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Cent. 137,036

Munia Stone

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WAR OF 1861.

CLAIM FOR WIDOW'S PENSION, WITH MINOR CHILDREN.

BRIEF in the case of

Minnah Stone
John Stone

Widow of

Resident of

Jefferson

County, and State of

Kentucky

Post Office address:

No. 116 Benton St. Louisville, Ky.

DECLARATION AND IDENTIFICATION IS DUE FORM.

PROOF EXHIBITED.

Service.

The Adj-Genl. U.S.A. reports said soldier mustered as above Sept. 19, 1862, and died in that Hospital, Campus Christi, Tex. July 21st 1865 of Dysentery.

Death.

L. G. U.S.A. reports death, disease, place and date same as above -
Affid. of two soldiers of same Regt, state that they knew said Stone to be a man of good temperate habits, that he first took cold by sleeping on the ground, that he had no money, and that he was furnished with a blanket after a few days death on his lungs he also had fever, and his disease originated in the line of his duty that he died at Campus Christi, Texas in Sept. 1865, that they knew his grave was here buried -

Marriage.

Alleged marriage Dec. 1861. Affid. of witnesses who were present at the ceremony show that John Stone & Minnah Murray were married on or about the date alleged - substantiate them from that date to his enlistment -

Names and names of birth of children.

Name	born	12 mos. who will be 16 years old	May 8 th	1880
Martha Stone	May 9 th	18	"	18
"	"	18	"	18
"	"	18	"	18
"	"	18	"	18
"	"	18	"	18
"	"	18	"	18
"	"	18	"	18
"	"	18	"	18
"	"	18	"	18

Proof of age.

Shown by affidavit of Meliboy Murray, the former owner of said U.S.A. who kept a record of births of his slaves in a Bible, now in his possession.

Loyalty.

Assured.

Agent, and his P. O. address.

O. M. Road Esq. Louisville, Ky.

I now certify for Eight dollars per month, commencing July 22nd 1865, and two dollars per month additional for each of the above named children, commencing Twenty fifth day of July 1866.Passed November 26th 1869.

APPROVED

L. Long

L. Long, Examiner.

H.

Widow's Application for Army Pension.

This Army Pension Declaration must be executed before a Judge or Clerk of a Court of Record, (a Deputy Clerk will not answer,) and if before the Judge, the Clerk thereof will certify and Judge's official capacity and signature, and place the same under the seal of the Court.
 Note: a Judge of the Peace, or a County Judge, need not subscribe this paper. If he does the work is equally valid, and need be all done over again before a Judge or Clerk of a Court of Record, or that named.

State of Kentucky County of Jefferson SS.
 On this 4th day of May A. D. 1869 personally appeared before me (1) Black Court
 of the (2) County Court, a Court of Record, within and for the County and State aforesaid, Mrs.
Mima Stone a resident of the (3) City of Louisville in the
 State of Kentucky aged about 30 years, who, being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her
14th 1863 That she is the widow of John Stone deceased,
 who was a Private in Company K commanded by Captain
122 Regiment of (5) U.S.C. in the war of 1861, and who died (6) While in
 the service aforesaid, in the State of Kentucky on or about the
day of September A. D. 1865, from (7) Disease
 incurred in the service aforesaid and while in the line of his duty. (8)

She further declares that she was married to the said John Stone in the (9) County
of Spencer in the State of Kentucky on the 12th day of December
 in the year 1844 and that her name before her said marriage was
Mima Stone and that her husband, the aforesaid John Stone died on the day above mentioned, and that she has
 remained a widow ever since that period, as will more fully appear by reference to the proof herewith accompanying or to be hereafter
 filed. She also declares that she has not, in any manner, been engaged in, or aided or abetted, the rebellion in the United States. She
 irrevocably appoints William H. Stone her attorney,
 with full power of substitution and revocation on his part in her behalf, and authorizes him to receive the Pension
 Certificate when issued. Her Past Widow is at Louisville in the County of Jefferson in the State of
Kentucky That her domicile or place of abode is (10) 183rd Madison Street
that there is no record evidence of her said marriage and
that the Minute who performed the Rites of Marriage is dead
that she offers proof by Eye witnesses
 That (11) one child now residing and John Stone in his
issue whose name is Hannah Stone and who was born on the
9th day of May 1864 and who now lives with this applicant
at 183rd Madison Street Louisville

ATTEST:
Geo. Gulio
H. C. Forbman
Mima Stone
Stone Applicant.

Before us, subscribed and acknowledged before me, the day and year first above written, and also personally appeared John
May and Martha May residents of the (12) City
of Louisville in the State of Kentucky persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to
 credit, and who, being by me duly sworn, say that they were present and saw Mrs. Mima Stone (11)
Make her (12) Make to the foregoing declaration; and they further swear that they have every reason to believe,
 from the appearance of the applicant and their acquaintance with her, that she is the identical person she represents herself to be, and
 that they have no interest in the promotion of this claim. They further state that the foregoing declaration and this affidavit were read
 over to fully explained and understood by them before the signing and repeating hereof.

ATTEST:
Geo. Gulio
H. C. Forbman
John May
Martha May
Stone
 Sworn to and subscribed before me, this fourth day of May A. D. 1869, and I hereby

Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, D. C.

June 9, 1869.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt from your Office of application for Pension No. 174994, and to return it herewith, with such information as is furnished by the files of this Office.

It appears from the Roll on file in this Office, that John Stone was enrolled on the Drafted day of , 186 , at in Co. , Regiment of Volunteers, to serve One years, or during the war, and mustered into service as a Private on the 19 day of Sept 1861, at Lebanon Vt., in Co. K, 122 Regiment of U. S. C. T. Volunteers, to serve One years, or during the war. On the Muster Roll of Co. K of that Regiment, for the months of July and August 1865, he is reported "Died in Post Hospital Corps at Christ's Vt. July 21. 1865 of Dysentery" and is so accounted for in the Muster Roll of the Company.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

James M. Vincent

Assistant Adjutant General.

The Commissioner of Pensions,
Washington, D. C.

W. & L. 2003

Number 144 994
of 172 A., Vol. 0 No. 136

WAR DEPARTMENT,

Surgeon General's Office,
RECORD AND PENSION DIVISION,

Washington, D. C., July 21st, 1867.

[CERTIFICATE FROM RECORDS.]

It appears, from the records filed in this Office, that John Stone
Private Co. K, 122nd Reg't U.S.C.V. Vol. 2
was admitted to Post Hospital, Camp Meade, Md.
July 16th, 1865, from not stated, for treatment for
Ague, and died July 21, 1865

It also appears, as reported by Asst. Surgeon Thomas Morrow
, that Priv. John Stone, Co. K,
122nd Reg't U.S.C.V. Vol. 2, died July 21st, 1865, at
the Camp of Ague

Remarks:

BY ORDER OF THE SURGEON GENERAL:

J. J. Woodward

Brev. Lieut. Col. and Asst. Surgeon, U. S. Army.

(64)

(NOTE. This certificate should not be detached from the accompanying papers.)

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Parole Proof of Marriage.

JOINT AFFIDAVIT.

We, Rachael Ann May and Anthony Brown residents of the City of Louisville in the State of Kentucky upon our oaths declare that we are personally well acquainted with ella Mina Stone widow of John Stone deceased, and who is a resident of the County of Jefferson in the State of Kentucky and who by virtue of the military service of her said husband, the said John Stone deceased, is now applying for Army Pension. We were likewise personally well acquainted with the said John Stone now deceased, which fact we know by general repute, and his said wife, the said Mina Stone during the lifetime of the former, and know that they lived together as husband and wife, and to be so reputed, without any question to the contrary. We also further state, that we were present at the marriage of the above named John Stone with the said ella Mina Stone whose name before her said marriage was Mina Murray. That we were eye-witnesses to said marriage, and saw the same take place. That it occurred in the County of Jefferson in the State of Kentucky on or about the first day of December A.D. 1861. That Henry Stone Colonel & Minister administered the rites of marriage between said parties, and pronounced them man and wife. That we make this affidavit as a simple act of justice, and nothing further, having no interest in so doing whatever.

ATTEST:
E. J. Fullerton
Ira Graves
Rachael Ann May
Anthony Brown

Sworn to and subscribed before me, on this 20th day of April A.D. 1869; and I hereby certify, that I know the affiants to be credible persons; that the foregoing affidavit was read over and fully explained to, and understood by them, before the signing and execution thereof, and that I have no interest in this matter.

Daniel Burr Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Jefferson State of Kentucky

ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE.

MARRIAGE.

PAROLE PROOF OF MARRIAGE.

MARRIAGE OF John Stone DEC'D
 WITH Mina Stone
 Application for Pension
 Act of July 14th 1869
 ella Mina Stone
 Widow of John Stone dec'd.
 a P R Rept. of
122nd NS CD

Affidavit of Rachael Ann May
 And Anthony Brown
Present at Marriage
C. H. Hood Attorney.
 Post Office Address:
Louisville Ky

Notarize—It is the duty of the Notary, upon receiving the Clerk's application, to examine the same, and if the same are found to be correct, to sign and seal the same, and to forward the same to the Clerk of the Court, who will then file the same in the proper case, and the same will be considered as evidence in the case.

State of _____ County of _____ SS.
 Clerk of the _____ Court, within and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify, that ella Mina Stone, before whom the foregoing affidavit was made, and who has hereto sworn, his name, was at the time of so doing an acting Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State above named, duly elected, qualified and sworn, that all his official acts as such are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his said signature as it appears on the reverse page hereof, is genuine.
 Given under my hand and seal of _____ this _____ day of _____ A.D. 1869.
 Clerk,
 Court.

INSTRUCTIONS.



Births of *Murray* Pensioner Children

Martha Ann Murray Was Born
September 4th 1864

Emaline Murray Was Born 31 July 1866

Stone
John Was Born April 4th 1862

Stone
Married Was Born 9th May 1864

Est 11 3-1081 *Lansdale*

PENSIONER DROPPED

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

BUREAU OF PENSIONS

WIDOW, 191

Certificate No. 127 036

Class WIDOW

Pensioner *Minna or Maria Stone*

Soldier *John Stone*

Service *SG 122nd U.S.C. Ia*

The Commissioner of Pensions.

Sir:

I have the honor to report that the name of
the above-described pensioner who was last
paid at \$ 12, to July 4, 1915,
has this day been dropped from the roll be-
cause of death March 22 1915

Very respectfully,

Wm. H. Hall

Chief, Finance Division.

NOTE.—Every name dropped to be thus reported at
once, and when cause of dropping is death, state date
of death when known.

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No. 74994

ACT OF JULY 14, 1862.

Mona Stone,
Louisville Ky.
Widow of
John Stone.

Proc. No. 122 U.S.C.T.
Died at 'Cypress Christ' Ky.
Sept. 1865.

Mother's claim reported Aug 24/69

Received May 8th, 1869.
C. M. Reed.
Louisville
Jefferson Co. Ky.
Attorney.

Letter to atty
for testimony to show
that the disease of which
Soldier died was contracted
in the US service and
in the line of duty. Aug 11 1964

Oct-22
main Letter to atty for evidence
of statements of marriage

No. 157630

Kentucky
Cinna or Minna Stone

WIDOW OF

John Stone

Rank *Pirate* Co. *K.*

Regt *133 N. I. Art. 100*

Louisville Agency.

Rate per Month \$ *8.*

Commencing *22 July* *1865*

Additional sum of \$2 per Month for each of
the following children, until arriving at the age of
6 years, commencing *25 July* *1865*

Mariah 8 May 1860

Certificate dated *3 Dec* *1869*

Sent to *W M Reed*

Louisville Ky.

Dec 1407 July, 1862.

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H. A. Hall

Clerk.

R. Oct. 20/73

July 29 O. M. Road (that child is dead
John is neither alleged nor proved)

see Mother's claim

No. 208.069

6- 5- 73- Springfield, Mo. 45-

1874 April 16 -

Condition to O. M. Road
Verbally - 7 Dy sed

O. M. Road, Louisville, Ky for
date of death of the soldiers child
and informed that claimant in her
declaration of May 1869 states
soldier has but one child
surviving him, and in declaration
of June 1873 alleges soldier left
two children for whom she claims
merit. A strong explanation
required. July 28/75.

75 Oct 26, P.A. Enclosing
Rec Cert, and to deduct
\$10 - fee from next
payment and remit
O. M. Road, atty,
Springfield

Claim of Widow for an Increase of Pension.

State of Kentucky, County of Jefferson, ss:

On this Seventh day of June, A. D. 1872, personally appeared before me, a Clerk of the county and State aforesaid, Mima Stone, a resident of Louisville in the county of Jefferson, and State of Kentucky, aged 40 years; who, being duly sworn according to law, doth, on her oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Second Section of the Act of Congress increasing the Pensions of Widows and Orphans, approved July 25, 1866. That she is the widow of John Stone who was a Private in Company K, commanded by in the 122^d Regiment of U.S.C. in the war of 1861. And that by reason of his death in the service aforesaid, she has been granted a Pension of eight dollars per month in accordance with a certificate numbered 157026, bearing date December 3^d 1869.

She further swears, that she has the following named children of her deceased husband and herself, under sixteen years of age, who are now living, the dates of whose births were as given below, to-wit: John W. Stone April 4th 1862
Manah " May 8th 1864
That she is in receipt of Pension for Manah above named

She further declares that she has not remarried since the death of her said husband, nor has she abandoned the support of any one of the children above named, nor permitted any one of the same to be adopted by any other person or persons as his, her, or their child.

That she hereby constitutes and appoints Emeline of Louisville Ky her true and lawful Attorney-in-fact, and authorizes him to present and prosecute this claim, and to receive and receipt for all orders or certificates that may be issued in consequence thereof, hereby revoking all Powers of Attorney, if any, heretofore given by her for a like purpose.

Signature of Claimant:

Mima Stone

My Post Office address is:

Jackman St. City, Louisville, Ky
R. B. Brall
R. B. Brall

Also, personally appeared before me, at the time and place aforesaid, Emeline Armstrong and Richard Mays residents of Louisville of the county of Jefferson and State of Kentucky, persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, who, being duly sworn, declare, each for himself, that they well know Mima Stone who signed the foregoing declaration in their presence, and that she is the identical person she represents herself to be; that they have been acquainted with the said applicant and the said deceased for 20 years, and believe the foregoing statement relative to the names, births, and ages of their children, to be true and correct, and that the said statement is believed to be true and correct by the community in which they resided.

