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FORM NO. 1-AMENDED.

OCTOBER 1, 1902.

Confederate Pension Application.

Name of Applicant.

J. W. Robertson  
Wallace County,

Post Office Field's Store

Comptroller's File No. 11285

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 day SEP 27 1905

A. D. J. A. Bolmes  
Chief Pension Clerk.

I hereby the within application for pension, this SEP 27 1905 day of

A. D. J. W. Stephens  
Comptroller

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

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NOTE—The law provides that pensions can begin only on the first day of April and October of each year.

FORM No. 1. Amended October 1, 1902.

APPLICATION of Indigent Soldier or Sailor of the late Confederacy for pension under the Act of May 12, 1899. Hereafter use no other blank but this.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Waller

To the Honorable County Judge of Waller County, Texas.

Your petitioner, J. W. Robertson respectfully represents that he is a resident citizen of Waller 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 Jesse W. Robertson
- Q. What is your age? Answer Eighty two years
- Q. In what County do you reside? Answer Waller
- Q. How long have you resided in said County and what is your post office address? Answer About 18 years. P. O. Fields Store
- 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 Not able to engage in any
- Q. What is your physical condition? Answer Debilitated + Kidney disease
- 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 Old age, &c
- Q. In what State was your command originally organized? Answer Texas
- Q. How long did you serve? Give date of enlistment and discharge. Answer 4 years - Enlisted in 1861 as well as I remember, served to close of war -
- Q. What was the name or letter of your company and name or number of your regiment? Answer Co. D, Walls Texas Legion also Bradfords regiment
- Q. State whether you served in the infantry, artillery, cavalry, or the navy. Answer Both Infantry + Cavalry
- 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 11.3 acres land in Waller County worth about \$2 per acre. Brings in no revenue whatever - not fenced + cannot be rented -



- 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 No
- Q. What estate has your wife in her own right, real and personal, and what is its value? Answer no married
- 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 yes
- Q. Are you unable by your labor to earn a support? Answer yes
- 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, 1880, a bona fide resident citizen of this State? Answer yes
- Q. If you originally enlisted in the Confederate service from the State of Texas, were you at the date of the passage of this act a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas? Answer yes

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

(Signature of Applicant) J. M. Robertson

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of January A. D. 1903

(SEAL)

County Judge Waller County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES.

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Waller

Before me J. D. Harney

County Judge of Waller County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared J. M. Milam and

who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who being by me duly sworn on oath, state that they personally know Jesse W. Robertson the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said Jesse W. Robertson is unable to support himself by labor of any sort.

(Signature of Witness) J. M. Milam

(Signature of Witness) A. M. Campbell

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May A. D. 1903

(SEAL)

County Judge Waller County, Texas.

PROOF OF SERVICE MUST NOT BE MADE A PART OF THIS AFFIDAVIT.



AFFIDAVIT OF PHYSICIAN.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Waller }  
County Judge of Waller County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared J.D. Harney

Frank Jahn, 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 Jesse W. Robertson 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:

Rheumatism with Kidney and Heart trouble

(Signature of Physician) Frank Jahn M.D.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 3rd day of May A. D. 1905

(SEAL)

J.D. Harney  
County Judge Waller County, State of Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY JUDGE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Waller }  
County Judge of Waller County, State of Texas, do hereby certify that on the 10th day of May A. D. 1905, before me came on to be heard the application

of Jesse W. Robertson 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 Frank Jahn

who is a reputable practicing physician of this county, was made before me. I also certify that the said applicant Jesse W. Robertson, is not an inmate of the Texas Confederate Home, nor otherwise disqualified under the provis'ion 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 Jesse W. Robertson 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 Hempstead this 10th day of May A. D. 1905

(SEAL)

J.D. Harney  
County Judge Waller County, State of Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Waller }  
Waller County, Texas, hereby certify that the foregoing application of Jesse W. Robertson for a pension, together with the proof in support thereof, was duly submitted by Hon. J.D. Harney County Judge of this Waller County, to the Commissioners of this Waller County, at a regular term thereof on the 10th day of May A. D. 1905, and after a careful consideration of the same we find the said applicant is 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 Hempstead this 10th day of May A. D. 1905

(SEAL)

(Signature of Commissioners)

C. E. Ford  
W. C. Stiles  
J. H. Brown  
J. S. Kellum





Comptroller's Department

State of Texas

Austin

August 17, 1905

J. W. STEPHENS, COMPTROLLER  
JOHN T. SMITH, CHIEF CLERK

To the Military Secretary,  
War Department,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to request the military record of  
Jesse W. Robertson who is reported to have enlisted in  
Company D, Regiment, Wauke Texas Legion  
in the service of the Confederate States army.

