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FORM B.

WIDOW'S APPLICATION FOR A PENSION

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The Comptroller of Public Accounts reserves the right to call for additional testimony if he deems it necessary.

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Name of Applicant.

Mrs. S.A. Pruitt,

Henderson County.

R. F. D. or Street No.

Postoffice Poyner, Texas.

Filed January 13th, 1930

Approved January 27th, 1930.

Pension allowed from Dec. 1st, 1929.

Rejected

*S. H. Terrell*

Comptroller of Public Accounts.

THE S. L. STEER CO., AUSTIN

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Widow's Application for Confederate Pension

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Henderson  
 I, Mrs. S. A. Pruitt

do hereby make application for a pension, pursuant to the provisions of the First Section of Title 109, Revised Civil Statutes, 1925, providing for Confederate Pension, amended by Chapter 95, General Laws of the Fortieth Legislature, as amended by Senate Bill 287, Acts of the Regular Session of the Forty-first Legislature of the State of Texas, approved March 5, 1929, on the following ground:

I am a widow of J. L. Pruitt deceased, who departed this life on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of Dec, A. D. 1915, in the county of Henderson in the State of Texas

I have not remarried since the death of my said husband,\* and I 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 26 day of March, A. D. 1868, in the county of Anderson in the State of Texas

My husband, the said J. L. Pruitt, enlisted and served in the military service of the Confederate States during the war between the States of the United States and he did not desert the Confederate service. I have been a resident of the State of Texas since prior to January 1, A. D. 1920, and have been continuously since a citizen of the State of Texas. I do further state that I do not receive from any source whatever money or other means of support amounting in value above the sum of \$300.00 per annum, nor do I own in my own right, nor does anyone hold in trust for my benefit or use, estate or property, either real, personal or mixed, either in fee or for life, of the value of one thousand dollars, exclusive of the home of the value of not over \$2000; nor do I receive any aid or pension from any other State of the United States, and I do further state that the answers given to the following questions are true:

1. What is your age, and date of birth? Born July 16, 1854.
2. Where were you born? Harrison County Texas
3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? 75 years
4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? 16 years
5. What is your postoffice address? Poynor, Texas
6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law and been rejected? No.  
 If rejected, state when and where No.
7. Did your husband draw a pension? No. If so, give his file number No.
8. Give, if possible, the postoffice address of your deceased husband at the time of his enlistment
9. What is your husband's full name? James Lewis Pruitt
10. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? Texas
11. How long did your husband serve? about 2 years If known to you, give date of enlistment and discharge unknown
12. What was the name or letter of the company, or number of the regiment in which your husband served? If he was transferred from one branch of service to another, give time of transfer, description of command and time of service. (If applicant's husband was a pensioner give his file number, which is evidence sufficient for proof of service.) unknown

13. 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. Unknown

14. Do you own any property other than that rendered for taxes in your county? If so, state value of same and county where located None

15. Have you transferred to another any property of any kind for the purpose of becoming a beneficiary under this law? No

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

(Signature of Applicant) Mrs S A Pruitt TX

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 31 day of Dec, A. D. 1939  
W. E. Taylor Notary Public  
 County Judge Henderson County, Texas.

[Seal]

\*Where applicant has remarried it is necessary that she state facts covering particulars of last marriage, date, to whom married, and date of last husband's death. She must also state that she is now a widow.



AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
County of Henderson

Before me, W. E. Taylor Notary Public, County Judge of Henderson County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared R. M. Pagitt, and S. E. Emerson, 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. S. A. Pruitt, applicant for a pension as the widow of J. L. Pruitt deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of J. L. Pruitt deceased; that they personally know that she has not remarried since the death of her husband, for whose services in the army she claims a pension, and that they have no interest in this claim.\*

(Signature of Witness) R. M. Pagitt

(Signature of Witness) S. E. Emerson

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 31 day of Dec, A. D. 1929.