They further swear that they, or either of them, have no interest in this claim, either present, or prospective, and that they are not concerned, directly or indirectly, in its prosecution.

Signatures of Witnesses:
R. B. Brall
R. B. Brall

Emeline Armstrong
Richard Mays

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 6th day of June 1893,
and I hereby certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim,
and that the contents of the above instrument were made known to the applicant and witnesses
before signing.

Official Signature: _____

H. W. Thompson
J. W. C. Key

INSTRUCTIONS.

- (1.) Military or Naval.
(2.) If Military, state rank, company, and regiment. If Naval, state rank and name of vessel.

Director of Land Office

Residence at Louisville Ky

APPLICANT'S ADDRESS.

Anna Stone

Johnston Street
Louisville Ky

ATTORNEY'S ADDRESS.

Chas. R. R. R.

Land Office

ROBERT CLARK & CO.
LAW FIRM
OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
WASHINGTON, D. C.



State of Kentucky County of Jefferson } ss.

In Petition No. 132,036 for Pension of John Stone dec'd R. H. 2 Reg. U.S.C.

on this 23 day of September 1892, personally came before me Notary Public

in and for the County and State aforesaid, Minna Stone and

citizens of Louisville County of Jefferson State of Kentucky

well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit and who being duly sworn, declare in relation to the aforesaid case as follows:

That she is the possessor of certificate No. 132,036 entitling her to a Pension for herself and one child named Maria Stone and that she has never at any time received more than eight Dollars for her self and two Dollars for one child named Maria Stone that said John Stone deceased left surviving him two children under sixteen years of age as is shown by the testimony of his sons, Oliver H. Kellogg Murray Esq. and his daughter, Mrs. Susan Spindle, that the examing Agent from the Pension Office both he received by his and said John Stone's children birth records recorded by his former owner that the oldest child of said John Stone deceased is named John Stone but is now about fifteen years of age that said John Stone junior was born to John Stone deceased, was married to said Minna Stone and was his recognized child as is shown by first class evidence and that his name must have been omitted by mistake in the Pension certificate No. 132,036. Affiant further states that said John Stone dec'd did not leave but two children surviving him and that said children were named John Stone and Maria Stone and that said John Stone junior had a child named Ellen Kelly or May and that they must certainly be some mistake in regard to the same, as the only surviving of John Stone the subject of No. 132,036 Reg. U.S.C. are named John and Maria and that Affiant claims \$12.00 per month for said Maria and that though said John is equally as much entitled to Pension for his said father's service though some one else is not receiving anything. She therefore request that she be allowed the Pension due John Stone junior for the service of his father John Stone deceased and that after there has been a careful examination of the facts on file in her claim that if further proof be required her Attorney C. H. Hood of Louisville be notified as to the same.

ATTENT: Where any affiant signs by mark, two persons who write must attest.

Rebecca J. Bryant
Ed. G. Durbin

They further declare that they have no interest in the claim to which this refers, and not concerned in its prosecution.

(7) Minna Stone
Mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me on the date above named, and I certify that contents of the foregoing was read over to

and understood by affiants before signing, and that I am not interested in the claim to which this refers, or concerned in its prosecution.

Official character.

Amos W. Kelley

NOTE.—This should be sworn to before a CLERK OF COURT, NOTARY PUBLIC, or JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. If before a JUSTICE, NOTARY, or CLERK OF COUNTY COURT, write out his certificate of Official Character on the back hereof, and not on a separate slip of paper.

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE.

State of _____ County of _____ ss.
I _____ clerk of the _____ Court within
and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that _____ Esq.,
before whom the foregoing declaration and affidavit were made, and who has thereto signed his name, was at the time of so doing
a _____ in and for the County and State above named, duly commissioned,
qualified and sworn; that all his official acts, as such, are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature, as it appears on the
reverse page hereof, is genuine, that his term of office commenced on the _____ day of _____ 18
and will expire on the _____ day of _____ 18
Given under my hand and the seal of _____ Court, at office
in _____ this _____ day of _____ A. D. 18
Clerk,
Court.

ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE.

Proof of _____
Application for _____
Act of _____ 18
Case No. _____ Applicant _____
In _____ Co. _____ Regt. _____
of _____ Vol. _____
O. M. ROOD, Attorney-
Louisville, Ky.

No. 137,636

Kentucky Gore
Annar Miina Stone

WIDOW OF

John Stone
Rank Private, Co. K,
Regt. 122 U.S. Col. Vols.

Louisville Agency.

Rate per Month, \$ 8.

Commencing 22 July 1865

Additional sum of \$2 per Month for each of
the following children, until arriving at the age of
16 years, commencing 25 July 1866.

Married 8 May 1880

Mother's application 208,067
Rejected Oct 22, 75
inside

Certificate dated 3 Dec. 1868

Sent to Am. Road 18

Louisville
Ky Attorney.

Act 14th July, 1862.

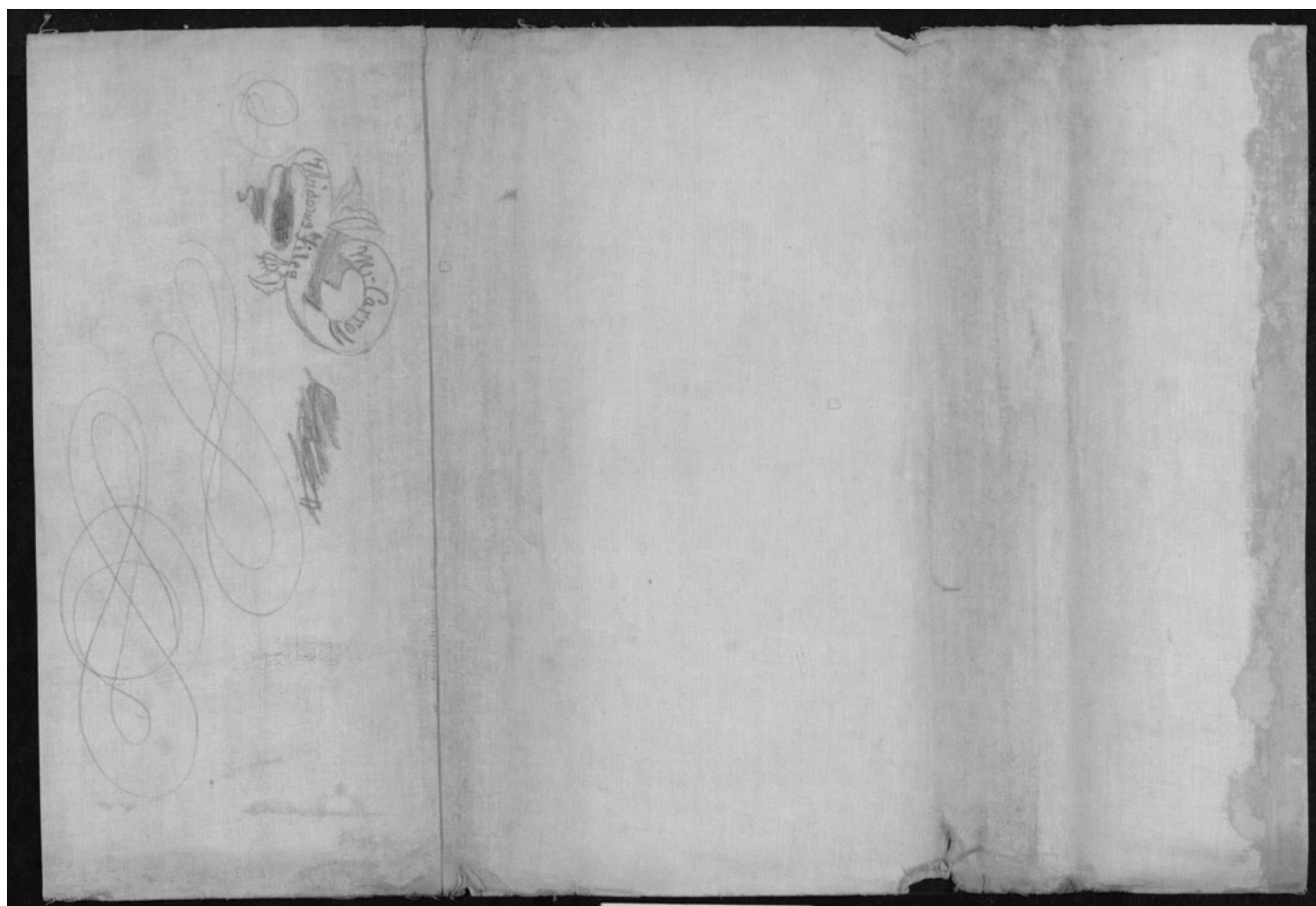
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H. A. Hall

Clerk.

1878. Dec. 1. ^{file to session}
reimbursement and filed. HCS

Sept. 18/80 Maria Stone is
joined to her
the lawful widow. S.S.D



the child
be issued to include John Stone
WAR OF THE REBELLION. Act of July 14, 1862, and subsequent acts.

WIDOW'S PENSION.
(ORIGINAL WITH INCREASE.)

Cert 137,036.

Louisville

Minna or Mima Stone

widow of

John Stone

Rank, Private
Company, K.
Regiment, 123 U.S. C. Troops

Residence of claimant, Jefferson County, and State of Ky.

Post Office, Louisville Jefferson

Attorney, C. M. Rood Louisville

File, 8 Articles of agreement, Not having been filed

P. of atty filed Oct 21, 78

Rate of pension, \$ 3.00 per month, commencing on the 24th of July, 1865, the date of soldier's death when the original \$2.00 and two dollars per month additional for each child, as follows:

By former marriage	None	18	18	Commencing	18
		18	18		
		18	18		
		18	18		
By last marriage	John	18	18		
		18	18		
		18	18		
		18	18		
By last marriage	Mariah	18	18		
		18	18		
		18	18		
		18	18		

Payment on all former certificates covering any portion of the same time to be deducted.
ADMITTED, Oct 23, 1878, Examiner.
APPROVED, Oct 25, 1878, Reviewer.
Approved M.H.

DATES SHOWN BY PAPERS.

Enlistment, Drafted and, 18. Right accrued, Under 22, 1865.
Master into pensionable rank, Sept 17, 1864. Claim completed, October 21, 1878.
Discharge, 18. Former marriage of soldier, None, 18.
Death, July 21, 1865. Death of former wife, 18.
Invalid app. filed, None, 18. Claimant's marriage to soldier, Dec 1, 1861.
Invalid last paid to, 18. Claimant has been paid 136 months.
Widow's app. filed, Sept 28, 1878. Sept 4, 1878 at \$10.00 per month for increase for only one child.

CAUSE OF DEATH, Dysentery. PLACE OF DEATH, Cohoes, Chautauque Co., N.Y.
Certificate No 137,036 filed with the claim.

INCIDENTAL MATTER.

Special Investigation in this case shows that the statement is the widow of the soldier and that she has two minor children by the soldier, now living, John & Mariah. Original Cert. Sanitised.

The brief herewith, was app'd for removal of suspension, probably on supposition that name of the Child John was included in original certificate.

Murphy
Oct. 25. 78.

PROOF AS TO SERVICE.

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The Adjutant General U. S. A. reports the military history of the soldier as follows:

PROOF AS TO DEATH.

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|----------------------------------|--|
| 1st. Report of Adjutant General. | 5th. Testimony of Officers. |
| 2d. Report of Surgeon General. | 6th. Testimony of Fellow Soldiers. |
| 3d. Certificate of Disability. | 7th. Testimony of Attending Physician. |
| 4th. Testimony of Army Surgeon. | 8th. Other Testimony. |

DATE OF FILING

Reissue to include
WIDOW'S BRIEF No. 2.
The child John

Carlifim & Chalm No. 137036

Soldier, *John Stone*

W. B. Gove, Ex'r

Submitted for final review

Oct. 23, 1878

Immediate cause of death,

Ad.
Oct. 25, 78.

Remote cause,

Medical Reviewer

, 187

Briefed to resume payment of suspended pension Oct 15/1866.

WAR OF THE REBELLION.

Act of July 14, 1862, and subsequent acts.

WIDOW'S PENSION.

(ORIGINAL WITH INCREASE.)

Anna or Nina Stone
John Stone

Rank, Private, widow of
Company, K.
Regiment, 129th U. S. C. V. Co.,
Kentucky.

Residence of claimant, Jefferson County, and State of Kentucky.

Post office, Mrs. Smith St. Louisville, Ky.

Attorney, C. H. Boyd, Louisville, Ky.

Fees, \$ 10.00.

No contract, and no material evidence filed since July 8, 1870.

Rate of pension, \$ 5.00 per month, commencing June 4th, 1873 the date

of last payment to claimant, and two dollars per month additional for each child, as follows:

By former marriage.	{ Born,	18	{	Commencing	18
	{ Station,	18	{		
	{ Born,	18	{		
	{ Station,	18	{		
	{ Born,	18	{		
	{ Station,	18	{		
	{ Born,	18	{		
	{ Station,	18	{		
By last marriage.	{ Born,	18	{		
	{ Station,	18	{		
	{ Born, May 9 th , 1869,		{	June 4 th , 1873,	
	{ Station,	18	{		
	{ Born, April 4 th , 1862,		{	" "	1873,
	{ Station, " 3, 1871,		{	" "	1873,
	{ Born, " 18		{		
	{ Station, " 18		{		

Payments on all former certificates covering any portion of the same time to be deducted.

ADMITTED, May 15th, 1870. C. Myers, Examiner.

APPROVED, Fortmoral of Suspension. Reviewer.

Meinhardt, Oct 22, 70. Chief of Division.

DATES SHOWN BY PAPERS.

Enlistment,	18	Widow's app. filed,	May 8 th , 1869.
Muster into rank,	Sept 19 th , 1864.	Claim completed,	November, 1869.
Discharge,	18	Former marriage of soldier,	18
Death,	July 21 st , 1865.	Death of former wife,	18
Invalid app. filed,	18	Claimant's marriage to soldier,	May 12 th , 1861.
Invalid last paid to,	18	Widow paid to June 4 th , 1873.	1873

CAUSE OF DEATH, Drowning

PLACE OF DEATH, Corpus Christi, Texas.