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



Very respectfully,

J. W. Stephens  
Comptroller.

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WAR DEPARTMENT

Austin, Tex.  
Aug. 17, 1905.

Jesse W. Robertson,  
Co. D. Waul's Tex. Legion  
C.S.A.

J. W. Stephens  
Comptroller State of Texas;  
Requests military record of  
above named.

Address: "The Military Secretary,  
War Department, Washington, D. C."

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WAR DEPARTMENT,

THE MILITARY SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

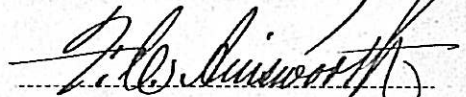
WASHINGTON, August 23, 1905.

Respectfully returned to

The Comptroller,  
State of Texas,  
Austin.

The name Jesse W. Robertson has not been found on the rolls of Company D, Waul's Texas Legion, C.S.A., on file in this Department.

The records show, however, that one J.W. Robertson of Company A, Waul's Legion, Texas Infantry, C.S.A., enlisted August 22, 1864, at Galveston, Texas, and that he was transferred from Bradford's Regiment, C.S.A. No rolls of any company of Bradford's regiment are on file in this Department; nor has anything further been found relative to J.W. Robertson.



(U.S.O. 72-1)

Per *mde*

The Military Secretary.



Deposition in Pension Claim  
 Ex Parte  
 J. W. Robertson of  
 Waller Co Tex  
 Applicant for Confederate Pension

In Re applicant for  
 Confederate Pension  
 under act May 12/1899  
 Pending in County Commission  
 Court of Waller County,  
 Texas, before the  
 Hon County Judge  
 of said County

Answers and depositions of J. M. Purvis of  
 Harris County Texas, to the accompanying  
 interrogatories 127 and Cross Interrogatories  
 propounded to him in the above entitled cause  
 taken before J. B. Garnett Sanders a Notary  
 Public in and for Waller County Texas in  
 accordance with the accompanying 5<sup>th</sup> agreement

To the first interrogatory the said J. M. Purvis  
 witness answers, J. M. Purvis; Age 61 years - Waller Texas

To 2<sup>nd</sup> Int. - witness answers - yes

To 3<sup>rd</sup> Int. - witness answers - about 40 years  
 - about 1864 AD. In the Confederate Army -

To the 4<sup>th</sup> Int, witness answers - I do not  
 know that he enlisted - I know he perform  
 the duties of a soldier -

To the 5<sup>th</sup> Int. witness answers

I do not know in what company he enlisted.

He served in Bradley's Company; Simmons  
 Regiment; Waller Legion - In about 1864<sup>AD</sup>  
 - Galveston Island - I do not know how long  
 he served -

To 6<sup>th</sup> Witness answers - I know he IX  
 unable to labor - To old and feeble.

Answers to Cross examinations

To the First - witness answers - I was in service with him at Galveston Island, Mud Island and along the Gulf coast - I do not know any other Jesse W Robertson who served in this same company or Regiment -

2<sup>nd</sup> Cross Int witness answers -

I am positively certain.

