

# APPLICATION TO PROCURE A PENSION FOR VETERAN.

(Original)

The State of Texas,

County of Brazoria

To the Hon. H. Masterson County Judge of said County and State:

Your applicant Sam Bell being first duly sworn, would respectfully state as follows, to-wit: That he here applies for a pension from the State of Texas.

I. My name is Sam Bell; my age is 67 years; my residence is Brazoria County, Texas.

II. I did not receive a pension under the acts of 1870 and 1874; I did not receive a pension under the act of 1876; I did not receive a pension under the act of 1883; I did not receive a veteran donation land certificate under the act of 1881. (If you did not get the pensions, etc., above referred to, write the word "not" in the blank space left.)

III. The following is a correct list of the real and personal property I own, to-wit: (Here state what property you own.)  
A house and 3 acres of land  
and the present value of the same is \$ 8000

IV. I have sold or conveyed within twelve months prior to this date, the following property, to-wit: (Here state what property you have sold or conveyed.)  
I have sold no property within the last twelve months.  
and that such property so sold and conveyed was worth \$ \_\_\_\_\_

V. I am in indigent circumstances and am dependent upon my labor or the charity of others for a support, and have not transferred to others any property or values of any kind for the purpose of procuring a pension, under the act passed in 1885.

VI. I was for ten years prior to the passage of the pension act passed in 1885, and have been ever since, a bona fide resident citizen of this State.

VII. I was in the actual military service of Texas at the time of the siege of Bexar, in December, 1835. I was at the battle of San Jacinto, in April, 1836. I was in the actual military service of Texas for as much as six weeks between the commencement of the revolution, at Gonzales, in 1835, and the first day of July, 1836. I was wounded during the battle of San Jacinto. (Erase all the above except that part showing your service.)

VIII. I rendered such service from about the 15th day of March, 1836, to about the 1st day of May, 1836, and served in the command of Capt. Sam Bell

I, Stewart & Habicht are my agents and collectors for said pension.  
Sam Bell Applicant.

Also at the same time before me came William James and Sam Bell credible witnesses and to me known, who being first duly sworn, each deposes and says that he knows Sam Bell the first affiant; that the facts stated by him are true, as they are informed and believe, and that he is known and regarded in his neighborhood as a Texas Veteran.

William James Witness.  
Sam Bell Witness.

Sworn to and subscribed before me by said affiant and witnesses this 19th day of Nov, 1885.

Comptroller's Office,  
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MAR 12 1886  
Referred to by Sam Bell  
No 2956

H. Masterson  
County Judge Brazoria County, Texas