The report of the Special Agent, who investigated this claim exhibits conclusive proof that the claimant and soldier were joined in marriage by some ceremony claimed by them obligatory, or cohabited to date of enlistment, as per Dec. 1870 5. Service established. The claim is therefore briefed for resumption of suspended pension.

INCIDENTAL MATTER

Claimant, soldier's widow was furnished, Cert. Aug. 1906, of Feb. 3, 1873, the soldier's mother made application for pension based on the soldier's service, denying the soldier's marriage, whereupon a special investigation was ordered, which confirmed the widow's right to pension. See Special Agents Report herewith.

ALLEGATIONS OF CLAIMANT.

Other children of soldier by former wife, *not any*

Other children of soldier by claimant,

Loyalty of claimant, *averred.*

SUMMARY OF PROOF.

Former marriage of soldier shown.

The marriage of

to

is shown by

No death of former wife shown.

MARRIAGE OF SOLDIER TO CLAIMANT.

The marriage of

John Stone

to

Mary Murray

is shown by

affidavit of witnesses who were present at the ceremony. The marriage was consummated about the date of soldier's enlistment. See Report of Special Agent.

DATES OF BIRTH OF CHILDREN.

Shown by affidavit of former owner of claimant who kept a record of birth of his children in a Bible and in his possession. The birth of the child John is established by the testimony of a daughter of the former owner of claimant.

DATES OF DEATH OF CHILDREN.

Claimant alleged in her declaration made May 4, 1869 that but one child then survived the soldier, as in her application made June 6, 1873 for increase of pension she claims increase for John born April 4, 1862 and Mary born May 8, 1864.

No custody of children by former marriage shown.

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Maria denied who is the mother of the soldier. This was the first marriage of the soldier. The soldier married Mary Murray and the children were born to them. The soldier and Mary were separated, and the soldier was

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married,
with.

PROOF AS TO SERVICE.

The Adjutant General U. S. A. reports name on rolls as
also the rank, company, and regiment, and the dates of
as stated on preceding page. He also reports

PROOF AS TO DEATH.

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| 1st. Report of Adjutant General. | 5th. Testimony of Officers. |
| 2d. Report of Surgeon General. | 6th. Testimony of Fellow Soldiers. |
| 3d. Certificate of Disability. | 7th. Testimony of Attending Physician. |
| 4th. Testimony of Army Surgeon. | 8th. Other testimony. |

Incidental Matter, Continued.

Special Agent
record of
of birth of
of claimant
but that
in June
April 1873

Marie Stow, this soldier's mother, in her application for pension denied the soldier's marriage to this claimant, and the Special Agent who investigated the matter has reported as follows:
The mother was the slave of Eli Stow, and the soldier was born a slave. Claimant was the slave of H. Murray and resided with him when married. Both claimants now reside in Louisville, Ky. Soldier while hired out cohabited with claimant, then a slave of H. Murray this was in the year 1861 or 1862. (Testimony shows the year as 1861.) This cohabitation continued until soldier's enlistment. Two children were the fruit of this marriage. This cohabitation was not preceded by marriage. Claimant's owners are dead, and the colored preacher and his wife whom claimant alleges were present at her marriage are both dead. The Stow family and their former slaves know nothing of this marriage to claimant. The testimony shows that the soldier desired to marry claimant but could not obtain the consent of his former master, and the Stow family testify that consent to marry was not asked. The Spencer County witnesses testify that the soldier and claimant cohabited as man and wife to date of the soldier's enlistment, and that they were as recognized, but the Nelson County witnesses only knew that the soldier had several children by a woman in Spencer County. The Nelson and Spencer County witnesses resided twelve or fifteen miles apart, at the time of the alleged cohabitation. Testimony shows that the widow has not remarried. A transcript is excerpt from the Murray

WIDOW'S BRIEF NO. 2.

Receipt No. 197, 1864.

Sold to John D. Stra.

G. M. 1864. E.V.

From No. 57.

Submitted for final review.

May 15, 1873.

Submitted for final review.
Sept. 15, 1875.

Family Bible shows that John was born April 11, 1862 at Andover
May 9, 1864.

Reissung
No. 137036
Kentucky
Emma, or Emma Stone

WIDOW OF
John Stone
Rank Priv. Co. 1st
Regt. 122nd U.S.C.T.

Louisville Agency.
Rate per Month, \$ 8.
Commencing 22nd July 1862.
Additional sum of \$2 per Month for each
of the following children, until arriving at the
age of 16 years, commencing 25th July 1862.

John 3rd April 1862
Mariah 8th May 1862

DEED.

Deed of Purchase
Certificate dated 30th Oct. 1878.
Sent 4th Jan. 1879.
O. M. Reed
Attorney.

Set 14th July, 1862.
Book Vol. Page
Walker

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MAY 15 1915 1915
E.M.W.

AUG 5 - 1915
Reimbursement
blank of Elias F.
Schaefer M.C.
Finance

SEP 21 1915 REIMBURSEMENT blank
to Emma Grundy Hg.
Fin

REIMBURSEMENT
ALLOWED
OCT 29 1915

State of Kentucky
County of Jefferson

On this 2nd day of August A.D. 1869, before me a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid personally appeared Mamma Stone a resident of Louisville Ky. who being duly sworn according to law, she hath declared that she is the widow of John Stone Dec'd late a Private of Co K 122nd I.S.C., she further declares that she does not know the residence or Post Office address of the surgeon or any other Comrades of said deceased having the knowledge of the origin of the disease of which her said husband the said John Stone died nor can she prove by any one the origin of said disease except by J. Mays whose affidavit has been filed in her case that she has made diligent inquiry for the comrades of said John Stone and is unable to find any one having the requisite knowledge that her said husband died in the state of Texas as she has learned by current report and that it is not possible for her to prove the origin of his disease by more than one witness as above stated

attest
James Mimm
Henry Avery

Mamma Stone
mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this second day of August in the year 1869 and I hereby certify that the affiant is a credible person and resides as stated; that he is personally known to me to be a respectable ~~and~~ person, in good standing and of reputation for ~~skill and~~ integrity ~~in his profession~~; that I believe his statements are correct and worthy of full faith and credit; and that I have no interest in this matter. I further certify that the foregoing affidavit was read over, fully explained to, and understood by the affiant before the signing and execution thereof, and also, that the affiant is the identical party represented as making the affidavit.

James Burns
Notary Public Jefferson Co. Ky



Remarks—In case the Deputy authenticates the Clerk's certificate, evidence may be required to show that the Deputy is duly appointed and authorized by law to sign the Clerk's name and use the seal of the Court—therefore it is better to have the Clerk's own individual authentication at once, and thus save trouble and expense of a general authentication certificate respecting the Deputy, which might be required if the papers were authenticated by him instead of the Clerk.

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ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE.

Medical Testimony.

APPLICATION FOR

Army Pension

Act of *July 14th 1862*

Case No. *174294*

Merna Stone Applicant.

Widow of

John Stone deceased
Lt. B Co R 122nd N.S.C.
Died at Camp Chase Tex
Sept 1865

AFFIDAVIT OF

Claimant

O M Rood Attorney.

Louisville Ky



AFFIDAVIT FOR GENERAL PURPOSES IN UNITED STATES CLAIM BUSINESS.

State of Kentucky, }
County of Jefferson, } ss.

On this 10th day of September, 1867, before me, a Notary Public, within and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared Prima Stone

of lawful age, resident of the City of Louisville and State of Kentucky,

who being duly sworn according to law, on oath declares that she is the widow of John Stone deceased late a private of Co K 42^d H.S.V. And that it is not possible for her to prove the origin and cause of the disease of which said John Stone died by the Quinon or any other Commissioned Officer for the reason that she does not know the residence or Post office address of any such Officer, that the best proof that it is possible for her to make is by Contracts of the latter regiment

That the Family Physician who practiced in the family to whom herself and her husband belonged is now dead and that her said husband has never been to require a doctor after her marriage with him and that she had known him for several years previous to marriage and has never known him to be sick with any disease

Signed in presence of
Thomas Stone
Thomas Stone

Jane Stone
mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year above written, and I hereby certify that affiant Prima Stone is a respectable and credible person, and reside as stated; that

I believe Prima Stone statements are correct, and worthy of full faith and credit; and that Prima Stone know the contents of the foregoing affidavit before the signing and execution thereof, and that the affiant Prima Stone the identical person represented in making the affidavit, and that I have no interest in this matter.

NOTARY PUBLIC

James Burns
Notary Public, Jefferson County, Ky.

THE RULES of the Department at Washington require where a witness signs his or her name to an affidavit by making his or her mark (X) that two persons who can write must attend each signature, by signing their names to the left side of the name of the affiant making a mark.

The Officer administering the Oath cannot be one of the attesting parties. Thus for example:

Witness in Presence of
JOHN BROWN.
JOSEPH SMITH.

by
HENRY A. HART.
mark

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE.

State of County of SS.

I, Clerk of the Court within and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that before whom the foregoing declaration and affidavit were made, and who has thereto signed his name, was at the time of making the same, and was a duly qualified and authorized officer of the Court, and that the signature as it appears on the reverse page thereof, is genuine.

Given under my hand and the seal of County at office, this day of A.D. 18

..... Clerk.
..... Court.

James Stone
ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE.

Wrong name
Proof of *Residence*
Application for *Army Pension*

Act of *July 14th* 1862

Case No. *174884*

Mina Stone Applicant

Widow of
John Stone Deceased

Date of *14th Oct 1862* Regt.

of *U.S.C.* col.

O. M. ROOD, Attorney.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

AFFIDAVIT FOR GENERAL PURPOSES IN UNITED STATES CLAIM BUSINESS.

State of Kentucky, }
County of Jefferson, } ss.

On this 5th day of November, 1865, before me, a Notary Public, within and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared Rachael Stone & Ellen Vahell

of lawful age, resident of the City of Louisville, and State of Kentucky, who being duly sworn according to law, on oath declare that that they are well acquainted with Mema Stone the widow of John Stone deceased late a Private of Co K 122^d U.S.C. who they have been also well acquainted and that they have been for nearly five years or more near neighbors within half a mile from said Rachael Stone named on with said Mema Stone and that they were intimately acquainted with John Stone for at least five years prior to his enlistment into the service of the United States and know & cannot report that said Mema Stone was married to John Stone above named on or about the 1st day of January 1864 and that they lived together as husband and wife from that time until said enlistment that said John Stone lived at the house of Charles Furman (as a hired hand) at the Church of said Mema Stone and he often saw said parties at Church and other places and that they were regarded as husband and wife by all their neighbors and acquaintances and that for about a year previous to said enlistment said John Stone lived in the same household on the premises of Michael Murray who was the owner of said Michael Stone and hired said John Stone as a laborer that the owner of said John Stone lived about two or three miles from the premises of said Michael Murray but from about January 1860 said John Stone was hired out in the neighborhood of said Murray and that for the first two years or thereabout he lived and cohabited with said Mema Stone being separately possessed and shared with her as her husband and was intimately and closely who were not owned by the same master and after being with her as above stated in the same household that they have no interest in the matter or claims to the same or property may refer

Henry Stevens
George Starn

Rachael Stone
Ellen Vahell

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year above written, and I hereby certify that said Rachael Stone and Ellen Vahell are respectable and credible person, and reside as stated, that

I believe their statements are correct, and worthy of full faith and credit, and that they know the contents of the foregoing affidavit before the signing and execution thereof, and that the affidavit is the identical part represented as making the affidavit, and that I have no interest in this matter.

OFFICIAL SIGNATURE.

James Burns

Notary Public, Jefferson County, Ky.

THE RULES of the Department at Washington require where a witness signs his or her name to an affidavit by making his or her mark (X) that the person who can write must sign each signature, by placing their names to the left side of the name of the affiant making a mark.

The Officer administering the Oath cannot be one of the attesting parties. Thus for example:

JOHN BROWN
JOSEPH SMITH

HENRY J. HART

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE.

State of County of SS.

I, Clerk of the Court within, and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that before whom the foregoing declaration and affidavit were made, and who has therefore signed his name, was at the time of so doing a In and for the County and State above named, duly commissioned and qualified and sworn; that all the official acts, as such, are certified to full faith and credit, and that his signature, as it appears on the reverse page thereof, is genuine.

Given under my hand and the seal of this day of A.D. 18

..... Clerk, Court

Rashed Stone and Ellen Label
 ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE.

Proof of *Cohabitation*
 Application for *Army Pension*

Act of *July 14th* 1862
 Case No. *174894*
Mina Stone Applicant
Widow of John Stone Deceased
 late of *14 Co K 122^d* Regt.
 of *K.S.C.V.* vol.

O. M. ROOD, Attorney,
 LOUISVILLE, KY.



AFFIDAVIT FOR GENERAL PURPOSES IN UNITED STATES CLAIM BUSINESS.

State of Kentucky, }
County of Jefferson } ss

On this 6 day of September 1865 before me, a Notary Public, within and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared Jope May Curran Waul

of lawful age, resident of the City of Louisville and State of Kentucky who, being duly sworn according to law, on oath declare that they were well acquainted with John Stone some time late of Co. K 122nd Regt. Inf. the said Jope May says he was a HCo. 122nd Regt. Inf. the said Curran Waul says he was a Pvt. Co. 122nd Regt. Inf. and came with said John Stone at Camp Smith, Ky. that he was Comrade and intimate acquaintance and they further state that they know that said John Stone has a disease of blood and temperate habits such that he just left cold by sleeping on the ground that no beds or other things furnished to sleep upon and that his cold upon a few days settled on his lungs and he also had fever that his disease originated in there said John Stone was in the line of his duty and in no way the fault of said John Stone

they further declare that they were and had been for more than fifteen years well and intimately acquainted with the said John Stone personally and know that he has a man of good sound health up to the time of said enlistment that he has been sick to require a doctor visit some time after enlistment that we have near neighbors to him saw him almost daily and they further swear that said John Stone died at Rappahannock, Texas in September 1865. They cannot state the day that they saw him his grave and saw him buried that he have no interest in this matter nor use of any kind to influence or seduce

Signed in presence of
James H. Jones
H. Jones

Jope May
Curran Waul

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year above written, and I hereby certify that affiant, are respectable and credible persons, and reside as stated; that

I believe their statements are correct, and worthy of full faith and credit; and that they know the contents of the foregoing affidavit before the signing and execution thereof, and that the affiant are the identical parties represented as making the affidavit, and that I have no interest in this matter.

