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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.

James J. Baker
San Saba County

Postoffice

St. Louis

Filed

1807
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Approved

Pension allowed from

Rejected

Commissioner of Pensions.

For use of Soldiers, who are in indigent circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of *San Saba* }

I, *James J. Gober*, 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 *at Spanglers, Va Virginia*

(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:

1. What is your age? *Sixty nine years*
2. Where were you born? *I was born in the State of Georgia*
3. How long have you resided in Texas? *Since February 1867*
4. In what county do you reside? *San Saba County*
5. How long have you resided in said county and what is your postoffice address? *I came to San Saba County in 1876 and have resided here ever since*
My last office address is Spangler, Texas
6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law and been rejected? If rejected, state when and where. *I never have applied for Pension before this*
three wounds rec'd in the Southern Army
7. What is your occupation, if able to engage in one? *farmer but am so disabled by*
8. In what State was the command in which you served organized? *in Mississippi*
9. How long did you serve? Give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge. *13 day May 1861 and was surrendered by General Lee 9th of April 1865*
two years, enlisted
10. What was the letter of your company, number or name of battalion, regiment or battery? *Co. I. Regiment*
13 of Mississippi
11. If transferred from one command to another, give time of transfer, name of command and time of service. *I never was transferred*
12. What branch of the service did you enlist in—infantry, cavalry, artillery or navy? *I enlisted*
in the infantry



13. If commissioned direct by the President, what was your rank and line of duty? *I never was Commissioned by the President or any one else*
14. If detailed for special service, under the law of conscription, what was the nature of your service and how long did you serve? *I never was detailed for any special service*
15. Have you transferred to others any property of any kind for the purpose of becoming a beneficiary under this law? *I have not,*

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) *J. J. Gober*

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

[SEAL.]

J. T. Hartley
County Judge *San Saba* County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS }
County of *San Saba* }

Before me *J. T. Hartley*, County Judge of *San Saba* County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *W. M. Gober & G. W. Walters*, who are personally

known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know *James*

J. Gober the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said *James*

J. Gober 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. M. Gober*

(Signature of Witness) *G. W. Walters*

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

[SEAL.]

J. T. Hartley
County Judge *San Saba* County, Texas.

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 *San Saba* }

REPRODUCED FROM THE
HOLDINGS OF THE
TEXAS STATE ARCHIVES

Before me *J. T. Hartley*, County Judge of *San Saba* County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *W. M. Gober & G. W. Walters*

who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by me sworn, on oath state that they are personally acquainted with the foregoing applicant, and that the facts set forth and statements made in his application are correct

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 W. M. Gober further make oath to the following facts touching the applicant's service in the Confederate Army:

That he has personally known James J. Gober the Applicant for sixty five years, and he knows from what applicant has always said and claimed to have been in the Confederate Army and was wounded three times in the service and he has the scars on his body yet and he has always been known and recognised by his neighbors and acquaintances as a Confederate soldier, and that applicant never heard it disputed or doubted and is satisfied and so states that the applicant is an ex-Confederate soldier, and G. N. Walters states that from the great scars on applicants body made by gun shot wounds and his general reputation he is an old Confederate soldier.

(Signature of Witness) W. M. Gober

(Signature of Witness) G. N. Walters

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 19 day of August, A. D. 1909

J. T. Hartley
County Judge San Saba County, Texas.

[SEAL.]

CERTIFICATE OF THE STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR

I, Mitch Johnson, State and County Assessor in the County of San Saba State of Texas, do certify that J. J. Gober 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 none dollars.

Given under my hand, this 19 day of Aug., A. D. 1909

Mitch Johnson
State and County Assessor.





E. A. BOLMES, Commissioner

OFFICE OF
Commissioner of Pensions

State of Texas
Austin

SEP 6 1909

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

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to request the military record
of James J. Gober who is reported to have enlisted in
Company I, Regiment 13th Mississippi Infantry
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,

E. A. Bolmes



Commissioner of Pensions.

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

WAR DEPARTMENT, 1564633

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, September 10, 1909.

Respectfully returned to the

Commissioner of Pensions,
State of Texas,
Austin.

The records show that J. J. Gober, private, Company I, 13th Mississippi Infantry, Confederate States Army, was enlisted May 13 (also shown as June 12 and July 5), 1861. He surrendered and was paroled at Appomattox Court House, Virginia, April 9, 1865.

W. C. ...

T. P. ...

The Adjutant General

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