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FORM No. 2.

3271

CONFEDERATE PENSION APPLICATION.

Name of Applicant,

Sarah J. Pruitt  
County.

Post Office,

Centralia, Tex.

Comptroller's File No.

294008

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

I recommend that the application be

Disapproved

this

11 day of Oct

A. D.

1899

Wm. J. Wain  
Pension Clerk.

I hereby disapprove the within application for pension, this

Oct. 11 day of

A. D.

1899

W. J. Studley  
Comptroller.

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



CONFEDERATE OF COUNTY JUDGE

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS, }

COUNTY OF Trinity }

To the Honorable County Judge of Trinity County, Texas.

Your petitioner, Mrs. Sarah Jane Bennett respectfully represents that she is a resident citizen of Trinity County, in the State of Texas; that she is the widow of Richard Chris Bennett, deceased, who was a Confederate soldier (or sailor), and that she makes this application for the purpose of obtaining a pension as the widow of said Richard Chris Bennett, deceased, 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 Sarah Jane Bennett
- Q. What is your age? Answer Sixty years last April
- Q. In what County do you reside? Answer Trinity County Texas
- Q. How long have you resided in said County and what is your post office address? Answer about 38 years. My P.O. is Centrolia Texas
- 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 one
- Q. What is your physical condition? Answer impaird very much, suffers greatly from rheumatism
- Q. What was the name of your deceased husband? Answer Richard Chris Bennett
- Q. Were you married to him anterior to March 1, 1866? If so, on what date were you married to him and where? Answer yes in Dec 1860. in Trinity County Texas
- Q. What was the date of his death? Answer January 15<sup>th</sup> 1895
- Q. Are you unmarried, and have you so remained unmarried since the death of your said husband for whose services you claim a pension? Answer yes
- Q. State in what company and regiment your deceased husband for whose services you claim a pension enlisted in the Confederate Army, and the time of his service therein? Answer Capt. Ballinger's Co. M. R.E. Linn Army from May 1862 to May 1865
- Q. If your deceased husband served in the Confederate Navy, state when and where, and the time of such 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 so received.

Answer I think my husband rec<sup>d</sup> a land Certificate, but did not realize anything from it ~~but~~ scarcely, think he sold it some<sup>one</sup> for a very paltry sum

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, 160 acres my homestead worth \$160.00 about 15 to 20 acres in cultivation, takes about all the money to keep it in repair, - one horse \$25.00 about 5 head of Cattle worth \$50.00 6 hogs worth \$5.00

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, two or three yearling \$20.00 & 1 cow or calf \$15.00

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 your deceased husband for whose services you claim a pension ever desert the Confederacy? Answer, no

Q. Have you been continuously since the first day of ~~January~~ <sup>April</sup>, 1880, a bona fide resident citizen of this State? Answer, yes

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

(Signature of Applicant) Sarah Jane Burnett

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 17 day of July A. D. 1899

(SEAL)

C. J. Hinson  
Trinity County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES.

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Trinity

Before me, C. J. Hinson

County Judge of Trinity County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared

W. J. White and J. A. White

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. Sarah Jane Burnett, applicant for a pension as the widow of

Richard O. Burnett, deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of the said

Richard O. Burnett, deceased; that they personally know that the said

Richard O. Burnett, deceased, enlisted in the service of the Confederacy, and

performed the duties of a soldier (or sailor) as claimed by his said widow in the above and foregoing application, and that they further

state that the said Mrs. Sarah Jane Burnett, applicant for a pension as the widow of

Richard O. Burnett, deceased, is unable to support herself by labor of any sort.

(Signature of Witness) W. J. White

(Signature of Witness) J. A. White

(Signature of Witness)

(Signature of Witness)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20 day of July A. D. 1899

(SEAL)

C. J. Hinson  
Trinity County, Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY JUDGE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Trinity

I, C. J. Hinson

County Judge of Trinity County, State of Texas, do hereby certify that on the 18

day of August A. D. 1899, before me came on to be heard the application of

Mrs. S. J. Bennett widow of R. Q. Bennett

deceased, 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. I also certify that the said applicant S. J. Bennett

is not disqualified under any of the provisions of Section 12, of the Confederate Pension Law. I further certify that after considering all of the proceedings had before me relative to the said application for a pension by the said Mrs. S. J. Bennett

as widow of R. Q. Bennett deceased, I find the said applicant is lawfully entitled to the pension provided for by the Confederate Pension Law of this State, and I hereby approve said application.

Witness my hand and seal of office at Groveton this 18

day of August A. D. 1899

C. J. Hinson  
County Judge Trinity County, State of Texas.

(SEAL)

CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF Trinity

We, the undersigned members of the Commissioners Court of

Trinity County, Texas, hereby certify that the foregoing application of Mrs. S. J. Bennett

widow of R. Q. Bennett deceased, for a pension,

together with the proof in support thereof, was duly submitted by Hon. C. J. Hinson

County Judge of this Trinity County, to the Commissioners Court of this Trinity

County, at a regular term thereof on the 18 day of August A. D. 1899, 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

this State, and we hereby approve said application.

Witness our hands and seal of office at Groveton this 18

day of August A. D. 1899

(Signatures of Commissioners.)

J. F. Heath  
S. A. Brannan  
J. H. Friday  
M. P. White



(SEAL)



The State of Texas } Before me C. J. Huisson Co Judge  
County of Trinity } of Trinity County Texas on this  
day personally appeared ~~J. W. Pruitt~~ J. W. Pruitt  
who is personally known to me to be a credible  
citizen who being by me duly sworn on his oath  
states that he personally knows Sarah Jane  
Brenitt the above named applicant for a  
passion and that he personally knows  
that she the said applicant is unable to support  
herself by labor of any sort,  
J. W. Pruitt

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3<sup>rd</sup> day  
of August 1899

C. J. Huisson Co. Judge  
Trinity County Texas