3<sup>rd</sup> Cross Int. witness answers - I have

seen him and can tell the infirmities very plainly - I have some knowledge of the physical body and am aware of his conditions - No conjecture -

4<sup>th</sup> Cross Int. witness answers: If

the said Jesse W Robertson ever deserted I do not know it nor have heard of it

J. M. Purvis  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18<sup>th</sup>  
day of January AD 1905

Garnett Sanders Notary Public, Waller Co Texas

State of Texas }  
County of Waller }

I, Garnett Sanders Notary Public do hereby certify that J. M. Purvis is personally known to me to be a creditable citizen of Harris County Texas and that the foregoing answers of J. M. Purvis the witness before named, whose name appears signed to the foregoing deposition were made before me and were sworn to and subscribed before me by said witness given under my hand and official seal this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of January AD 1905

Garnett Sanders  
Notary Public  
Dist of Waller Co Tex



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*Louis G. Robertson*

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this *7<sup>th</sup>* day of *January* 190*5*

*H. D. Bonbright Notary*  
*Public Harris Co. Texas*

THE STATE OF TEXAS, )

County of *Harris* )  
*Public*

I, *H. D. Bonbright Notary*  
(Here give name and official character of officer before whom taken.)

do hereby certify that *L. G. Robertson*  
and ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ *is* are personally known to me to be credible citizens of said  
County and State, and that the foregoing answers of *L. G. Robertson*

\_\_\_\_\_ the witness \_\_\_\_\_ before named, and \_\_\_\_\_

whose name \_\_\_\_\_ appear *s* signed to the foregoing deposition, were made before me,  
and were sworn to and subscribed before me, by said witness (4) \_\_\_\_\_

Given under my hand and official seal, this the *7<sup>th</sup>* day of *January* 190*5*

(L. S.)

*H. D. Bonbright Notary*  
*Public in and for Harris Co. Texas*

NOTE.—In Texas, any Clerk of the District Court, any Judge and Clerk of the County Court, or any Notary Public or Justice of the Peace, within their respective Counties, are authorized to take depositions.  
Out of the State and within the United States—Any Clerk of a Court of record having a seal, any Notary Public, or any Commissioner of Deeds of Texas.

File No. ....

In the Commissioners Court

OF

*Mallen*  
Before the Honorable County Judge of Said County.  
*County, Texas.*

EX PARTE

*Louis G. Robertson*  
Applicant for Confederate Pension.

DEPOSITION

OF

*L. G. Robertson*  
*J. M. Rummie*  
Witness *ss.* for Applicant.

Filed the \_\_\_\_\_ day

of \_\_\_\_\_ 1 \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk.

By \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy.

Fee for Taking Deposition, \$ \_\_\_\_\_

EX PARTE

J. W. Robertson  
Applicant for Confederate Pension.

Pending in the Honorable Commissioners Court  
of Waller County, Texas,  
before the Honorable County Judge of said County.

The Honorable County Judge of Waller County, Texas,  
will please take notice that, five days after the service hereof, applicant herein will apply to the Clerk of the County Court of  
said County and State, for a commission to take the depositions of J. J. Robertson  
and J. M. Purvis who reside in the County of Harris in  
the State of Texas in answer to the following interrogatories and such cross-interrogatories as may be  
propounded by the County Judge of said County, which will be read in evidence upon the hearing of applicant's claim for pension  
in behalf of applicant; said testimony is material and indispensable to applicant in furnishing the required proof to his claim  
for a pension under the Act of May 12, 1899, the application for which is now pending before the Honorable County Judge, and  
the facts necessary and required to be proven under the provisions of said Act, applicant believes can not be proven by any  
witness residing in the County of Waller and State of Texas, of which he is a bona fide resident.

Keet M. Wade

(Applicant) Attorney for Applicant.

Direct Interrogatories to be propounded to the Witness es.

L. J. Robertson and J. M. Purvis

- INT. 1. What is your name? Age? Present place of residence and postoffice address?
- INT. 2. Do you personally know, or did you at any time know Jesse W. Robertson who is an applicant for pension under Act of May 12, 1899?
- INT. 3. How long have you known the said Jesse W. Robertson applicant for pension and when and where did you first know him?
- INT. 4. Do you personally know that the said Jesse W. Robertson applicant for pension enlisted in the service of the Confederacy, and performed the duties of a soldier or a sailor?
- INT. 5. Do you personally know in what company and regiment the said Jesse W. Robertson applicant, enlisted and served in the Confederate army? When? Where? And the time of service? If you personally knew and so have stated that he enlisted and served in the Confederate navy, then state: When? Where? And how long he so served?
- INT. 6. Do you further know that Jesse W. Robertson the said applicant for pension, is unable to support himself by labor of any sort?



CROSS INTERROGATORIES.

