Civil War Confederate pension application of
B. G. Rainwater, widow of John

Texas Rolls, #07589
dated 7 Jul 1900 and 24 Oct 1919
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CONFEDERATE PENSION APPLICATION.

Name of Applicant:
MRS. J. J. Rainwater

County:

Post Office:

Comptroller's File No. 7589

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

this 21st day of A.D. 1870

Pension Clerk.

I hereby approve the within application for pension, this 20th day of SEP 1870 A.D.

Comptroller.

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

To the Honorable County Judge of County, Texas.

Your petitioner, Mrs. B. J. Rainwater respectfully represents that she is a resident citizen of Jason County, in the State of Texas, that she is the widow of John Rainwater 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 John Rainwater 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. B. J. Rainwater.
Q. What is your age? Answer. 62 years.
Q. In what County do you reside? Answer. Jason.
Q. How long have you resided in said County and what is your post office address? Answer. Resided in Jason County 3 years Post Office Honey Grove.
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. More.
Q. What is your physical condition? Answer. Very feeble.
Q. What was the name of your deceased husband? Answer. John Rainwater.
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 Hildale County, Georgia—Jany. 1860.
Q. What was the date of his death? Answer. June 19, 1840.
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: Alexander Mascheron

Co. 40 Georgia

Q. If your deceased husband served in the Confederate navy, state when and where, and the time of such service?

Answer: Was not in the Confederate navy

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: 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: None

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: 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: None

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 March, 1880, a bona fide resident citizen of this State? Answer: Yes

Therefore 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) [Signature]

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 27th day of July, A. D. 1907.

[Signature]

County Judge

County, Texas.
THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF... 

Before me, W. A. Evans

County Judge of... 

On this day personally appeared

B. A. James, E. F. James

who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by the duly sworn on oath, state that they personally know that Mrs. Z. H. Rainwater, applicant for a pension as the widow of John Rainwater, deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of the said John Rainwater, deceased, enlisted in the service of the Confederate army 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 know that the said Mrs. Z. H. Rainwater, widow of the said John Rainwater, deceased, is unable to support herself by labor of any sort.

(Signature of Witness)
B. A. James

(Signature of Witness)
E. F. James

(Signature of Witness)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 27th day of July, A.D. 1928.

W. A. Evans

County Judge

County, Texas

#1023
Answers and depositions of John Murdock, and Rory Murdock, of Farmerville, Calhoun County,This is the accompanying interrogatories propounded to them in said Equal Taxed before Mr. Aikre, a Notary Public in and for Calhoun County, La., in accordance with the accompanying Commission.

Answers of the witnesses, John Murdock,
My name is John Marshall. My age thirty years.
I am acquainted with Mrs. B. J. Ransome — she was the wife of John Marshall, deceased.
I was acquainted with John Ransome — he is now dead.
I know that he did serve in the Confederate army.
He enlisted in Georgia in 1862.
He served in the 1st Georgia Regiment.
He served three years.
He did perform the duties of a soldier.
I never did hear.

[Signature]

The State of Texas,
County of Cass

[Signature]

#1023
CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY JUDGE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of: Janny

County Judge of: Janny

I, W. A. Evans, County, State of Texas, do hereby certify that on the 17th day of August, A. D. 1900, before me came on to be heard the application of Mrs. B. G. Rainwater, widow of John Rainwater, 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, Mrs. B. G. Rainwater, 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. B. G. Rainwater, as widow of John Rainwater, 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: Bonham, Texas, this 17th day of August, A. D. 1900.

W. A. Evans

County Judge: Janny

County, State of Texas.
CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF ____________

COUNTY OF ____________

We, the undersigned members of the Commissioners Court of ____________ County, Texas, hereby certify that the foregoing application of Mrs. ____________ Rainwater, widow of ____________ Rainwater, deceased, for a pension together with the proof in support thereof, was duly submitted by Hon. ____________ A. Evans, County Judge of this ____________ County, to the Commissioners Court of this ____________ County, at a regular term thereof on the ____________ day of ____________ Aug., A. D. 1907, 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 ____________ this ____________ day of ____________ Aug., A. D. 1906.

(Signatures of Commissioners.)
APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

STATE OF TEXAS,

County of San Patricio, I, S. Rainwater do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late Mrs. B. G. Rainwater, who was a pensioner of the State of Texas, and whose file number is 7569 and whose original county is Fannin.

