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WIDOW'S APPLICATION
FOR A PENSION

The Comptroller of Public Accounts reserves the right to call for additional testimony if he deems it necessary.

Name of Applicant.

Mrs. Ellen Harris.

Gregg County.

R. F. D. ~~or Street~~ No. 4,

Postoffice Kilgore, Texas.

Filed April 5-1927

Approved April 11-1927

Pension allowed from Mar 1-1927

Rejected

S. H. Perrell

Comptroller of Public Accounts.

THE K. L. STECK CO., AUSTIN

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Widow's Application for Confederate Pension

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
 County of Gregg

I, Mrs. Ellen Harris, do hereby make application to the Comptroller of Public Accounts for a pension, to be granted me under the Act passed by the Thirty-third Legislature of the State of Texas, and approved April 7, A. D. 1913, on the following grounds:

I am the widow of John Franklin Harris, deceased, who departed this life on the 10th, day of June, A. D. 1916, in the county of Gregg in the State of Texas.

I have not remarried since the death of my said husband,* and I do solemnly 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. I was married to him on the 26th, day of February, A. D. 1900, in the county of Gregg, in the State of Texas.

My husband, the said John Franklin Harris, enlisted and served in the military service of the Confederate States during the war between the States of the United States, and that he did not desert the Confederate service. I have been a resident of the State of Texas since prior to January 1, A. D. 1910, and have been continuously since a citizen of the State of Texas. I do further state that I do not receive from any source whatever money or other means of support amounting in value above the sum of \$300.00 per annum, nor do I own in my own right, nor does anyone hold in trust for my benefit or use, estate or property, either real, personal or mixed, either in fee or for life, of the value of one thousand dollars, exclusive of the home of the value of not over \$2000; nor do I receive any aid or pension from any other State, or from the United States, or from any other source, and I do further state that the answers given to the following questions are true:

1. What is your age? 80 years.
2. Where were you born? Alcorn County, Mississippi.
3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? Since 1895.- 32 years.
4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? Since 1897 - 30 years.
5. What is your postoffice address? Route #4, Kilgore, Texas.
6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law and been rejected? No.
 If rejected, state when and where.
7. Did your husband draw a pension? No. If so, give his file number.
8. What is your husband's full name? John Franklin Harris.
9. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? Mississippi
10. How long did your husband serve? 4 years. If known to you, give date of enlistment and discharge
11. What was the name or letter of the company, or number of the regiment in which your husband served? If he was transferred from one branch of service to another, give time of transfer, description of command and time of service, (If applicant's husband was a pensioner give his file number, which is evidence sufficient for proof of service.) Company A, 26th Mississippi Regiment.

12. Name branch of service in which your husband served, whether infantry, cavalry, artillery, or the navy, or if commissioned as an officer by the President, his rank and line of duty, or if detailed for special service, under the law of conscription, the nature of such service, and time of service. Infantry Private.

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13. Do you own any property other than that rendered for taxes in your county? If so, state value of same and county where located. No.

14. Have you transferred to another any property of any kind for the purpose of becoming a beneficiary under this law? No.

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

(Signature of Applicant) Ellen Harris

Sworn to and subscribed before me this March day of March, A. D. 1927.

[Signature]
 County Judge Gregg County, Texas.

[Seal.]

*Where applicant has remarried it is necessary that she state facts covering particulars of last marriage, date, to whom married, and date of last husband's death. She must also state that she is now a widow.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Gregg.

Before me, D.S. Meredith, Jr., County Judge of Gregg County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared Roy H. Laird, and W.L. Laird,

who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know that Mrs. Ellen Harris,

applicant for a pension as the widow of John Franklin Harris,

deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of John Farnklin Harris, deceased; that they personally

know that she has not remarried since the death of her husband, for whose services in the army she claims

a pension, and that they have no interest in this claim.*

(Signature of Witness) Roy H. Laird

(Signature of Witness) W. L. Laird

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 25th, day of March, A. D. 1927.

[Seal.] County Judge Gregg County, Texas.

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State of Texas, on this day personally appeared Roy H. Laird, and W.L. Laird,

who are personally known to me to be creditable citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know the above named applicant for

pension, and that they personally know that the said Mrs. Ellen Harris,

has been a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas since prior to January 1, A. D. 1910, and that they

have no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness) Roy H. Laird

(Signature of Witness) W. L. Laird

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 25th, day of March, A. D. 1927.

