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FORM A

Soldier's Application for Pension

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

Name of Applicant.

*P. W. Christian*

*Shelby* County.

Postoffice *Genard, Texas*

Filed

FEB 28 1910

Approved

Pension allowed from

Rejected

Commissioner of Pensions.

and true, to the best of their knowledge and belief, and that they have no interest in this claim, and said applicant's habits are good and free from dishonor. And Thos J Clements further make oath to the following facts touching the applicant's service in the Confederate Army:

That he personally knows that P W Christian enlisted in the service of the Confederacy and performed the duties of a soldier. That he personally knows that the said P W Christian enlisted in Co "C" 29<sup>th</sup> Ga Battalion Cavalry and served until captured at or near Savannah Ga on 12<sup>th</sup> day of December 1864. And lay in prison until August 1865. <sup>MT</sup> Enlisted in July 1861. 12 months vol served the time out, and re-enlisted for the war and served as above stated

This is my personal knowledge having served in Co "C" 29<sup>th</sup> Ga vol with the said P W Christian

(Signature of Witness) Thos J Clements

(Signature of Witness)

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of October, A. D. 1909

W. D. White

County Judge Shelby County, Texas.

[SEAL]



CERTIFICATE OF THE STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR

I, Blain Woods, State and County Assessor in the County of Shelby State of Texas, do certify that P. W. Christian 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-first Legislature, approved March 26, A. D. 1909, is charged on the land and personal property rolls of said county with estate, real, personal and mixed, at the assessed value of six hundred thirty dollars.

Given under my hand, this 16 day of August, A. D. 1909

Blain Woods

State and County Assessor.

## For Use of Soldiers, Who are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of Shelby }

I, O. W. Christian, do hereby make application to the Commissioner of Pensions for a pension to be granted me under the Act passed by the Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Texas, and approved March 26, A. D. 1909, 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; that I was honorably discharged or surrendered I was captured Dec. 13, 1864. near Savannah Georgia.

(Give date and cause.)

that I have been a bona fide citizen of this State since prior to January 1, A. D. 1880, 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 in salary or fees one hundred and fifty dollars per annum, nor have I an income from any other employment or other source whatever which amounts to one hundred and fifty dollars per annum, nor do I receive from any source whatever money or other means of support amounting in value to the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars 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; 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:

- (TX)
1. What is your age? 71 years
  2. Where were you born? Chatahoochee Co. Ga.
  3. How long have you resided in Texas? since 1871
  4. In what county do you reside? Shelby
  5. How long have you resided in said county and what is your postoffice address since, 1874  
Jerome, Tex.
  6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law and been rejected? If rejected, state when and where no
  7. What is your occupation, if able to engage in one? Farming
  8. In what State was the command in which you served organized? Georgia
  9. How long did you serve? Give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge, enlisted sometime in July 1862, and discharged, Dec 1, 1864
  10. What was the letter of your company, number or name of battalion, regiment or battery?  
Co "C," 29th Georgia Battalion, Cavalry
  11. If transferred from one command to another, give time of transfer, name of command and time of service.  
not as transferred.
  12. What branch of the service did you enlist in—infantry, cavalry, artillery or navy?  
Cavalry

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

*Not as 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.

*Not as detailed*

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

*Yes*

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

(Signature of Applicant)

*P. W. Christian*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *23* day of *August*, A. D. 19*09*

*W. D. White*

County Judge *Shelby* County, Texas.

[SEAL]

### AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

[NOTE—There must be at least two credible witnesses.]

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of *Shelby* }

Before me *W. D. White*, County Judge of *Shelby* County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *W. W. Duke & C. D. Bryan* who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know *P. W. Christian* the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said *P. W. Christian* has been a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas since prior to January 1, A. D. 1880, and that they have no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness)

*W. W. Duke*

(Signature of Witness)

*C. D. Bryan*

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *29* day of *August*, A. D. 19*09*

*W. D. White*

County Judge *Shelby* 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 *Shelby* }

Before me *W. D. White*, County Judge of *Shelby* County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *Thos. J. Clements* who ~~are~~ personally known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by me sworn, on oath state that they ~~are~~ <sup>he is</sup> personally acquainted with the foregoing applicant, and that the facts set forth and statements made in his application are correct



E. A. BOLMES, Commissioner

OFFICE OF  
**Commissioner of Pensions**  
 State of Texas  
 Austin

FEB 21 1910

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

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to request the military record  
 of F. W. Christiani who is reported to have enlisted in  
 Company C, Regiment 29th Battalion Georgia Cavalry  
 in the service of the Confederate States Army.

(TX)

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,

E. A. Bolmes

Commissioner of Pensions.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

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

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**WAR DEPARTMENT,**

**THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,**

**WASHINGTON. Feby. 26, 1910.**

*Respectfully returned to the*

Commissioner of Pensions,

State of Texas, Austin.

The records show that P. W. Christian, private, Company E, (not found as of Company C), 29th Battalion Georgia Cavalry, Confederate States Army, enlisted July 29, 1863; that he was captured December 12, 1864, near Savannah, Georgia, and was released June 10, 1865, at Point Lookout, Maryland, on taking the oath of allegiance.

The Adjutant General.