The said pensioner Mrs. B. G. Rainwater died on the 24th day of October, 1919, in the town of Aransas Pass, County of San Patricio, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of S. Rainwater, who was related to the pensioner as a son.

That the warrant which application is hereby made for shall be applied to paying all or part of the expenses incurred by the said pensioner.

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

I am related to the pensioner as (Son) S. Rainwater, and that my home is in the town of Aransas Pass, County of San Patricio, State of Texas, that my postoffice address is Aransas Pass, San Patricio County, Tex. Box # 344.

Signed S. Rainwater.

(Signature)

Before me W. H. Emery, a Notary Public in and for the County of San Patricio, State of Texas, personally appeared S. Rainwater, who being by me duly sworn did testify to and sign the foregoing statement.

(Signature)

CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, J. E. Lindsey, do certify that I am an undertaker in the town of Aransas Pass, County of San Patricio, State of Texas, that I had charge of the body of Mrs. B. G. Rainwater, who died in the town of Aransas Pass, County of San Patricio, State of Texas on the 24th day of October, 1919. That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 24th day of October, 1919. That said body was buried in the Prairie View Cemetery, which is located in the County of San Patricio, which is the opinion that warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said S. Rainwater, who makes the foregoing application.

Signed J. E. Lindsey

Undertaker.
CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, [Name], do certify that I am a practicing physician and that I attended [Name of Patient] in his last illness, and am of the opinion that his ailments were organic in  nature.

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-fifth Legislature, and approved 1917.

Signed [Name]  
Physician.

Physician's Address [Location]  

#1023
Aransas Pass, Texas, 1854

To the Comptroller,

State of Texas,

Austin,

Dear Sir: On the 24th with my mother,

(Mrs. B. S. Rainwater) who is, a pensioner
under the state laws, died.

I have now kindly assume the step to
what steps it will be necessary for
me to take, in order to clear your
record & obtain as much relief from
the state as I am entitled to.

Awaiting your reply & directions, I have
the honor to remain,

Yours very respectfully,

S. Rainwater

Box 344

#1023
Bargilla G. Rainwater, widow of John, 1900, Texas

State of Texas, County of Fannin

Your petitioner, Mrs. B. G. Rainwater, respectfully represents that she is a resident citizen of Fannin County, in the State of Texas, that she is the widow of John Rainwater, deceased, who was a Confederate soldier (or sailor) and that she makes this application for the purposes of obtaining a pension as the widow of said John Rainwater . . . [remainder of paragraph omitted]

What is your name? B. G. Rainwater
What is your age? 62 years
In what county do you reside?
How long have you lived in this county and what is your post office address? Resided in Fannin County 3 years, post office Honey Grove
Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate Pension Law heretofore and been rejected? No
What is your occupation? None
What is your physical condition? Very feeble
What was the name of your deceased husband? John Rainwater
On what date were you married to him and where? In Haralson County Georgia - January 1860
What was the date of his death? June 19 1890
Are you unmarried and have you remained so unmarried since the death of your said husband? Yes
State in what company and regiment your deceased husband enlisted in the Confederate army and the time of service therein?
In Alexander Marchison’s [surname unclear] Co, 40th Georgia
If your deceased husband served in the Confederate navy, state when and where and the time of service?
Signed [unreadable] East side of the Mississippi, removed from [unreadable] 1862 [unreadable].
Remainder of form omitted

Mrs. B. G. Rainwater
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 27 day of July 1990
W. A. Swans, County Judge, Fannin Co., Texas

Bargilla G. Rainwater, widow of John, 1919, Mortuary Warrant, Texas

State of Texas, County of San Patricio
I S. Rainwater to hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late B. G. Rainwater who was a pensioner of the State of Texas and whose file number is #7589 and whose original county is Fannin. The said pensioner, Mrs. B. G. Rainwater died on the 24th of October 1919 in the town of Aransas Pass in the county of San Patricio, Texas. The pensioner died in the home of S. Rainwater who was related to the pensioner as a son. That the warrant which application is hereby made for shall be applied to paying all or part of the expenses incurred by the pensioner Mrs. B. G. Rainwater.
I am related to the pensioner as son and that my home is in the town of Aransas Pass in the county of San Patricio, State of Texas, that my post office address is Aransas Pass, San Patricio County, Tex, Box #344.

S. Rainwater

This same form contains the Certificate of the Undertaker, which contains one significant piece of information - that B. G. Rainwater was buried in Prairie View Cemetery, San Patricio Co., TX