IN RE

LEO M. FRANK

APPLICATION FOR EXECUTIVE CLEMENCY.

TO THE HONORABLE THE PRISON COMMISSION AND THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA:

The application of Leo M. Frank for executive clemency respectfully shows: On August 26, 1913, I was convicted in the Superior Court of Fulton County of murder, and I am now under sentence of death pronounced on said verdict. I ask that this sentence be commuted to life imprisonment upon the following grounds:

I am absolutely innocent of the crime of which I was convicted. My death would neither avenge it, nor punish the real perpetrator. I have no personal knowledge of the crime other than the facts related by me in my statement made at the trial. Beyond these facts, I know no more than any other person who was present in the court room and heard the evidence.

The main evidence on which I was convicted was of a questionable and unreliable character. My alleged guilt has not been established beyond a reasonable doubt, but, on the contrary, conflict of testimony, uncertainty and doubt still exist as to every material feature of the case made against me.

I do not undertake to set out herein, in full, all the reasons on which I ask clemency, but request permission to do so at the hearing. I file herewith four printed copies of the brief of the evidence introduced at the trial, and urge that they be given the most careful consideration. An examination of the building and premises of the National Pencil Factory is necessary to a clear understanding of the evidence, and I earnestly request that before beginning the examination of the record a personal inspection of this building and premises be made.

atlanta, La. april 22, 1915.

R espectfully submitted,

G E O R G I A FULTON COUNTY.

Personally appeared before me the undersigned officer Leo M. Frank, who being first duly sworn deposes and says that the allegations of the foregoing petition are true.

Sworn to and subscribed before me

this 22 nd day of april 1915.

Notery Public, Fulton County, Georgia.

- Protect - 149 3 No. 6406 APPLICATION FOR CLEMENCY ----FOR-----Les M. Frank. convicted of Murder at the July Term 1912. sentence To Hang Received in Prison Represented by Aria-And Gancie Service of Prison Complexion. Committed to tife im-This_2/2 day of June 1915 a. H. felm Secretary Executive Department. A. M. Sec Ex. finates Dages 274-218