OFFICIAL SIGNATURE

James Burns
Notary Public, Jefferson County, Ky.

THE RULES of the Department at Washington require where a witness signs his or her name to an affidavit by making his or her mark (M) that witnesses who can write must affix their signatures, by placing their names to the left side of the name of the affiant making a mark.

The Officer administering this oath, cannot be one of the attesting parties. Thus for example:

Signed in Presence of
JOHN BROWN
JOSEPH SMITH.

HENRY A. BART

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE.

State of

County of

SS.

I

Clerk of the

Court within

and for the County and State aforesaid do hereby certify that before me when the foregoing declaration and affidavit were made, and who has thereto signed his name, was at the time of so doing a qualified and sworn, that all the official acts, so made, are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature, as it appears on the annexed page thereof, is genuine.

Given under my hand and the seal of

At 18

day of

this

In

Clerk

Court

ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE.

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Proof of Origin of *Admiral* OFFICE
Application for *Army Pension*

Act of *July 14th* 1862
Case No. *174,994*
Mina Stone Applicant
Widow of
John Stone Decd.
late of *14 Co K 122* Regt.
of *USCO* vol.

O. M. ROOD, Attorney.

LOUISVILLE, KY.



AFFIDAVIT FOR GENERAL PURPOSES IN UNITED STATES CLAIM BUSINESS.

State of Kentucky,

County of Jefferson,

On this 10th day of November 1864 before me, Notary Public, within and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared Susan Shindler, wife of John Shindler, both of legal age, resident of the City of Louisville, and State of Kentucky, who being duly sworn according to law, on oath declare that they are well acquainted with Minna Stone, widow of John Stone, and late a Primal of Co K 12th Regt C 18th Army, they were also well acquainted with the said John Stone, who was of Spencer City and who was the owner of said Minna Stone and that said Minna Stone lived with said John Stone above named from the first of January 1861 until both the above named Minna Stone and said John Stone died together as husband and wife from the date of their marriage (which was usual among slaves) until the enactment of said John Stone into the service of the United States in September 1864 and that two children viz John E. Mariah were born to them during said marriage and cohabitation that they were recognized as husband and wife in the neighborhood of their residence in all the known then and that the fact of their marriage was not questioned that said parties lived in a cabin by themselves for the year preceding the enactment of said John Stone. Affiants further declare that they have no interest in the matter to which this affidavit may refer the above named Susan Shindler further declares that she lived at her father's home (said John Shindler) for more than a year of the time after the commencement of cohabitation between said Minna Stone and John Stone (who was not at the ceremony of marriage) and that said John Stone always recognized the above named John E. Mariah as his children and the same signed in presence of

J. R. Shindler
Susan Shindler

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year above written, and I hereby certify that said Susan Shindler is a respectable and credible person, and reside, as stated (that Susan Shindler is a respectable and credible person, and reside, as stated) I believe these statements are correct, and worthy of full faith and credit; and that they know the contents of the foregoing affidavit before the signing and execution thereof, and that the affiant Susan Shindler, the identical parties represented as making the affidavit, and that I have no interest in the matter.

OFFICIAL NOTARY.

Wm. Burns

Notary Public, Jefferson County, Ky.

THE RULES of the Department of Washington require where a witness signs his or her name to an affidavit by making his or her mark (X) that persons who are unable to write their names sign their names in the left side of the name of the affiant making a mark.

The Officer administering the Oath cannot be one of the attesting parties. Thus for example:

JOHN BROWN
JOSEPH SMITH.

his
HENRY A. HART
mark

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE.

State of County of SS

I, Clerk of the Court within and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that before whom the foregoing declaration and affidavit were made, and who has therewith signed his name, was at the time of so doing a in and for the County and State above named, duly commissioned, qualified and sworn; that all the official acts, as such, are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature as it appears on the reverse page thereof, is genuine.

Given under my hand and the seal of the day of A.D. 18.....
 Clerk. Court.

ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE.

Proof of *Marriage & Cohabitation*
 Application for *Annulment*

Act of *July 14* 1862
 Case No. *174,994*
Mama Stone Applicant
Widow of
John Stone
 late of *Ky Co. K 122* Regt.
 of *K. S. C. I* col.

Marriage

O. M. ROOD, Attorney,

LOUISVILLE, KY.



Medical Testimony.

SINGLE AFFIDAVIT FOR GENERAL PURPOSES IN UNITED STATES CLAIM BUSINESS

A NEW RULE

The Departments of Washington shall, under a new rule, requiring every a witness sign his or her name and office, must not set such signatures to the left side of the name of the witness making a statement. This is an affidavit by making his or her mark (X) that two persons are present. **Do not administer the oath except be one of the attesting parties.** Thus for example:

JOHN BROWN.
JOSEPH SMITH.

HENRY K. HART

Sum to, subscribed, &c., **AMOS RIPLEY.**

State of Indiana County of Spencer SS.

On this 15th day of June A. D. 1886 before me John A. Howard
a Judge of the said County, within and for the County and State aforesaid, personally came
and appeared Wiley Muncy aged 68 years, a resident of the County of Spencer
Indiana, who, being by me duly sworn according to
law, on oath declares that he is the well acquainted father of John Stone Howard who
the father of John Stone Howard late a Private of Co K
122nd U.S. Infantry, who has also been a quartermaster in his
life time. That said parties were so joined as husband
and wife that during marriage life they have
born unto them one child named Mariah Stone.
Who has been on the 9th day of May 1884 that
the date of the birth of said Mariah Stone is taken
from a Family Record in the Bible in my possession
being a record of names born of said Mariah Stone
and others belonging at the time to them
that he has no interest in this matter.

McKelvey, Murray

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this Twelfth day of June in the year 1869, and I hereby certify that the affiant is a credible person and resides as stated; that he is personally known to me to be a respectable practising Surgeon or Physician, of good standing and of reputation for skill and integrity in his profession; that I believe his statements are correct and worthy of full faith and credit; and that I have no interest in this matter. I further certify that the foregoing affidavit was read over, fully explained to, and understood by the affiant before the signing and execution thereof, and also, that the affiant is the identical party represented as making the affidavit.

John S. Howard Just
of the Spencer County Court

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

This certificate should be duly returned by the Clerk to the Court.

State of Kentucky, County of Spencer, ss.
 I, Joseph B. Cox, Clerk of the County, Court within and for
 the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that John S. Hobson Esq., before
 whom the foregoing affidavit was made, and who has thereunto signed his name, was, at the time of so doing, County
Judge in and for the County and State above named, duly commissioned, qualified, and sworn; that all
 his official acts as such are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature as it appears on the reverse page hereof is
 genuine.

Given under my hand and seal of Said County, Court at Office
 in Taylorsville this 21st day of June, A. D. 1869.

Joseph B. Cox Clerk.
Spencer County Court.

Remarks.—In case the Deputy authenticates the Clerk's certificate, release may be required to show that the Deputy is duly appointed and authorized by law to sign the
 Clerk's name and use the seal of the Court—therefore it is better to have the Clerk's own individual authentication at once, and thus save trouble and expense of a general
 authentication certificate respecting the Deputy, which might be required if the papers were authenticated by him instead of the Clerk.

John S. Hobson
 ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE.

APPLICATION FOR
Release

Act of July 11th 1862

Case No.

John S. Hobson Applicant.

John S. Hobson and

John S. Hobson and

John S. Hobson

John S. Hobson

John S. Hobson

John S. Hobson

AFFIDAVIT OF

Deputy

John S. Hobson Attorney.

John S. Hobson



John S. Hobson

Louisville Ky
July 13th 1871
Hon J H Baker
Commissioner of Pension
Washington D C

Sir

In the case of
Mima Stone Widow of John Stone
Co K 12th U.S.C. Case No 174994
Allowed by Certificate No 137036
In this case proof was made by the
affidavit of the former owner McKeloy
Murray of Smithtown Spence Co Ky from
family Record (in his file) that two
children were born to said parties

By
John born April 4th 1862
Mariah " May 9th 1864

The proof in this case shows that both
the above children survive the said Soldier
that both were his children and equally
entitled yet Pension was only allowed
for one child (Mariah) Information
was called for March 21st 1871 and
now respectfully requested why
the name of John was omitted and
to know what proof is required to
establish the equal right of John with
Mariah

Respectfully

W M Rood

Case No 174,994
Certf. No 157.036

Mima Stone Ind
of John Stone Ind
Co. K 122^d U.S.C.I.

Information

Ch^d to us
Inch 27/7!

OWood atty
Louisville Ky



State of Kentucky,

County of Jefferson

On this 24 day of May 1873, before me a Notary Public, within and for the County and State aforesaid, personally appeared Justus K. Gendler residing at No. 222 May Street and

who being duly sworn according to law, on oath declares that her age is thirty years and am the daughter of McKely Murray who was the owner of Mima Stone the widow of John Stone late a private of Co K 122nd H. S. I. and that during the cohabitation of said John Stone and said Mima Stone there were born of said parents two children by

John Stone Jr who was born April 4th 1862 and Mariah Stone and that said John and Mariah were the only children of said John Stone of Co K 122nd H. S. I. who survived him at the date of his death

Affiant further says that she was present at the birth of said John Stone Jr and that the date of his birth was on the day as above stated by the record in her family Bible of the birth of her own child born a short time prior to the birth of said John

Affiant further says that said Soldier always recognized said child John as his child and that she has frequently heard said John Stone the Soldier above named call said child his son and that he was named John by the personal request of said Soldier

Affiant further declares that they have no interest in the claim of Mima Stone in which this affidavit refers
Signed in the presence of
(Two persons, who write where affiant signs by mark.)

I, James Shepherd,
Sworn to and subscribed before me this day and year above written, and I hereby certify that affiant is a lady of good
Character for truth & veracity, and reside, as stated, and

I believe her statements are correct and worthy of full faith and credit, and that she knew the contents of the foregoing affidavit before the signing and execution thereof, and that the affiant is a lady of good character and as making the affidavit, and that I have no interest in this matter.

OFFICIAL SIGNATURE

THE RULES of the Department at Washington require where a witness signs his or her name to an affidavit, by signing their names to the affidavit, of the name of the affiant making a mark

The Officer administering the oath cannot be one of the attesting parties. Thus for example:

Signed in presence of
JOHN BROWN
JOSEPH SMITH

Me
HENRY S. HART
Notary

State of

County of

SS

CLERK'S CERTIFICATE.

and for the County and State aforesaid to hereby certify that
before whom the foregoing declaration and affidavit were made, and who has themselves signed his name, was at the time of so doing a
qualified and sworn; that all his official acts, as such, are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature, as it appears on the reverse
page hereof, is genuine.

Given under my hand and the seal of
In
this day of
A. D. 18

Clerk

ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE.

Proof of *Birth of John*

Application for *Increase*

Act of *July 25th* 186*6*

Case No. *Marisa Stone* Applicant

John Stone of

late of *Ind.* Co. *1225* Regt.

of *U.S.C.A.* Vol

O. M. ROOD, Attorney,
Murray
Louisville

State of Kentucky
County of Jefferson 3rd

On this 30th day of January 1874, before me Thos. McEaster a Notary Public for Jefferson County Ky, personally appeared Washington Stone late a resident of Nelson County Ky, now a citizen of Louisville Ky, known to me by general repute to be a person of good reputation for truth and veracity who being duly sworn according to law deposes and says that he was personally well acquainted with John Stone late deceased late a sol. of Co K, 123rd Regt U.S.C. and has known him from the date of his birth, that said John Stone deceased and this affiant were members of the same family, and were living together at the time said deceased enlisted in the U.S. Army, and this affiant states positively and emphatically that said deceased was not married at the time of his enlistment. That if he had been married this affiant would have known it. That his intimacy with said John Stone deceased was of such a character as afforded him ample opportunities, of knowing

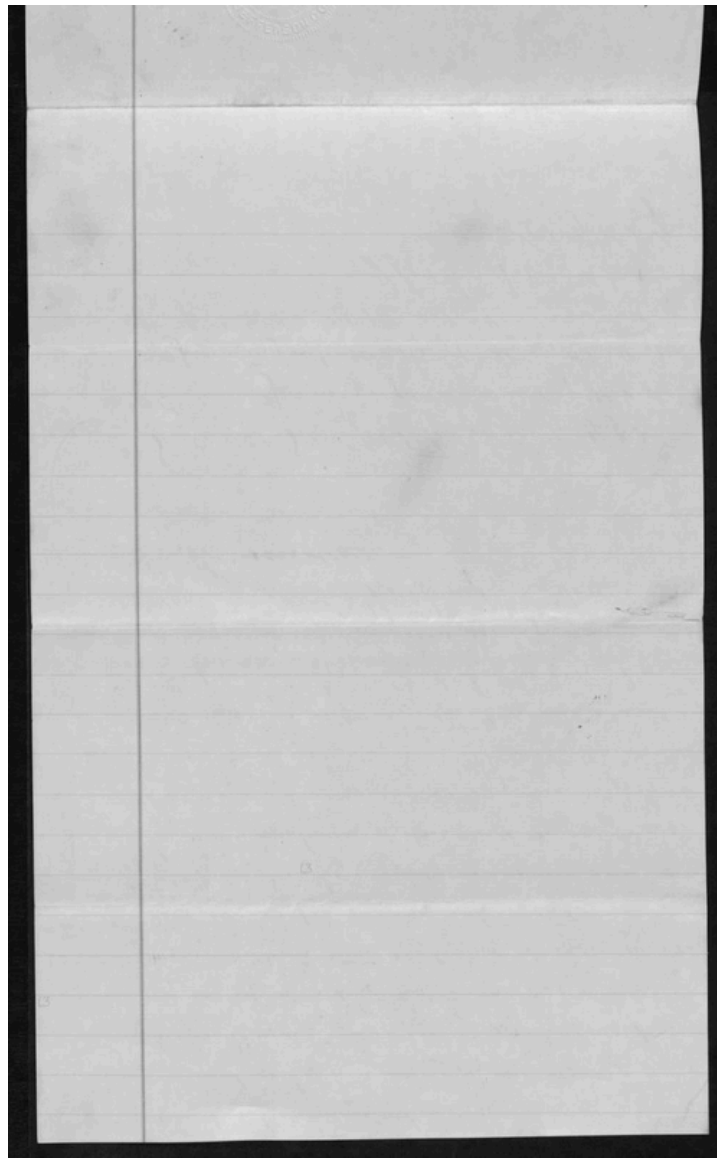
all about deceased character, conduct, & habits
and that if he had been married at or before
his enlistment this affiant would have known
all about it. That he never heard even his
nearest relations state that said deceased was mar-
ried, neither before or after he enlisted - nor was
he reputed in the neighborhood in which
he lived as being a married man - and
this affiant never heard any one say he
was married or had a wife and children
and affiant is positive that he had none -
He further states that he has no pecu-
niary interest in this matter

Attest ^{this} Washington Stone
H. L. Saunders
Sp. D. Hayes

Sworn and Subscribed to before me on this The
26th day of January 1874 and I certify that I have
no pecuniary interest either direct or indirect in
the prosecution of this claim



Thos. S. Easton
A. D. McRae





Washington D.C.
Louisville Ky

State of Kentucky
Jefferson County 3 D.S.

