want of care in the custody of said application & the proofs filed therewith in said Office in support thereof & Affs which was without the knowledge or consent of said Charles Wilcox - That said papers do not now appear to be in their proper places in said Office but petitioner charges the fact that said original application & proofs exist somewhere in said Office as she believes

That your petitioner & said Charles resided together as husband & wife from the time of their marriage until the death of said Charles in the year 1874 a period of more than thirty years - That your petitioner is absolutely in need & is dependent largely in her old age for her support upon the charity of her relatives & friends - That petitioner as such surviving wife & widow is now justly entitled to the full amount of $1000 per annum for said pension for said services of said Charles, under the laws of said State of Texas as your petitioner will show to your Honor by good & sufficient evidence