W. E. Taylor Notary Public  
County Judge Henderson County, Texas.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
County of Henderson

Before me, W. E. Taylor Notary Public, County Judge of Henderson County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared A. M. Zimmerman and R. S. Lee, who are personally known to me to be creditable citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know the above named applicant for pension, and that they personally know that the said S. A. Pruitt has been a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas since prior to January 1, A. D. 1920, and that they have no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness) A. M. Zimmerman

(Signature of Witness) R. S. Lee

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 17 day of Jan, A. D. 1930.

W. E. Taylor Notary Public  
County Judge Henderson County, Texas.

[Seal.]



AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

(If possible the two witnesses should have served with the applicant's husband in the army, and if so, let them, or either of them, state it in their oath, also any other information regarding the army service of applicant's husband.)

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
County of Anderson

Before me, B.P. Emerson County Judge of Anderson County,  
State of Texas, on this day personally appeared J.P. Wylie and A.J. Wylie  
....., who are personally known to me to be creditable wit-

zens, who, being by me sworn, on oath state that they are personally acquainted with the foregoing appli-  
cant, and that the facts set forth and statements made in her application are correct and true, to the best  
of their knowledge and belief, and that they have no interest in this claim. And further make oath to  
the following facts touching the service of applicant's husband in the Confederate Army: (Witnesses must  
state fully the source of their knowledge of service of applicant's husband)

My name is John P. Wylie I live at 4338 Lemmon Ave Dallas Texas I am 85 years old and served in the civil war with James Lewis Pruitt I went with him to the war and was with him all during the war we returned from the war together I served about 23 months in the army we served in Co One under Captain Furett and we were discharged together and came home together

(Signature of Witness) J.P. Wylie  
(Signature of Witness) A.J. Wylie

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 2 day of Jan, A. D. 1930.

[Seal.] B.P. Emerson County Judge Anderson County, Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR

I, Jno. W. Wood, State and County Assessor in the County of Henderson State of Texas, do certify that Mrs. J. L. Pruitt whose name is signed to the foregoing application for a pension is charged on the tax rolls of said county with a homestead of the value of Two hundred & fifty Dollars, and, in addition to homestead, of other property, real or personal, or both, of the value of None Dollars.

Given under my hand, this 2 day of Jan, A. D. 1930.  
Jno. W. Wood  
State and County Assessor.





Comptroller's Department  
State of Texas  
Austin

January 13th, 1930.

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

Dear Sir:-

I have the honor to request the Military  
record of J.L.Pruitt., who is  
reported to have enlisted in Company "1"  
Regiment                     . under Capt Fossett.

RECEIVED  
JAN 17 1930  
OLD RECORDS

in service in the Confederate States Army.

Very respectfully,



*S. H. Terrell*

Comptroller of State of Texas.

Mrs., S.A.Pruitt.

Received A. G. O. JAN 17 1930

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WAR DEPARTMENT  
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

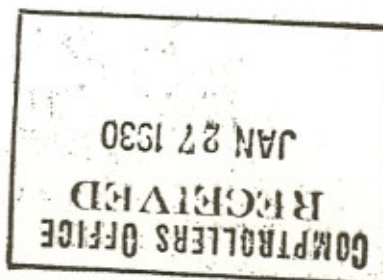
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WASHINGTON January 21, 1930.

Respectfully returned to

The Comptroller,  
State of Texas,  
Austin, Texas.



The name J. L. Fruit, not found as J. L. Pruitt, rank not shown, Captain H. Fossett's Company, Co. A, Frontier Battalion, Texas Cavalry, Confederate States Army, appears on a Return of an election in Captain H. Fossett's Company, held at Camp Colorado, Texas, by order of Colonel J. E. McCord, April 1, 1864, for company commissioned officers.

Return is dated April 1, 1864.

There are no muster rolls on file for this company, and no record of date and place of entry into service is shown.

Union Prisoner of War records show that James L. Fruit, Private, Co. A, Fossitt's Battalion, Confederate States Army, was surrendered at New Orleans, Louisiana, by General E. K. Smith, C.S.A., May 26, 1865, and paroled, date not shown.