On this 11th day of February A.D. 1874
before me Thos. P. Lashie a Notary Public for the
County aforesaid personally appeared Harried Allen
And Betty Stone, who being respectively duly sworn
according to law depose and say that they were
both living in the vicinity of Bloomfield in
the County of Nelson state of Kentucky, the first
named being a near neighbor of John Stone late
a private of Co. K "122^d" U.S.C. Troops, and the last
named a fellow servant of said John Stone deceased
but in no way related to him, as the name would seem
to indicate. That they were respectively well acquainted
with said John Stone deceased, and know that he was
not a married man at the time of his enlistment
in the U.S. Army. That up to that time they had never
heard that said John Stone was a married man
and did not know that there was such a report in
existence until within the last year - that said
John Stone was well known among the slaves
in his neighborhood and if he had been a married
man it would have been well known among

his fellow servants and throughout the neighborhood in which he lived. That the marriage of Slaves was as notorious and well known as among the whites and if said John Stone deceased, was ever married or had a wife they never heard of it and have no hesitancy in saying that they respectively know he was not a married man at the time of his death. We further respectively state that we have no pecuniary interest whatever in the Pension claim of his mother Maria Stone -

we further respectively state that we were living in the vicinity of said John Stone at the date of his enlistment, and had lived in the vic. his neighborhood all our lives up to that time.

Attest

Wm. Sanders
Alex. Evans

Harriet Allen
Bettie Stone
mark

Sworn and Subscribed to before me and I certify that I have no pecuniary interest in the claim of Maria Stone the mother of John Stone

decrease late post co. H¹² 2^d U.S. Co. Troops

Witness my Signature and Notarial
Seal at my Office in Louisville
Kentucky this 1st day of February
A.D. 1874.

Thomas A. Easton

J.P. J. Co. Ky.



Norman Allen
& Betty Shaw.
Jepco.

State of Kentucky }
County of Jefferson } 30th.

On this 27th day of January A.D. 1874, before me Thomas A. Gaston, a Notary Public in and for the County aforesaid, personally appeared Emily Mason, and Hamilton Mason, the first named, being the daughter of Maria Stone mother of John Stone deceased, late a private Co K 122^d W. S. C. I., and the last named being the husband of said Emily, residing in the City of Louisville Ky, and known to me by reputation as persons worthy of credit, and who being respectively duly sworn according to law, depose and say respectively that, they were married and living together as man and wife in the County of Nelson State of Ky, at the time said John Stone deceased enlisted into the service of the United ^{States}, and state positively that they do know that said John Stone deceased, was not married at the date of his enlistment, that, being his Sister and brother-in-law, and living within one and one half miles of him we would have known of his marriage had such been the case. That there was a close intimacy, and frequent intercourse between these Affiants and said John Stone deceased, and they never heard of his marrying either directly from him, or indi-
over

rectly, or from any other source, that we did not even know or hear of his having improper intercourse with any woman in the neighborhood. That if said John Stone had been married we would have heard of it, because it was customary among the slaves of the country to celebrate their marriage in some way or other often they were married by colored ministers, and even if they commenced living together as man & wife without any ceremony at all, it was always published by common rumor throughout the neighborhood and especially among their relatives & friends, and was also known to their owners, and we have no hesitation in saying that said John Stone, deceased, was never married before his enlistment in the Army, and if he was ever married while in the Army we respectfully state that we never heard of it, that said John Stone was an affectionate dutiful son & a kind brother, was very communicative with his family, and had he married after his enlistment he would have communicated the fact to ~~his~~ mother, or some of his relatives, and we never heard of his marriage while in the Army nor do we believe he was married at any time during his enlistment.

Affidants further respectively state that they were living in Nelson County at the time of said John Storn's enlistment, about one & one half miles from his owner (Mrs ~~Mary~~ Storn) and that they thus had frequent opportunities of observing the actions of said John Storn & hence make these statements from a personal knowledge of the facts. We further state respectively, that we have no interest direct or indirect in the Pension claim or any other claim against the U.S. Government, of Maria Storn the mother of said John Storn.

Attest
H. H. Saunders
& Scoglan

Emily ^{his} Mason
Mark
Hamilton ^{his} Mason
Mark

Sworn and subscribed to before me on this the 27th day of January 1874 and I certify that I am not in any way either directly or indirectly interested in the prosecution of the claim to which this Affidant refers -

Thomas H. Easton
A. P. J., C. J.





Eruby &
Hamilton Mason
Louisville Ky



CLERK'S CERTIFICATE.

State of _____ ss. _____
County of _____ Clerk of the _____
and for the County and State aforesaid do hereby certify that _____
before whom this foregoing declaration and affidavits were made, and who has examined signed his name, was at the time of so doing a
qualified and sworn; that all his official acts, as such, are entitled to full faith and credit, and that the signature, as it appears on the reverse
page hereof, is genuine.
Given under my hand and the seal of _____ Court, at office _____
in _____ day of _____ A. D. 18 _____
Clerk. _____
Court, _____

*Claimant's explanation of
guiltiness to claim for child*
ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE.

Proof of Reason of Omission
of John
Application for Restoration to
Person
Act of _____ 186
Case No. 121.881
Mina Stone Applicant
John Stone Dec
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O. M. ROOD, Attorney.

Louisville, Ky.

Lancaster, Ky,

April 14th, 1875,

Hon. J. K. Baker,

Commissioner of Pensions:

In the matter
of the contesting pension claims of
Abra, mother, and Maria alleged
widow of John Stone, late priv, Co. "K,"
122nd W.I., Co. T. I have the honor to submit
the following report as the result of my in-
vestigations.

It appears that our Maria Stone, alleging
herself to be the widow of John Stone, filed
a claim for pension which was allowed
under certificate No. 137030, dated
Dec. 31, 1869. On the 31st of February
1873, our Maria Stone filed a claim
for pension, based on the same soldier's
service, alleging herself to be the mother
of said soldier and denying his marriage
to the said Maria Stone. Investigation
was ordered to ascertain the facts relative
to the soldier's alleged marriage.

The statements of the claimants are found
in Exhibits A. & B. Maria Stone
the mother was the slave of the late Eli
Stone of Bloomfield, Nelson County Ky,
and the soldier John Stone was born that

slaves of this said Eli Stow. The widow and
two children of Eli Stow still survive.

The woman Minna was the slave of
McKelvey Mearray of Waterford Spencer
County Ky, and was living with him at
the time of the alleged marriage.

Both the claimants now reside in Louisville
Ky.

The testimony of Horace Stow Exhibit 'C'
gives a good account of the soldiers whom -
about covering the time of the alleged
marriage. Her Stow's original testimony
is in his own handwriting and is
strictly correct so far as I could determine.

The Stow family is an old Kentucky family
of great respectability and the testimony
of the witness as well as that of his mother
and sister is entirely trustworthy.

It appears that Mrs Stow found the boy
John to one Charles Forman of Spencer
County, in the year 1861 or 1862, ^{and probably the former} I could not
ascertain which. He remained at her
Forman's a year and was ^{then} kept
at home a year and the following year
was hired to McKelvey Mearray a neighbor
of Charles Forman. It is quite
probable that after being at home
one year Mrs Forman again

himself the soldier and Mrs Murray lived
from the following year. The witnesses
could not testify positively on this point but
the probability is that such was the fact.
It further appears that during the first
year that John Stone lived at Mrs For-
man's he began a cohabitation with
the Minna, then a slave of Melvory
Murrays. The said cohabitation was con-
tinued up to the date of the soldier's en-
listment and two children John and
Maria were born to the parties. John having
been born April 4th 1862 and Maria May 9th 1864,
as shown by the Murray family bible
and by the family bible of Minna Stone.
It appears that this cohabitation
was not so needed by the marriage ceremony
customary among slaves. Minna Stone
claims that she and the soldier were
privately married by a colored local preacher
Henry Stone prior to the birth of the child
Maria, no witnesses being present but
Stones wife. Both Henry Stone and his wife
are now dead. I could find no witness
to corroborate the statement of the marriage.
On this point see all the testimony found
in Exhibits from "6" to "9" inclusive.
The Stone family and their slaves certainly

know nothing of the soldier's marriage
to the woman Messina. The testimony of
Charles Foreman, John L. Murray
and Oscar Brinkler, the two last named
members of the Murray family, is found
in Exhibits "B," "C," & "H." These witnesses know
nothing of such marriage. The testimony
of these witnesses and that of others is that
the parties desired to marry but the
soldier could not obtain the consent of
his mother Morae Stone. Morae
Stone and the members of the Stone fam-
ily testify that consent was never asked.

The Spencer county witnesses all testify
that the soldier and the woman Messina
lived together as husband and wife
continuously from the time the cohabitation
began up to the date of the soldier's en-
listment and that they were recognized
as husband and wife during that time.

The Nelson county witnesses did not
know of any such cohabitation
though they were aware of the fact that
the soldier had several children by a
woman in Spencer county.

I conclude from all the circumstances
of the case that there was such a recog-
nition of each other as husband and

wife as will bring the case within
the meaning of the law on the subject.
The testimony of the Spencer County witnesses
is positive to the effect that the parties
did cohabit as husband and wife from
a date prior to the birth of the child to the
date of his enlistment and that
they were recognized as husband and wife.

The difference of the opinions of the
two sets of witnesses may in a measure
be explained by the fact that they were
living twelve or fifteen miles apart at the
time of the alleged cohabitation and the
Tolson County witnesses may not have been
fully informed as to the doings of the
soldier.

The date of birth of the child is shown
by the annexed transcript taken from
the Murray family bible, as well as by the
testimony of witnesses herein.

The witness Asa Chandler also testifies
that Minnie Stone has not remarried
since the death of the soldier and my
inquiries corroborate his testimony.

I respectfully recommend that payment of
pension to Minnie Stone be resumed.

Very respectfully

L. B. Clark,

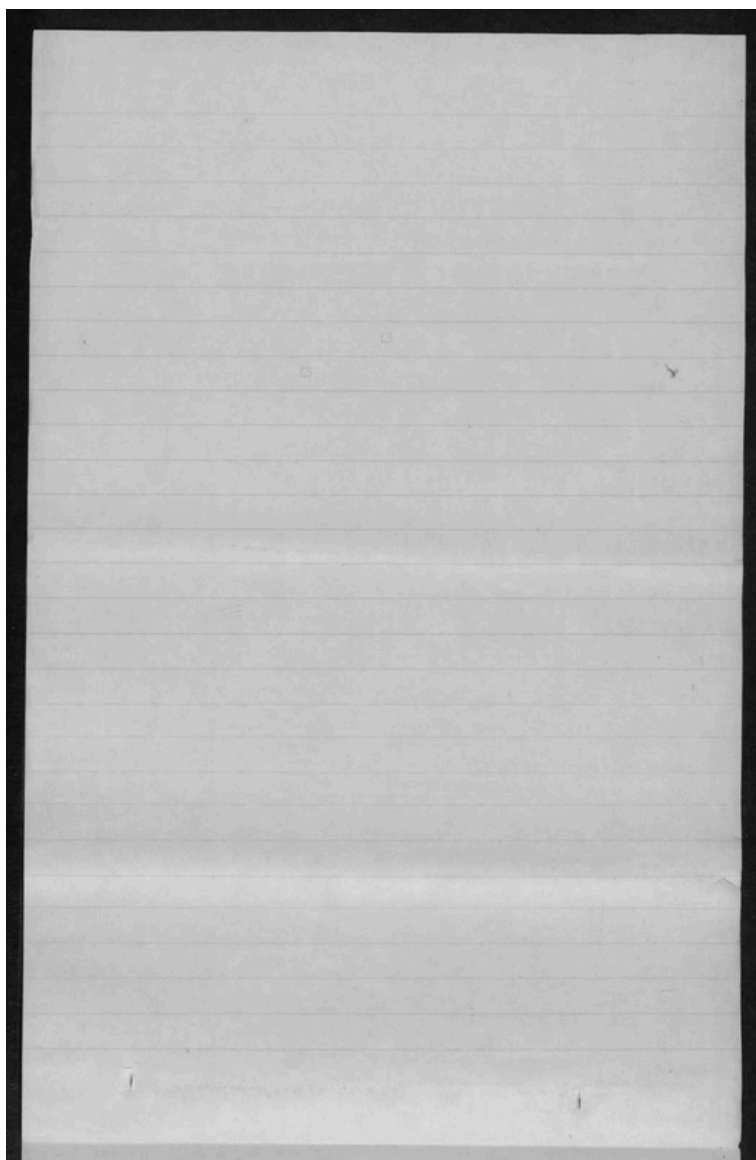
Spencer County.

EXHIBIT A.

CASE OF Maria Stone, No. 208,069.

