

PROOF TO PROCURE LAND CERTIFICATE,

To persons who have been permanently disabled by reason of wounds received while in actual service of the State or of the Confederate states, by virtue of an act of the 17th Legislature, approved April 9, 1881.

This blank is furnished by J. H. Collett, Austin, Texas. I have a different blank for widow of soldier.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Bosque

BEFORE the Commissioners' Court of the county aforesaid personally appeared

Richard L. Nicholson to us well known, who, being first duly sworn, says:

1. That he was a *bona fide* resident of this State, at the date of the passage of this law, and is now a resident citizen of this State and was a resident of this State when he enlisted in the military service of the Confederate States in the late war between the States of the United States. 2. And while in actual service was permanently disabled by reason of wounds, received in such military service, so as to seriously impair his ability to perform bodily labor, or earn a living for himself and family. 3. And that he has not property of the value of one thousand dollars.

Also at the same time before us personally came D. H. Neely and S. J. Moore credible persons, and to us well known, who, being duly sworn, depose and say that they know Richard L. Nicholson the first affiant, and that he is the identical person he represents himself to be, and that the facts stated by him are true, and that he is entitled to a land certificate under the provisions of said act.

(Signature of Soldier.)

Richard L. Nicholson

(Signature of Witness.)

D. H. Neely

(Signature of Witness.)

S. J. Moore

SWORN TO and subscribed before said Court this 8th day of August 1881, and we hereby certify that the said Richard L. Nicholson is entitled to a land certificate under said act.

R. G. Childress County Judge.

W. B. Harris Co. Commissioner. 1

J. B. Lane Co. Commissioner. 2

Theodore Harmon Co. Commissioner. 3

G. Grinnell Co. Commissioner. 4

TEST:

D. A. Callahan

Clerk County Court Bosque Co., Texas.

NOTE. Go before your Commissioners Court and take two witnesses who can make affidavit to your (or your husband) having been a Confederate soldier, etc., and all three of you sign the affidavit before the court, and the County Judge, Commissioners and County Clerk will sign and affix the county seal. Return this blank, duly signed and authenticated, to me as soon as convenient. Respectfully, J. H. COLLETT.

Be sure and sign the authority on the back hereof.

The first blanks sent out for the Confederate soldier should not be used—blanks for the widows are correct.

File 537

Confederate Genl

**Application of
Richard L Nicholson
FOR
Land Certificate.**

Richard L Nicholson
1280 acres

The Commissioner of the General Land Office will deliver to ~~Richard L Nicholson~~ of Austin, Texas, any Certificate that may issue to me on the application on the reverse hereof.

D. N. Hewlett

Certificate No 537
issued & forwarded
to R L Nicholson
Aug 22 1861

Richard L Nicholson

Witness:



Richard L Nicholson
Co. Commissioner

August 12th 1861
give no attention to
endorsement on back
of this to D. N. Hewlett
Richard L Nicholson

Richard L Nicholson
Co. Commissioner
Co. Commissioner
Co. Commissioner
Co. Commissioner