Answer to Cross Interrogatories  
1st I served in 1st Cav  
with Pvt. Christian in said  
Army did not know any other  
Pvt. Christian

2nd Yes I do

3rd Yes he did

4th No he did not

~~Answer to Interrogatories to Subscribed to Report  
July Sept 1st 1909  
at Woodland  
N.D. by J. J. Patterson~~



Witness, Cyrie Lewis  
J. J. Patterson  
(Seal)

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 1 day of Sept, 1909



L. C. Woodward  
Notary Public

THE STATE OF Georgia  
County of Spalding  
Ex officio N. P.

I, L. C. Woodward, J. P.  
(Here give name and official character of officer before whom taken.)

do hereby certify that J. J. Patterson  
and \_\_\_\_\_ are personally known to me to be credible citizens of said  
County and State, and that the foregoing answers of J. J. Patterson  
the witness before named, and

whose name appears signed to the foregoing deposition, were made before me  
and were sworn to and subscribed before me, by said witness (4) J. J. Patterson

Given under my hand and official seal, this the 1 day of September, 1909

(L. S.) (Seal) Cyrie Lewis  
L. C. Woodward  
Ex officio N. P.

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 Shelley County, Texas,  
Before the Honorable County Judge of said County.

EX PARTE

D. M. Christman  
Applicant for Confederate Pension

DEPOSITION  
OF

J. J. Patterson

Witness for Applicant

Filed \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_ 190  
Clerk.  
By \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy.

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



EX PARTE

IN RE APPLICANT FOR CONFEDERATE PENSION

Under Act March 26, 1909, pending

In Shelby

P. W. Christian

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

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

Answers and depositions of (1)

J. J. Patterson, of  
Troup County Georgia

to the accompanying interrogations (2)

and cross interrogatories

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

in accordance with the accompanying (7)

agreements

To the first interrogatory the said

J. J. Patterson

Witness, answers

Answer

1<sup>st</sup> Direct Interrogatory  
John J. Patterson age 65 - Monroville Ga

age 65 - Monroville Ga

2<sup>nd</sup> yes

3<sup>rd</sup> 45 years in Milledgeville, Co. Ga

4<sup>th</sup> yes

5<sup>th</sup> yes in 1863 in Bainbridge Ga I think  
and served in Co. "E" 2<sup>d</sup> Regt La. Partisans  
and served to the close of the war is my best  
recollection

(TX)

6<sup>th</sup> was a Private and served as Private  
sergeant until the close of the war

EX PARTE

P. W. Christian  
Applicant for Confederate Pension.

Pending in Shelby County,  
Texas, before the Honorable County Judge of said  
County.

The Honorable County Judge of Shelby 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. Patterson  
and Inaups who resides in the County  
of Inaups in the State of Georgia 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 bearing of applicant's claim for pension in behalf of applicant; said testimony is material and indispensable  
to applicant in furnishing the required proof of <sup>his</sup> claim for a pension under the Act of March 26, 1909, the applica-  
tion 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 proved by any witness residing in the County of  
Shelby and State of Texas, of which <sup>he</sup> is a bona fide resident.

P. W. Christian  
(Applicant) Attorney for Applicant.

Direct Interrogatories to be Propounded to the Witness

J. J. Patterson

- 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 P. W. Christian who  
is an applicant for pension under Act of March 26, 1909?  
INT. 3. How long had you known the said P. W. Christian  
and when and where did you first know him?  
INT. 4. Do you personally know that the said P. W. Christian  
enlisted in the service of the Confederacy, and performed the duties of a soldier or sailor?  
INT. 5. Do you personally know in what company and regiment the said P. W. Christian  
enlisted and served in the Confederate army? When? Where? And the time of service? If you person-  
ally 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 personally know that P. W. Christian  
was commissioned as an officer directly by the President of the Confederate States? What was his rank and  
line of duty?  
INT. 7. Do you further know if P. W. Christian was, under the  
provisions of the conscript law, detailed for any kind of special service in the field, shops, armories, etc., of  
the Confederacy? What was the nature of his service, and how long did he serve?

CROSS INTERROGATORIES.

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To be Propounded to

J. J. Patterson

CROSS INTERROGATORY 1. If, in answer to the foregoing direct interrogatories, you have stated that you personally  
know or did know said P. W. Christian 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, or special  
service in which P. W. Christian 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 time you knew of any other soldier or  
sailor by the name of P. W. Christian serving in the same company or regiment, or special  
service in which you say the said P. W. Christian enlisted, if you have stated that said  
P. W. Christian enlisted and served in the navy of the Confederacy, then state whether or

not you know any other soldier or sailor of the same name as said P. W. Christian applicant serving in the same command, or the special service to which he was assigned?

If you say that you so know other soldiers or sailors of the same name of P. W. Christian 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 P. W. Christian is the identical person serving as testified by you?

Cross INT. 3. Do you know whether or not the said P. W. Christian served honorably from the date of his enlistment until the close of the late Civil War between the States, or until he was discharged from said company and regiment, or the special service to which he had been assigned?

Cross INT. 4. Do you know whether or not the said P. W. Christian deserted his command, or voluntarily abandoned his post of duty or the service during said war?

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Shelby,  
I, W. D. White, 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 et al may be attached hereto.

W. D. White  
County Judge Shelby County, Texas  
P. W. Christian  
(Applicant)-Attorney for Applicant.

In Re  
**Application for Confederate Pension.**

FOR USE OF SOLDIERS OR WIDOWS.

Shelby County, Texas.  
Pending before the County Judge of said County.

EX PARTE

P. W. Christian  
Applicant, I

INTERROGATORIES

propounded by  
J. G. Thornton

Witnesses.