judge:-

- Q. 1. *Sworn to and subscribed before me at my office at Lewisville La this 8th day of August - 1899.*
- Q. 2. *James H. Hamilton*
- Q. 3. *M. S. Court*
- Q. 4. *Western Dist. La*

I hereby waive cross examination *W. H. Freeman* County Judge of *Anderson* County, Texas.

(Signature of Witness)

(Signature of Witness)

The State of *Louisiana*

County of *Terrace*, I, _____, Judge of the _____ Court of _____ County, State of _____

do hereby certify that *Solomon Key* and *Pickens Key* are personally known to me to be credible citizens of my County and State, that the foregoing answers of *Solomon Key* and *Pickens Key*, the witness before named, were made before me and were sworn to and subscribed before me on the _____ day of _____ A. D. 1899, by the said witness.

Given under my hand and seal this the _____ day of *August* - A. D. 1899

Judge of the _____ Court of _____ County, State of _____



11. If you have any other information...

12. Do you personally know...

13. Do you personally know...

14. Do you personally know...

15. Do you personally know...

Answer:

16. Do you personally know...

17. Do you personally know...

18. Do you personally know...

Answer:

A. J. O'Brien

Signature of Applicant

Witness

Cross Interrogatories by the County Judge

19.

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21.

22.

County Judge of...

Signature of Witness

Signature of Witness

The State of

County of...

do hereby certify that...

are personally known to me to be credible citizens of my County and State...

sworn made before me and were sworn to and subscribed before me on the...

day of...



County Judge of...

County Judge of...

County Judge of...