[Seal.] County Judge Gregg County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Gregg.

Before me, D.S. Meredith, Jr., County Judge of Gregg County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared Roy H. Laird, and W.L. Laird, who are personally known to me to be creditable citizens, who, being by me sworn, on oath state that they are personally acquainted with the foregoing applicant, and that the facts set forth and statements made in her application are correct and true, to the best of their knowledge and belief, and that they have no interest in this claim. And further make oath to the following facts touching the service of applicant's husband in the Confederate Army: (Witnesses must state fully the source of their knowledge of service of applicant's husband) We personally knew the said John Franklin Harris for more than 20 years before his death; that we have often heard him discuss the War between the States and The United States with our father and other former veterans of this war; that we believe from such reports that the said John Franklin Harris was a Veteran, and that, the facts set forth in this instrument are true.

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(Signature of Witness) Roy H. Laird
(Signature of Witness) W. L. Laird

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 25th day of March, A. D. 1927.

[Seal.] County Judge Gregg County, Texas.



CERTIFICATE OF STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR

I, Oscar Wood, State and County Assessor in the County of Gregg, State of Texas, do certify that Mrs. Ellen Harris, 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 None Dollars, and, in addition to homestead, of other property, real or personal, or both, of the value of None Dollars.

Given under my hand, this day of March A. D. 1927. Oscar Wood State and County Assessor.



Comptroller's Department
State of Texas
Austin

To the Adjutant General,
War Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

I have the honor to request the Military
record of John F Harris, who is
reported to have enlisted in Company A
Regiment 26th.

Mississippi Infantry

in service in the Confederate States Army.

Very respectfully,

S. H. Gurrell

Comptroller of State of Texas.

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Address: "The Adjutant General,
War Department, Washington, D. C."

**WAR DEPARTMENT,
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
WASHINGTON, April 8, 1927.**

Respectfully returned to

Comptroller,
State of Texas,
Austin, Texas.

The records show that a statement of service in the case of John F. Harris, Co. A, 26th. Miss. Inf., C.S.A., was furnished the Comptroller State of Texas, under date of July 12, 1917.

Robert C. Davis,
Major General,
The Adjutant General.
By *Ze.*

APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

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COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE

County of Gregg I, John F Harris

do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late Mrs Ellen Harris, who was a pensioner of the State of Texas, and whose file number was 42893 and whose original county was Gregg

The said pensioner Mrs Ellen Harris, died on the 15 day of December, 1936, in the town of Kilgore

County of Gregg, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of John F Harris who was related to the pensioner as Step-Son

That the warrant, which application is hereby made for, shall be applied to paying all or part of the funeral expenses incurred by the said pensioner Mrs Ellen Harris

I further certify that the warrant for the current month has not been cashed by the pensioner, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I am related to the pensioner as Step-Son

that my postoffice address is R.R.#2 Kilgore Texas

Street or R. F. D.

Kilgore

City

Texas

State

Signed John F Harris

Sworn to before me this 2nd day of January, 1937

Notary Public in and for Gregg State of Texas.

Must return before 40 days expires from date of Pensioners' death

CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, W. F. Rigby, do certify that I am undertaker in the town of Kilgore, County of Gregg, State of Texas that I had charge of the body of Mrs Ellen Harris, who died in the town of Kilgore, County of Gregg, State of Texas on the 15th day of December 1936. That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 15th day of December 1936, and that I am of the opinion that warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said John F. Harris who makes the foregoing application.

(TX)

Signed W. F. Rigby Undertaker.

CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, Daniel Curtis Summers, do certify that I am a practicing physician, and that I attended Mrs. Ellen Harris in her last illness, and am of the opinion that his ailments were

Fracture of right femur at junction of neck and shaft.

I further certify that I am of the opinion that the Mortuary Warrant above requested should be issued in the name of the aforementioned applicant, in accordance with Act passed by the Thirty-eighth Legislature and approved March 2, 1923.

Signed Daniel Curtis Summers

Physician's Address Kilgore, Tex.

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Dec. 29, 1936