To be Propounded to L. J. Robertson + J. M. Purvis

CROSS INTERROGATORY 1. If, in answer to the foregoing direct interrogatories, you have stated that you personally know or did know said applicant, and that you know that he enlisted in the service of the Confederacy and performed the duties of a soldier or sailor, and having named the company and regiment in which applicant so enlisted and served, then please state fully what is your source of such knowledge? And state whether or not you know or at any you knew of any other soldier or sailor by the name of Jesse W. Robertson serving in the same company or regiment in which you say the said applicant Jesse W. Robertson enlisted or if you have stated that said applicant enlisted and served in the navy of the Confederacy, then state whether or not you know

any other sailor of the same name as said Jesse W Robertson applicant, serving in the same command?

If you say that you so knew other soldiers or sailors of the same name of applicant's, then can you and how do you identify and locate the one from the other or others?

Cross INT. 2. Are you positively certain that said Jesse W Robertson applicant for pension, is the identical person serving as testified by you?

Cross INT. 3. If you have answered Direct Interrogatory No. 6 in the affirmative, then please state your source of knowledge or information? Is not this your answer simply based on conjecture?

Cross INT. 4. Do you know whether or not the said Jesse W Robertson applicant for pension, ever deserted the service in the Confederate army or navy?

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THE STATE OF TEXAS, )  
County of Tarrant )

I, J. D. Harney, County Judge of said County, in said State, do hereby waive copy of Interrogatories, notice, time and issuance of commission, and it is hereby agreed that the answers to the hereinabove direct and cross interrogatories of the said herein named witness..... may be attached hereto.

J. D. Harney  
County Judge Tarrant County, Texas.  
Keit M. Dade  
(Applicant) Attorney..... for Applicant.

In Re  
Application for Confederate  
Pension.  
IN COMMISSIONERS COURT,  
Tarrant County, Texas,  
Pending before County Judge of said County.  
Ex Parte  
Jesse W Robertson  
Applicant.  
INTERROGATORIES  
PROPOUNDED TO  
J. W. Robertson &  
Wm. Purvis  
Witnesses.



EX PARTE

IN RE APPLICANT FOR CONFEDERATE PENSION

J. W. Robertson  
of Waller Co. Texas  
Applicant for Confederate Pension.

Under Act May 12, 1899, pending in County Commissioners Court of

Waller

County, Texas, before the Honorable County Judge of said County.

Answers and depositions of (1)

L. T. Robertson of Houston Heights  
Texas near Cor of 9<sup>th</sup> and Columbia Str

to the accompanying interrogatories (2)

and cross Interrogatories

propounded to him in the above entitled cause taken before (3)

J. F. D. Bouknight

Notary Public in and for Harris Co. Texas

in accordance with the accompanying (5)

Agreement

To the first interrogatory the said

L. T. Robertson

Witness, answers:

Louis T. Robertson. 58 years. Houston Heights  
Texas near Cor. of 9<sup>th</sup> and Columbia Str.

To 2<sup>nd</sup> Interrogatory Witness answers:

Yes

To 3<sup>rd</sup> Interrogatory Witness answers:

He being my father have known him all my life  
first met him in Robertson County Tennessee where  
I was born.

To 4<sup>th</sup> Interrogatory Witness answers:

Yes

To 5<sup>th</sup> Interrogatory Witness answers:

Yes in Company D. of Walls Texas Legion. In the  
year of 1861 in the month of February as best I can  
remember. Navarro County Texas. Served about 4  
years.

To 6<sup>th</sup> Interrogatory Witness answers:

I know that he is too old and feeble to support  
himself and has no income.

Answers to Cross Interrogatories

To 1<sup>st</sup> Cross Interrogatory Witness answers:

I was in service with him a greater portion of  
the time he was in service. I did not know of  
any other Jessie W. Robertson.

To 2<sup>nd</sup> Cross Interrogatory Witness answers:

I am positively certain

To 3<sup>rd</sup> Cross Interrogatory Witness answers:

He being my father and I having been with him a  
great deal and intimate with his circumstances  
and in a position to know. My answer is not

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based on conjecture as I am familiar with  
his circumstances.

To 4<sup>th</sup> Cross Interrogatory Witness Answers:  
He did not.