On this 12 day of February, 1875, at
Scotsville, County of Jefferson
 State of Kentucky, before me, J. C. Black
 a Special Agent of the Pension Office, personally appeared
Maria Stone, who being by me duly sworn according to law,
 declares that her age is 65 years, that she resides at Scotsville
 County of Jefferson, State of Kentucky, and that

she is the identical Maria Stone who has filed pension claim to 208,069 as
 mother of John Stone, who was drafted into the United States Service during the war.
 Affiant cannot say in what company or regiment. Said soldier was the property of
 Mrs. Maria Stone of Nelson County Ky. who also claims affiant. He was born in
 Nelson County, was about 30 or 35 years old at the time of entering the service, was
 nearly six feet in height and was of dark complexion. At the time he was drafted
 the soldier was working for Mr. McHenry Murray of Spencer Co. Ky. The
 previous year he had been hired by Charles Townum a neighbor of Mr. Murray.
 Affiant further states that her son was never married to the best of her knowledge
 and belief, and had nobody whom he claimed as his wife, nor does affiant know
 of any woman who claimed the soldier as her husband except one Minnie Stone, late
 a slave of Mr. McHenry Murray of Spencer Co. Ky. and affiant did not hear that
 said woman claimed her son as her husband until after the war. Affiant heard
 that her son had had a couple of children by said Minnie Stone, but she never
 heard that he had married her. Affiant was living at Shelbyville Ky. about
 12 or 15 miles from Booneville, the home of her son and did not hear all
 the news concerning him. The people both white and black did not think
 that the soldier was married to Minnie Stone. Affiant further declares
 that her husband the soldier's father died before the war, and that she had never
 remarried. Affiant belonged to the wife of Eli Stone, father of Maria Stone
 and came into the Stone family at the age of about 10 years, and lived in that



family until freed during the late war. Affiant lived at Shelbyville, Ky. in the family of Dr. Otis for nearly a year, and was living there when the soldier enlisted. Affiant had no property and being a slave, her support so far as necessaries were concerned was supplied by her master. However, when she saw the soldier, sometimes gave her presents of various articles, such as shoes, dresses &c. He gave Affiant a dress that cost \$11. The year before he went into the Army. He also purchased sugar and coffee, and other articles of the kind, when he had the money. He procured money for such purposes by the sale of watermelons, and other garden produce, and by working at jobs at night, such as tying brooms &c. He sent Affiant no money while in the Army, and she did not hear from him during that time. Affiant had three other sons, and they all helped her just as the soldier did. Affiant does not claim that the soldier was her only support, or in fact that he did more than his brothers.

and further declares that he has no interest, direct or indirect, in the claim of
(S. A. Black).
S. Thom Tyler.
(Signed) Maria ^{de} Stone.
wife

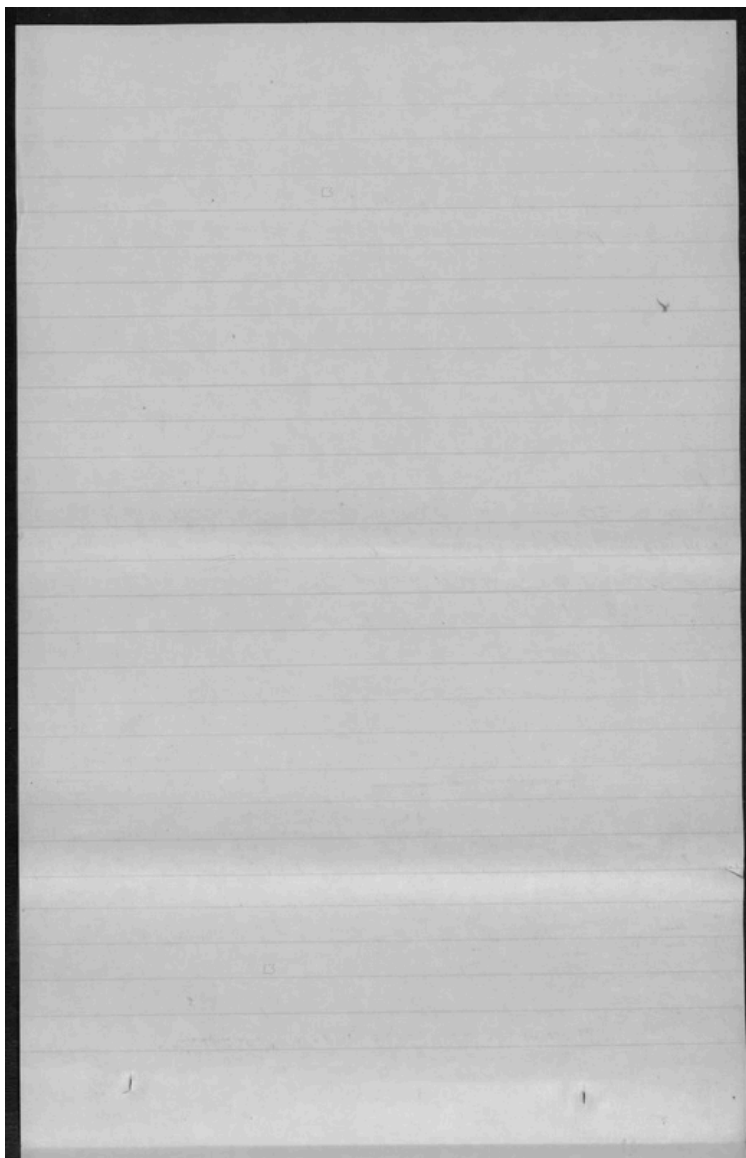
Given to and subscribed before me this 12th day of February
1875.
(Signed) S. A. Black.

Special Agent.

EXHIBIT "B."

CASE OF Nemina Stone, No. 137,036

On this 25th day of February, 1875, at
Somerville, County of Jefferson
 State of Kentucky, before me, J. C. Black
 a Special Agent of the Pension Office, personally appeared
Nemina Stone, who being by me duly sworn according to law,
 declares that her age is 40 years, that she resides at Somerville,
 County of Jefferson, State of Ky., and that
 she is the identical Nemina Stone who is pensioned under Cert. No. 137,036, as the
 widow of John Stone, Cert. No. 122-2 2d. Ed. 1st. Affiant was born in Spencer Co. Ky.
 and says as a child became the slave of McHenry Murray of said County, and re-
 mained his slave until liberated by the late war. Both Mrs. Murray and her
 wife, are now dead, but some of their children survive of whom Asaiah Shindler
 of Somerville Ky. is one, the remainder living in Spencer Co. Affiant was never
 married but once, and then to the soldier above named. Said soldier was then
 of Nemine Stone, of Adrian Co. Ky. in height he was nearly six feet, complexion
 black, was about 25 years old, drafted in Nov. 1864, and died in 1865, in
Texas. Affiant heard of his death just before Christmas but he had then been
 dead a long time. Affiant was married to the soldier the summer after the
 birth of their first child John, who was born the 5th of April 1862. Affiant and
 soldier were married privately by a colored minister, Henry Stone or the name
 of John Thomas Miller in Spencer Co. Ky. The only witness of this marriage, was the
 wife of said Miller, and both these persons are now dead. The soldier was working
 for Charles Freeman at the time of the marriage. The soldier had applied to his master,
Horace Stone, for consent to the marriage, and failed to get it, as affiant's home
 was so far from the soldier's home, Affiant's master consented to the marriage
 and accordingly it took place ^{there} at above. The soldier cohabited with affiant the
 remainder of the year in which they were married, and also the next year, while he
 was living at the home of affiant's master Mrs. Murray who had hired the soldier of his
 master. During this cohabitation the second child Mariah was born, date May
9, 1864. The soldier was drafted the fall after the birth of this child. The cohabitation



of the soldier and affiant continued from the date of their marriage, to the time of entering the service and was as close and regular as was generally the case with slaves. During the year the soldier lived at Maria's he was with affiant only of nights as he could not employ during the day at Fortmound. Affiant had had two children by other men prior to her marriage to the soldier. The soldier had been employed at Fortmound two years, first probably in 1860, then was at his masters in Nelson County a year, then the second year at Fortmound probably in 1862. Affiant met the soldier for the first time during his first year at Fortmound. Their cohabitation began this year and covered the period of the date of birth of the child John. John's child, was the child of the soldier, and was named by the soldier. During the year that the soldier lived in Nelson Co (1861) he frequently came to see affiant. Affiant had never married since the death of the soldier. The soldier was a single man at the time of his marriage to affiant. Affiant further states that when she applied to Mr. Root to get her pension for her she gave the names and ages of her children as herein, that however Mr. Root said one was born in April, and the other in May it might look as if they were born in the same year, and that he would first try for the one, and afterwards for the other, that the ages of said children are recorded in a book in affiant's possession, as taken from the Murray family bible, and that affiant has not re married since the death of her husband.

John Stone was born, April 4, 1862.

Maria Stone was born, May 9, 1864.

and further declares that he has no interest, direct or indirect, in the claim for a Pension, and further with act
S. C. Black
B. W. Wellman
(Signed) Maria Stone
mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th day of February, 1875.

(Signed) S. C. Black.

Special Agent.

EXHIBIT *C*

CASE OF _____, No. _____

On this *26th* day of *February*, 1875, at
Bloomfield, County of *Nelson*
 State of *N.Y.*, before me, *S. C. Black*

a Special Agent of the Pension Office, personally appeared

Edw. Horan Stone, who being by me duly sworn according to law,
 declares that age is _____ years, that he resides at *Bloomfield*
 County of *Nelson*, State of *N.Y.*, and that

he is the identical *Edw. Horan Stone* who testified in the pension claim of *Maria Stone*
 made date of June 22nd, 1874, and that the contents of said affidavit are true and correct
 according to the best of affiant's knowledge and belief, that *Edw. Horan Stone* the son of the
 said *Maria Stone* was nearly six feet in height of black complexion, and about
 25 or 27 years old at date of entering the service, that affiant does not recollect
 ever hearing that the said *Edw. Stone* reported to his fellow soldiers that he had
 a wife in *Spencer County* or elsewhere, nor that any woman ever claimed
 him as her husband until the contest as to pension arose, that
 the said *Edw. Stone* was as devoted to his mother as I have usually seen
 to their parents, and no doubt would have rendered his mother more
 assistance than her other children had he lived, that affiant does
 not recollect that the soldier ever rendered his mother any special assist-
 ance prior to enlistment, that such assistance perhaps was not necessary,
 as both the soldier, and his mother, were both cared for by their
 friends.

and he further declares that he has no interest, direct or indirect, in the claim
 of *Maria Stone* for a Pension; and further with me.

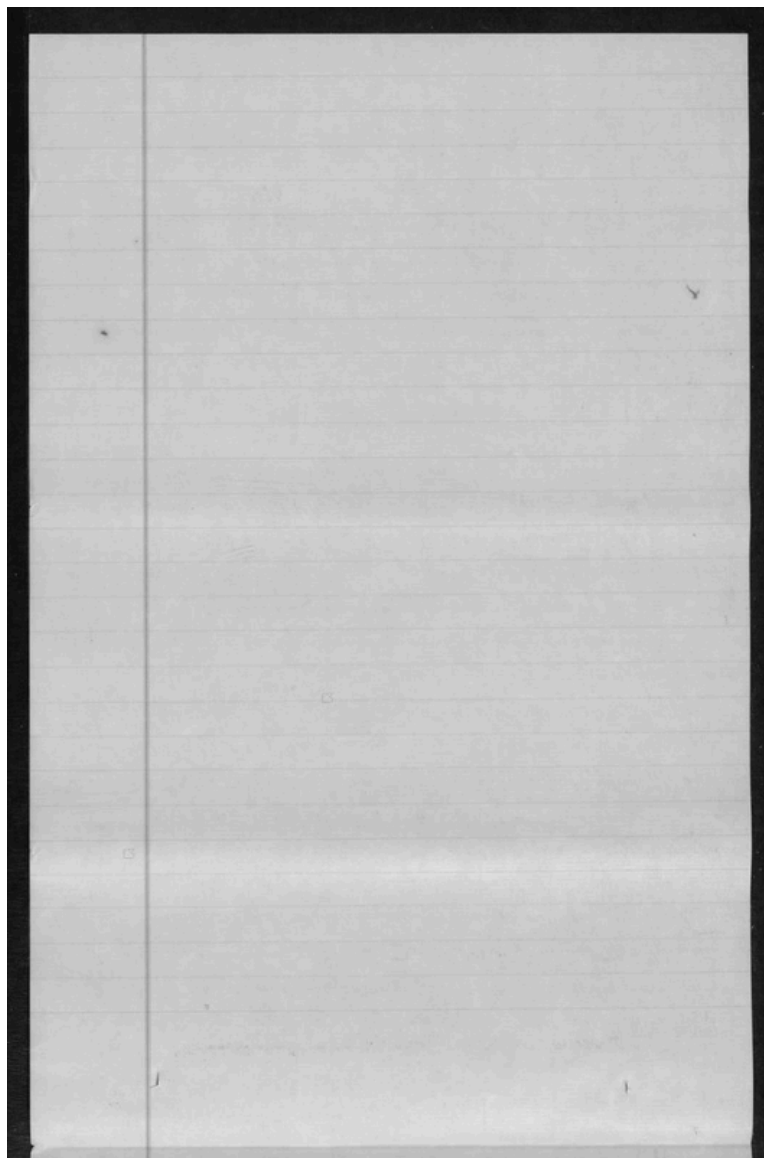
(Signed) *Edw. Horan Stone*.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this *26th* day of *February*
 1875, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to affiant before
 signing.

(Signed) *S. C. Black*,
 Special Agent.

State of Kentucky 3.
County of Jefferson 3.rd

This day personally appeared before me
Thomas A. Easton as Notary Public for said County & State
a citizen of Wilson County Ky. with whom I am personally well
acquainted, and have known since about the year 1845. and who
being duly sworn according to law depose and say that affiant
mother Mrs. Sarah Stone was the owner of John Stone Dec. late
private in Co H. 132. 4th Art. from the time of his birth till his
death, that he affiant had the control of said John & of his
affiant mother's business affairs & property for some years
before John's enlistment & death. That it was customary
for Slaves to celebrate their marriages publicly and were married
upon consent of the owners. That I never knew of one of my
own Slaves or my mother to marry without such consent, and
she always applied for a venial, pecuniary & other assistance
to purchase the wedding festival & garments. That I lived in the
same mansion with my mother from 1839 to the present time.
That John never asked consent to marry, and was not known or
suspected to have been married by me or by my mother or by
any of the Slaves belonging to the family. I understand that the
woman who claims the pension in this case lives in Spencer
some 8, or 10 miles from my residence. All I know about her is,
that I lived John in the neighborhood of the said woman
to a Mr. Freeman, at the end of the year Freeman, when
he paid me the hire, informed me that John he believed
had got a girl with child, near him. I kept John at home
the next year, and told him with what he was charged &



to the best of my memory, he denied being guilty. After buying him home
that year I hired him the next year to Nor. Hol. Norway a neighbor
of said Foreman, before the year was out. John was drafted & took
him to Lebanon some twenty odd miles in a buggy, where he was
mustered into the Service. He never intimated to me that he had
a wife, nor do I believe he ever was married, or that he regarded
that woman as his wife. I never heard of John's having a wife until
Kearick Stone his mother told me that she had applied for a pension
and that another woman claimed to be his wife & had got the
pension. Foreman will state that it was customary for
Negro men to go once or twice a week to see their wives to visit
on Wednesday & Saturday nights. That during the year between the
year that he was hired to Foreman & Norway he never applied
to me for permission to go to that neighborhood but once, nor do I
believe he went to that neighborhood but once in that year. I just
now state that I have no interest direct or indirect in the pension claim
of Kearick Stone or any other claim of that Stone.

