The State of Texas } County Court
Galveston County } March Term 1877

To the Hon the County Court in and for said County

The Petition of Mary Falbel, who is the surviving widow of Luke A Falbel late of said County deceased Very respectfully represents unto unto your Honor That she is a resident citizen of the said County of Galveston in the State of Texas aforesaid That she is the widow of Luke A Falbel who departed this life on the 10th day of July A D 1872 That since the death of said Luke A Falbel she has never married, and remains and has always been since sole and unmarried. That her said husband had been in the military service of the Republic of Texas in the war between Texas and Mexico and so in said service and during the time that a pension was allowed and granted to her said husband by the laws of the State of Texas. And said Falbel received said pension from said State of Texas under and by virtue of the laws thereof up to the time of his death aforesaid That your Petitioner has a family of four children living with her and constituting her family, said children being the issue of the marriage