

State of South Carolina, }  
County of Anderson }

TO THE COUNTY PENSION BOARD:

The undersigned applies for enrollment under the Act of 1923. I served the State of South Carolina in the War between the States, as Sergeant under Chiles & Co. Chiles & Co. who ~~was~~ <sup>was</sup> in Company 12 Regiment 10th Regt Captain J. C. Cottman I went in the service 1862 and served continuously until The summer 1868 remaining faithful to the Confederacy throughout the said war, and my conduct since the war has been such that I am entitled to a pension under the above Act. I reside at Anderson in Anderson County, S. C.

Sworn to and Subscribed before me this 6th day of April 1923  
W. H. Barber  
Noty Pub. S. C.

Wade Chiles  
Give name in full.  
Wade

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, }  
County of .....

Personally appeared before me R. F. Diver and J. B. Lewis and being duly sworn, each of them deposes and says that they know Wade Chiles who is an applicant for a pension, and they have read the said application; that they know of their own knowledge that the applicant served the State of South Carolina for more than six (6) months during the War between the States under J. C. Cottman and remained faithful to the Confederacy during the said war and that his conduct since then has been such that will entitle him to a pension under the Act of 1923; that the applicant is a resident of the State and resides in ..... County, S. C.

Sworn to before me this 12 day of April, 1923  
W. H. Barber

R. F. Diver  
Commander Camp 80 Lee  
N. C.  
J. B. Lewis. Adjt

Approved by John W. Thomson Chairman Board of Honor, .....

County, this 30 day of Apr, 1923

State of South Carolina  
County of Anderson

TO THE COUNTY PENSION BOARD:

The undersigned applies for enrollment under the Act of 1923. I served the State of South Carolina in the War between the States as \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ County, South Carolina. I served in the \_\_\_\_\_ and served continuously until \_\_\_\_\_ 18\_\_\_\_.

Application under Act of

1923

OF

*Wade & Childs*

POST OFFICE

*Anderson*

COUNTY OF

*Anderson*

APPROVED BY

*J. W. Thompson*  
Chairman County Board of Honor.

Approved by \_\_\_\_\_  
County, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_.

M. L. BONHAM

THOS. ALLEN

BONHAM & ALLEN  
ATTORNEYS AT LAW  
ANDERSON, SO. CAR.

April 6, 1923.

Hon. Herman E. Bailey,  
Probate Judge,  
City.

Dear sir:-

I am taking the liberty to send to you the application for pension made by old Wade Chiles under the new act. The negro is old and his memory is infirm and he cannot remember anybody now living who can swear to his service. I am sending you my affidavit, which it seems to me should be sufficient to establish his service, because when he told me he carried Colonel Cothran off the field at Second Manassas, he did not know that I had heard Colonel Cothran years before state the same fact. I am afraid that the Board of Pensions are disposed to be a little technical in passing upon these applications.

Please do what you can for old Wade in the matter. He is a deserving old negro.

Yours very truly,

*M. L. Bonham*

MLB:M

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )  
COUNTY OF ANDERSON )

Ex Parte  
Wade Chiles,  
Petitioner

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Before me personally appeared M. L. Bonham, who being duly sworn says that he has known Wade Chiles, the petitioner for more than twenty years, and in 1917 when the United States entered the World's War, Wade Chiles in talking about the Confederate War with this deponent stated that he was with Colonel Cothran, then Captain of Company B Orr's Regiment of Rifles, as a servant; that Captain Cothran was wounded at Second Manassas and that he, Wade, carried him on his back to the rear. This deponent many years ago heard Colonel Cothran, then Judge Cothran, make the statement that his negro boy had carried him on his back from the field of battle at Second Manassas where he was wounded. Wade Chiles did not know when he made his statement to deponent that Colonel Cothran had ever made any statement to deponent about the matter. Deponent led Wade Chiles to talk about his other experiences in the War, and he is satisfied that his statement of his service was true. Wade is old, being more than eighty years of age. He is not of a high degree of intelligence, and his memory is defective. He cannot remember the names of anyone now living who was in the service. Wade has been a faithful, dependable negro, humble to white people and always willing to serve them. In the long service in my employ, I have found him honest and truthful. I believe him to be entitled to the pension provided by the State.

M. L. Bonham

SWORN to and subscribed before  
me this 6th day of April 1923.

[Signature]  
Notary Public for S. C.