(Signed) Edw. Norwood Stone.

Sworn & subscribed to before me on this the 30th of January, 1874
and I further certify that affiant himself wrote out the deposition
except the first few lines at the commencement.

Attest my Official Signature and Notarial Seal
of Office in Louisville Ky, this 30th day of January
1874

(Signed) Thos. A. Easton
Not. P. Ky.

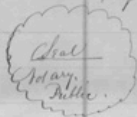
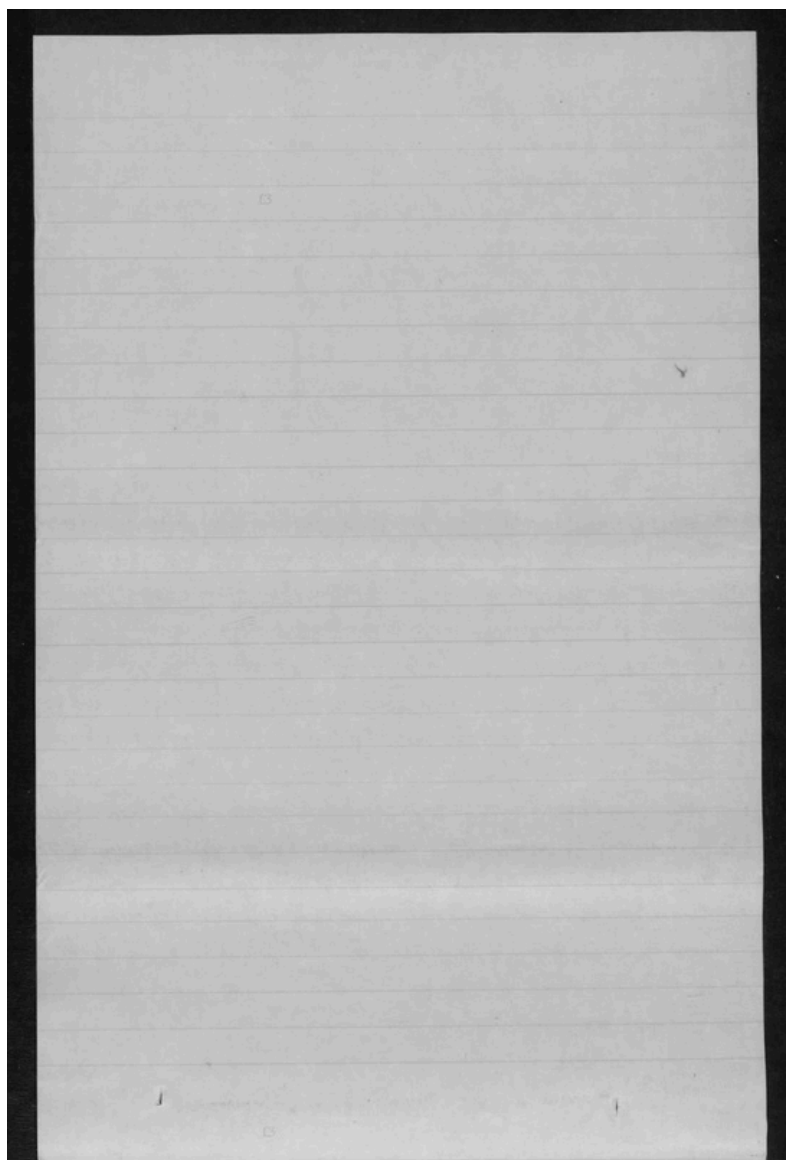


EXHIBIT 'C'

CASE OF Maria Stone, No. 222, 267.

On this 26th day of February, 1875, at
 Bloomfield, County of Nelson,
 State of Kentucky, before me, J. B. Clarke,
 a Special Agent of the Pension Office, personally appeared Sarah Stone
 & Willie Abbott, mother & daughter long by me duly sworn according to law,
 declares that their ages are years, that they reside at Bloomfield,
 County of Nelson, State of Kentucky, and that
 they are well and personally acquainted with Maria Stone, mother of John Stone,
 late of Co. H, 122nd U.S. Inf. that the affiants Sarah Stone is the mother of Mrs.
 Aaron Stone who owned the said John Stone, that both the affiants were living on the
 Stone home stead at, and prior to the date of the said John Stone's entering the service
 and therefore were well acquainted with the affairs of the said John Stone, that the
 said John Stone was a man of black complexion, six feet in height, black hair & eyes
 and about 22 years old at date of enlistment. That he was born and raised on the
 Stone farm, and lived on said farm all his life, and up to the time he was bound
 to work for one Mr. Newman a resident of Jefferson County Ky. that he was first bound
 to some one in Jefferson County Ky. early in the war, or just prior to the breaking out
 of the war, that he was absent from home for a period of about two or three years
 prior to the time he was drafted, that so far as affiants knew he was a single
 man when he entered the service, that he never was married to any woman, within
 the knowledge of the affiants, that he never expressed a desire, or asked consent from
 any body, that the said John Stone could not have been legally married according to the
 custom of slaves, without consent of his owners, that such consent never was required
 or obtained so far as affiants knew, that when a marriage was contemplated
 among colored people, the owner of the man would write a note to the owner of the
 woman relative to the proposed marriage, that the owner of the woman would
 then write a note in reply to the note of the owner of the man, either giving or refusing
 consent to the proposed marriage, that in such case if consent was obtained
 the parties would be married by a minister, or some person acting as minister
 and supper given to the wedding party, that without the consent of the owners



given as above mentioned or in some similar manner and the following ceremony
there was no legal marriage according to the usage of slaves in affiants neighborhood
that cohabitation without the said consent and ceremony was considered
illegal, that no such marriage was ever celebrated in the case of the soldier
John Stone, that the soldier never claimed any woman as his wife, so far as affiants
know, that prior to the time the soldier was drafted no woman ever claimed him
as her husband, that he did not tell among his fellow slaves, so far as affiants
know, that he was married to any woman, that when he went into the service
he sent his clothes to the affiant Sarah Stone, to be kept for him, and also asked if
he might make his home with affiants in case he returned from the Army,
that affiants never heard that the soldier was married to Minnie Stone, until a con-
viction arose relative to some claim for bounty or pension, and that in affiants opinion
the soldier was not married to any one at the date of enlistment. Affiants also state
that the soldier's father died a long time prior to the war, that the soldier sustained
the same relation to the claimant that slaves usually sustained to their mother
so far as support was concerned, that they know of no instance in which he
rendered her any special support.

and they further declare that they have no interest, direct or indirect, in the claim
of Maria Stone for a Pension; and further with me

(Signed) Sarah J. Stone,
Callie L. Everett.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 25th day of February
1875.

(Signed) S. C. Black.

Special Agent.

EXHIBIT "C."

CASE OF Nemina Stone, No.

On this 10th day of April, 1875, at
Waterford, County of Spencer
 State of N.Y., before me, S. C. Black
 a Special Agent of the Pension Office, personally appeared
John S. Murray, who being by me duly sworn according to law,
 declares that his age is 42 years, that he resides at Waterford
 County of Spencer, State of N.Y., and that
 he is a son of McHenry Murray late the owner of Nemina, a colored woman, who
 was ~~known~~ acquainted with John Stone a slave of Harriet Stone of Bloomfield
N.Y. that it is official recollection that the said John Stone was hired by his master John
Stone to Charles Towne by the year in the early part of the year, that John cannot
 say whether he was to hire one or two years, that during the time the said John
 was in the employ of Charles Towne he began a cohabitation with the
 said Nemina, that this cohabitation was continued up to the time the said
John was dropped into the river, that after the expiration of the time for which
Charles Towne had hired him the said John, Charles Towne hired him and had him
 hired at the time he was dropped, that John does not know that the said John
 and Nemina were ever united in marriage by any ceremony such as was common
 among slaves, that however they cohabited as husband and wife, claimed and
 recognized each other as such, and were so recognized, that during said co-
 habitation two children, John Nemina were born to the parties, that these children
 were recognized by the said John as his children and were believed to be his
 children, that the said Nemina had no husband prior to her meeting the said
John, that at the time she began cohabiting with the said John she had two
 children by other men.

and he further declares that he has no interest, direct or indirect, in the claim
 of Nemina Stone for a Pension; and further saith not.
 (Signed) John S. Murray.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10th day of April
 1875, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to applicant before
 signing.

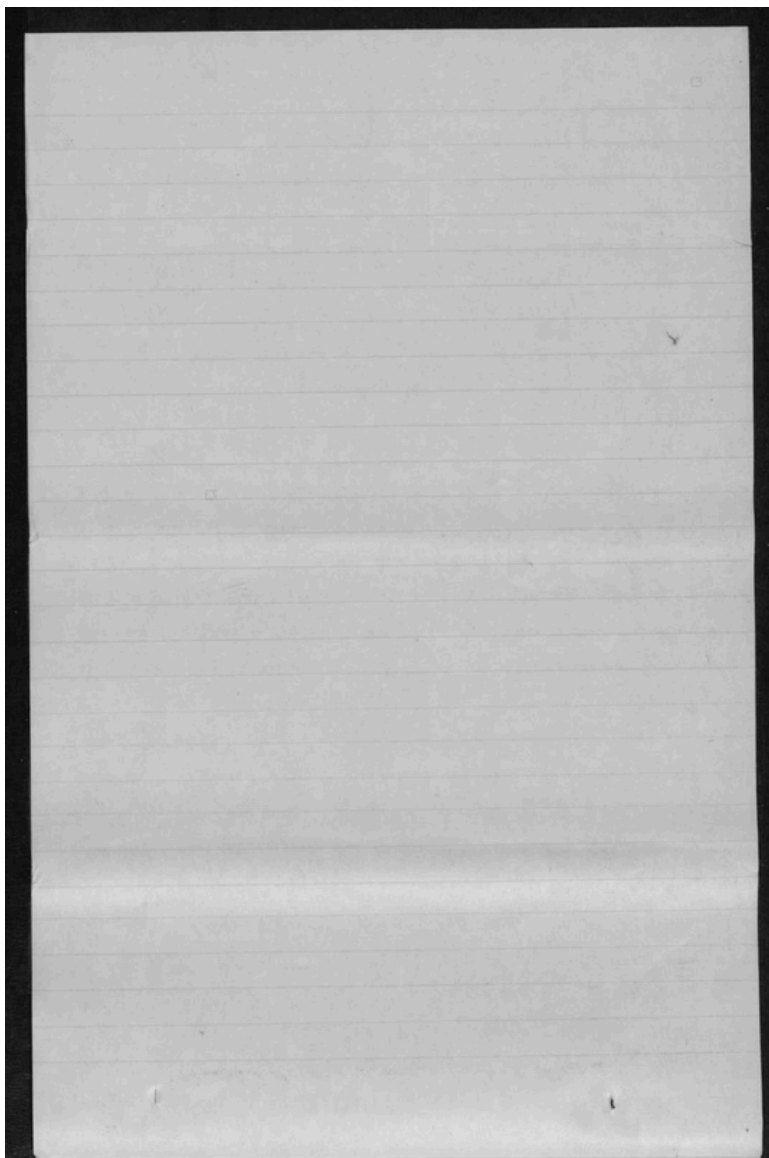
(Signed) S. C. Black.
 Special Agent.

EXHIBIT "F"

CASE OF Winn Stone, No. 437,236

On this 12th day of February, 1878, at
Scusville, County of Jefferson
 State of Ky., before me, L. C. Black
 a Special Agent of the Pension Office, personally appeared
Julian Shindler, who being by me duly sworn according to law,
 declares that his age is 40 years, that he resides at Scusville,
 County of Jefferson, State of Ky., and that

that she is the daughter of Mr. Patsy Norway (now deceased) late of Spencer
County Ky. who formerly owned Winn widow of John Stone, Post-Office No. 22 San
Andreas, and that she has consequently been acquainted with said Winn Stone
 for many years. Affiant further declares that she also knew the soldier
 above mentioned. He was nearly six feet in height, of dark complexion
 about 24 years old at time of entering the service and was owned by Mr.
Winn Stone of Wilson Co. Ky. The said soldier was hired to a daughter
 of Affiant father, Charles Farnham, by his master for a year in the early
 part of the war, and the following year was employed by Affiant father.
Affiant cannot say whether he worked two years or one year for Farnham.
 During the period of the soldier's employment with Farnham he began a
 cohabitation with the girl Winn affiant himself, and had two children
 by her. This cohabitation was not preceded by a formal marriage. Affiant
 does not know that any marriage ceremony was ever celebrated
 between them was according to the custom of Slaves. If such a
 ceremony took place, it was not known to either Affiant or
 any member of her family. The soldier desired to marry the girl Winn
 and asked and obtained the consent of Affiant father for that
 purpose. The soldier's owner however opposed the marriage for the
 reason that the distance between the houses of the Slaves was too
 great. The soldier and the girl however, began a cohabitation



and continued it up to the time the soldier was drafted. During the cohabitation the two children, John & Maria were born, the soldier recognized the children as his own, and every body believed them to be his children. The said John was born in April 1862, and Maria was born about two years later.

The story that the said soldier and the girl Maria had been married did not come out until the widow had filed her application for a pension. Affiant has no personal knowledge as to its truth. The relations existing between the soldier and the claimant would in affiant's opinion have constituted what was known as marriage among slaves. According to affiant's knowledge no formal marriage was necessary and a continued cohabitation was considered marriage. In this sense the soldier and the claimant were looked upon as husband and wife, and it is affiant's impression they were generally considered such. Affiant further declares that she has been well and intimately acquainted with Maria Stone ever since the death of the soldier and knows that she has not remarried since that date but remains his widow.

and she further declares that he has no interest, direct or indirect, in the claim of Maria Stone, for a Pension; and further with her
(Signed) Susan Chandler

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12th day of February
1877 (Signed) S. C. Black.