Residence shown as Henderson County, also as Anderson County, Texas.

*C. H. Bridges*  
Major General,  
The Adjutant General.  
By *B. B.*



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## COUNTY OF HENDERSON

A. B. COKER, COUNTY JUDGE

JNO. W. BALLOW, COUNTY CLERK  
MRS. MARY JOHNSON, DISTRICT CLERK  
HOBSON GREEN, COUNTY ATTORNEY  
C. C. PHARRIS, SHERIFF  
WILLIE JOHNSON, COUNTY TREASURER  
FRAZIER HOLLAND, TAX COLLECTOR  
JNO. W. WOOD, ASSESSOR



FRANK J. DAVIS, SUPT. PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

J. M. PINKERTON, COMMISSIONER PREC. 1  
W. L. BARNETT, COMMISSIONER PREC. 2  
A. J. SAYLORS, COMMISSIONER PREC. 3  
T. O. MILNER, COMMISSIONER PREC. 4

ATHENS, TEXAS

The State of Texas :  
County of Henderson :

I, A. B. Coker, County Judge of Henderson County, Texas, hereby certify that, I, know Mrs. S. A. Pruitt, who made an application for Confederate Pension on or about the later part of December, A. D. 1929, and also know R. M. Pagitt, and S. E. Emmerson, the subscribing witnesses thereto, and also know W. E. Tayler, whose name appears as Neraty Public, and before whom all of said affidavits were taken; I further certify that the Applicant is a trustworthy person and worthy of belief, and is in a feble condition; and has resided in Henderson County, Texas, at the town of Poyner, for about 16 years; and I further certify that R. M. Pagitt and S. E. Emmerson both of the subscribing witnesses thereto, are good citizens and worthy of belief; And that W. E. Tayler, before whom the affidavits were executed, is a duly qualified acting Notary Public in and for Henderson County, Texas, and is qualified and authorized by law to administer oaths and take affidavits.

  
County Judge of Henderson  
County, Texas.



July 18, 1930

Mr. J. P. Wylie,  
4338 Lemmon Avenue,  
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Mr. Wylie:

Complying with a request made  
by your son R. E. Wiley, I am enclosing you a  
photostat copy of a report from the War Depart-  
ment at Washington, D. C. on the military re-  
cord of J. L. Pruitt, as a Confederate soldier.

Yours very truly.

Acting Comptroller of Public  
Accounts.



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### APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Henderson } I, Will F. Pruitt

do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late Mrs S. A. Pruitt, who was a pensioner of the State of Texas, and whose file number was 46265 and whose original county was Henderson

The said pensioner Mrs S. A. Pruitt, died on the 4 day of March, 1938, in the town of Boynon County of Henderson, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of Mrs Lena Scott who was related to the pensioner as daughter

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

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

I am related to the pensioner as son that my postoffice address is \_\_\_\_\_

Boynon City Street or R. F. D. Texas State

Sworn to before me this 10 day of March 1938  
Signed Will F. Pruitt  
Carrie Watkins

Notary Public in and for Anderson State of Texas.

**Must return before 40 days expires from date of Pensioners' death**

#### CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, G. B. Hassell, do certify that I am undertaker in the town of Palatine, County of Anderson, State of Texas. that I had charge of the body of Mrs S. A. Pruitt, who died in the town of Boynon, County of Henderson, State of Texas on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of March 1938. That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 4 day of March 1938, and that I am of the opinion that warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said Will F. Pruitt who makes the foregoing application.

Signed G. B. Hassell Undertaker.

#### CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, J. H. Mass, do certify that I am a practicing physician, and that I attended Mrs. S. A. Pruitt in his last illness, and am of the opinion that his ailments were Suppurative & Bronchial Pneumonia

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-eighth Legislature and approved March 2, 1928

Signed J. H. Mass M.D.  
Physician's Address Boynon Tex

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COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE  
MARCH 1 1938

