Civil War Confederate pension application #22066 of Mary F. Rainwater, widow of Virgil Cicero
dated 3 Jul 1913, Texas

#1189
To the Adjutant General,

War Department,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:—

I have the honor to request the military record of

reported to have enlisted in Company... Regiment... in service of the Confederate States Army.

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

Very respectfully,

[Signature]

Commissioner of Pensions.
WAR DEPARTMENT,
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
WASHINGTON, August 14, 1917.

Respectfully referred to the
Commissioner of Pensions,
State of Texas,
Austin.

The record shows that Virgil C. Rainwater, Pvt., Co. B, 11th N. C. Inf., C. S. A., enlisted August 31, 1861, was captured near Petersburg, June 24, 1864, and paroled March 15, 1865, at Brown's Island, Va. No later record of him has been found.

Adjutant General.

Form No. 70. A. G. O.
FORM B
For Use of Widows of Soldiers Who are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of

I, Mrs. [Name], 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 am the widow of Virgil Bissell Rainwater, deceased, who departed this life on the 24th day of May, A.D. 1903, in the county of Smith, in the State of Texas.

I have not remarried since the death of my said husband, and 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 14th day of January, A.D. 1866, in the county of Milam, in the State of Georgia.

My husband, the said Virgil Bissell Rainwater, 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 March 26, A.D. 1890, and have now been a citizen of the State of Texas. I do further state that I do not receive any source of support other than wages or salary, nor do I own any real or personal property, either real or personal or mixed, either in fee or for life, of the 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 I do further state that the answers given to the following questions are true:

1. What is your age? 70 years
2. Where were you born? Crenshaw County, Georgia
3. What Louisiana? Since 1884
4. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? Twelve years
5. Since 1890
6. What is your address? Tyler, Texas
7. What was your husband's full name? Virgil Bissell Rainwater
8. What was the date of his death? 24th day of May, 1903
9. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? Georgia
10. How long did your husband serve? Twenty-eight years
11. If known to you, give date of enlistment and discharge.

[Signature]

State of Georgia
10. 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. 
Served in Infantry in Virginia.

11. Have you transferred to others any property of any kind for the purpose of becoming a beneficiary under this...
EX PARTE

Applicant for Confederate Pension.

Answers and depositions of (1) I. J. Crisler & R. J. Pucker, ages 70 & 75 yrs.

Alpharetta Milton County Georgia

and answering the interrogatories propounded to them in the above entitled cause taken before (2) in accordance with the accompanying (3) agreement.

To the first interrogatory the said Witness answers (4) to the 2nd Int. he answers (agreed)

does the 3rd Int. he answers -- all our lives we were raised together have known him since our boyhood days,

does the 4th Int. he answers -- (yes) were mustered into service at the same time,

does the 5th Int. he answers -- (yes) 22nd Lts. Co. E 1861, Big Shanty Ga; don't know just how long he served in Army,

does the 6th Int. he answers -- Private
Wherefore your petitioner prays that her application for a pension be approved and such other proceedings be had in the premises as are required by law.

(Signature of Applicant) ... Mary E. Rainwater

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 3rd day of Jan. A.D. 1913...

[Seal.]

County Judge

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Smith.

Before me, J. D. Bland, County Judge of Smith County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared G. W. Johnson and J. B. Mussey, 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. Mary E. Rainwater, applicant for a pension as the widow of E. C. Rainwater, deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of E. C. Rainwater, deceased; that they personally know that she has not re-married since the death of her husband, for whose service in the army she claims a pension, and that they have no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness) G. W. Johnson

(Signature of Witness) J. B. Mussey

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 3rd day of Jan., A. D. 1913...

[Seal.]

County Judge

Smith County, Texas.
AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Smith

Before me, County Judge of Smith County, G.W. Johnson, A.R. Bailey, who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know the above-named applicant, Geo. M. Johnson, and that they personally know that the said Geo. M. Johnson has been a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas since prior to March 1, A.D. 1887, and that they have no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness) Geo. M. Johnson

(Signature of Witness) Geo. M. Johnson

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 30th day of January, A.D. 1913.

County Judge

Smith County, Texas

[Seal.]