Special Agent.

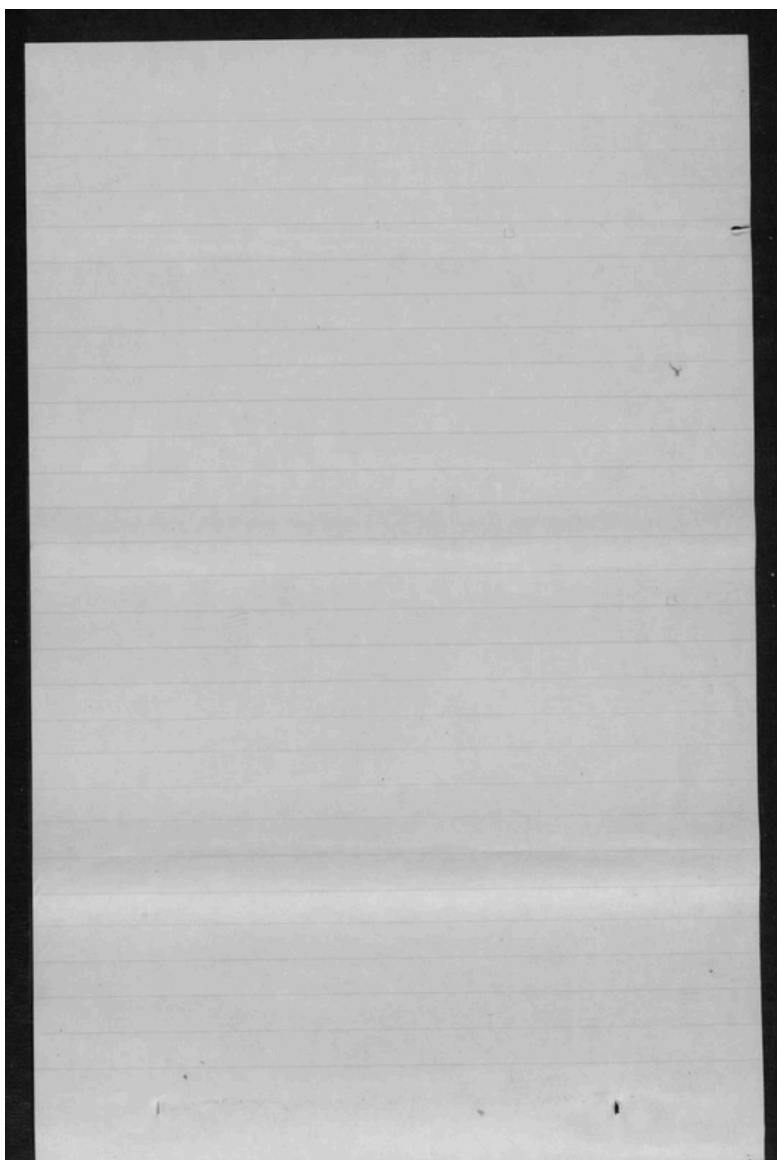
EXHIBIT 'G'

CASE OF Winnia Stone, No. 127,036.

On this 1st day of April, 1875, at
Waterford County of Spencer
 State of Irig., before me, J. C. Black
 a Special Agent of the Pension Office, personally appeared
Charles Foreman, who being by me duly sworn according to law,
 declares that his age is 47 years, that he resides at Waterford
 County of Spencer, State of Kentucky, and that

he hired one John Stone of his master Horace Stone of Bloomfield, Adams Co. Ky. to work for him in the year 1862, as well as affiant can recollect that affiant thinks he kept the said John in his employ two years in succession and that one of affiant's neighbors William Murray hired the said John of his master the following year (1864) during which the said John was drafted, that when said John came into affiant's employ he was unmarried so far as affiant knows, that in the latter part of the first year the said John was in affiant's employ he began a cohabitation with Winnie one of the said William Murray's slaves, that said cohabitation was kept up until the said John was drafted into the service, that while the said John was in affiant's employ he visited the said Winnie of nights and of Sundays, as was the custom with other married slaves that the said parties treated each other as husband and wife and affiant thinks they were so regarded that however the said parties were never united in marriage by any ceremony such as was common among slaves, that it is affiant's recollection that the parties desired to marry, but that they could not obtain the consent of John's master Horace Stone.

That during said cohabitation two children were born to the said parties, that affiant cannot state their names,



or ages, that the said children were recognized by the Soldier
as his children, and were believed to be his, that the said
Nemna was never married prior to her meeting the said
John though she then had two children by other men.

and he further declares that he has no interest, direct or indirect, in the claim
of Nemna Stone. for a Pension; and further with me
(Signed) Charles H. Foreman.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 11th day of Sept. 1875.
(Signed) S. C. Black.

Special Agent.

EXHIBIT "A"

CASE OF Maria Stone, No. 308,069.

On this 13th day of February, 1875, at
Seaside, County of Jefferson
 State of Calif., before me, S. C. Black
 a Special Agent of the Pension Office, personally appeared
Harriet Allen, who being by me duly sworn according to law,
 declares that her age is 27 years, that she resides at Seaside
County of Jefferson, State of Calif., and that
 she was late the slave of Benny Nichols of Alameda County Calif., a neighbor of
Horace Stone, and was therefore well acquainted with John Stone, who
 enlisted in the Army during the late war, Company and regiment not
 known, said Stone was about 20 years old at the time of entering the
 Army, was tall and of dark complexion. Affiant further declares that so far as
 she knows, said John never was married. He had been living in
Alameda County for a couple of years and while there it was reported that
 he cohabited with a colored girl, and had a couple of children by
 her, but it never was thought that he was married to her. He did
 not claim her as his wife and he was not regarded as married to
 her. The cohabitation referred to was not regarded as
 marriage. So far as affiant knows, there was no marriage ceremony
 ever performed between them according to the custom of Alameda.
John had been married to this girl, it would generally have
 been known, and affiant would have heard of it.

and she further declares that he has no interest, direct or indirect, in the claim
 of Maria Stone. for a Pension; and further with me
S. C. Black (Signed) Harriet Allen,
 Special Agent. ^{mark}

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 13th day of February
1875, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to affiant before
 signing.

(Signed) S. C. Black,
 Special Agent.

EXHIBIT D

Case of *Anna Stone*, No. 308,667.

On this 13th day of February, 1875, at
 Louisville, County of Jefferson,
 State of Kentucky, before me, S. C. Black,
 a Special Agent of the Pension Office, personally appeared *Hamilton Weston*
 and *Emily Weston*, ^{born ss. later so} who, being by me duly sworn according to law,
 declare that ^{age is} years, that they reside at Louisville,
 County of Jefferson, State of Kentucky, and that

they were well and personally acquainted with *John Stone*, late a soldier in the United
 States Service, Company 3, regiment 1st Tennessee Cavalry, that the affiant Emily is the daughter
 of the above named *John Stone*, mother of said soldier, that the affiant Hamilton is the
 husband of the affiant Emily and that they were both born and raised near the home
 of the soldier *John Stone*, that said *John Stone*, was 32 or 34 years old, when he
 enlisted, was nearly six feet high and of dark complexion. Affiant further
 declare that so far as they knew, the said *John Stone* never was married, that he never
 claimed any woman as his wife, and was not claimed by any woman as her
 husband. Affiant further state that the said *John Stone* had been hired out
 for several years prior to the time he was drafted, a while with *Charles Bowman* and
 subsequently with *McHenry Murray*, that during the period they did not get to
 see him very often and now not well informed as to his affairs, that they were honest of his
 marriage to *Anna Stone*, and never heard of her having children by him, until after the war.
 that if he was ever married to said woman, it was not generally known. That when colored people
 desired to get married, they were required to get the consent of their owners, and could not marry
 without it, that such consent never was obtained in this case. That it was usual among colored
 people to have formal marriage by local preachers, that on such occasions, a supper would be
 given, that no such marriage ever occurred in the case of *John Stone* and *Anna Stone*. Affiant further
 declare that they have no knowledge of any support the soldier ever rendered his mother
 that if he ever gave her presents of any kind, it was not known to them.

and they further declare that they have no interest, direct or indirect, in the claim
 of *Anna Stone*, for a Pension; and further with me,
 S. C. Black, Hamilton Weston,
 Tolbert Stone, (Signed) Emily Weston.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 13th day of February
 1875, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to affiant before
 signing.

(Signed) S. C. Black,
 Special Agent.

State of Kentucky }
County of Jefferson } S.S.

Before me J. H. Gibson
a Notary Public in and for the
County and State aforesaid and
duly Authorized to administer oaths
personally appeared Kitty Cobbs
and Emily Mason (who are personally
known to me) who being by me
duly sworn according to law, on
their oath declare that they have
known John Stone dec'd Private Co.
"K" 22nd Regt. U.S. Colored Troops, from
his (John Stone's) infancy up to the
date of his enlistment in the aforesaid
Co. & Regt. That said John Stone was
never married and never recognized
any woman as his wife and never
lived with any woman as his wife
and that he never kept or used any
woman as a mistress or concubine.
That they have understood that a woman
by the name of Jemima Murray
formerly the slave of Mr. Kel. Murray
of Nelson Co. Ky. has claimed a Pension
as the widow of said John Stone, that
they (affiants) were well acquainted
with said Jemima Murray and
that she never was married to or lived
with said John Stone. But that she
was married to a man named Jap.
Murray, who was a slave of Mr. Kel.

Murray aforesaid, that she had two
 children by said Jap. Murray, that
 said Murray was sold down the
 river before the war. That said John
 Stone, dec'd Private Co. K. 122nd U.S.C.T.
 was the slave of Eli Horace Stone of
 Nelson County Ky. near Bloomfield.
 That this affiant (Kitty Cobbs) was
 the slave of Dr. Joshua Gore, of near
 Bloomfield, Nelson Co. Ky. and this
 affiant (Emily Mason) was the slave of
 Mr. Eli Horace Stone aforesaid, of
 near Bloomfield Ky. That they (affiants,
 have known Maria Stone, mother of
 John Stone dec'd aforesaid from
 their childhood. That affiant Kitty
 Cobbs is now 32 years of age and
 affiant Emily Mason is now 35
 years of age. That they have
 tried to find out through Wm Rood
 the name of the claimant, who
 claims to be the widow of said John
 Stone, dec'd, but cannot. That they
 have no interest in the claim of
 Maria Stone for Pensions
 & Insurance } Emily & Mason
 Chauncy Miller } Kitty & Cobbs

Sworn to and subscribed before me and
 I certify that the affiants are the persons

they represent themselves to be, that
they are respectable colored people, and
are entitled to be believed. That the foregoing
affidavit was read over to and understood
by them before they signed the same by which
that I have no interest in this matter
and that a certified copy of my Commis-
sion as Notary Public is on file in
the office of the Hon. the Commissioner
of Pensions & will not expire until
January 8th 1871

Witness my hand and Notarial
seal this 20th day of September
1869

J. W. Gibson
Notary Public

Affidavit of
Kitty Hobbs
and
Emily Mason

John Stone, dec'd
Co. K. 122nd U.S.C.T.
never married or
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W. M. Carr
Attorney
Louisville Ky

Souville Ky.

April 14. 1875

Hon. J. M. Baker.

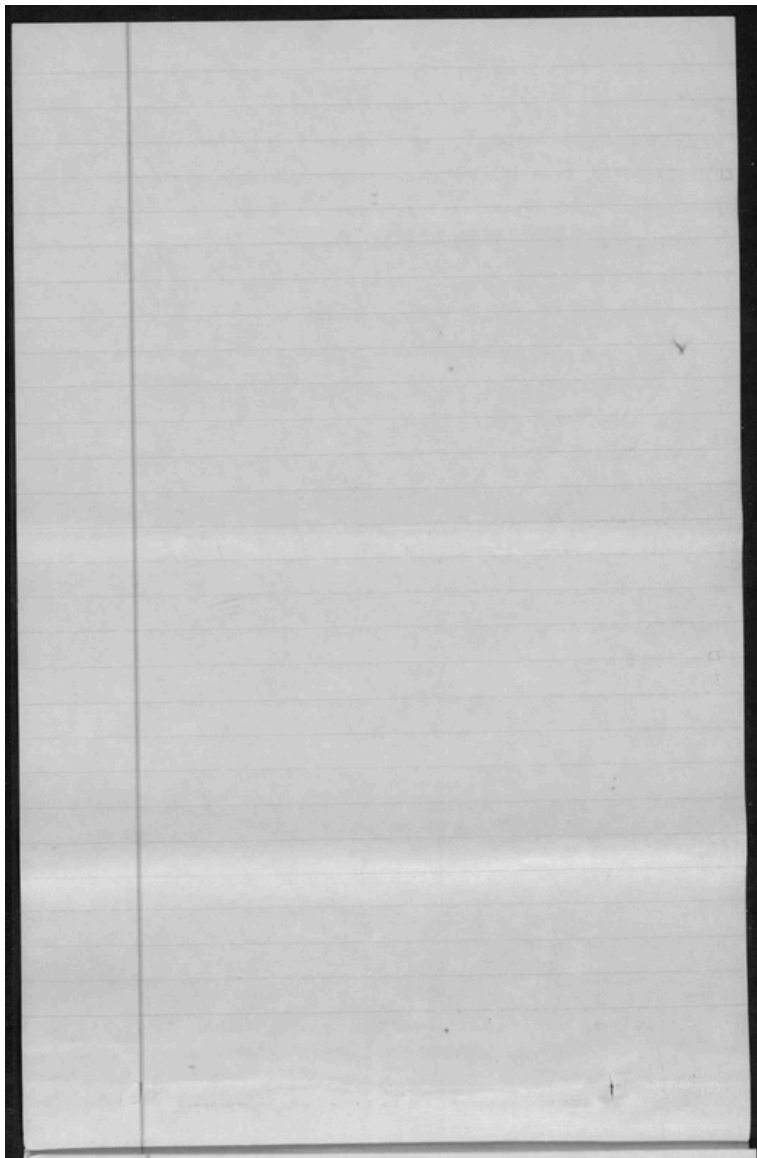
Commissioner of Pensions:

In the matter of the contested pension claims of Maria, mother, and Minna alleged widow of John Stone, late 1st Lt. U. S. 132nd Regt. Inf. I have the honor to submit the following report as the result of my investigations.

It appears that one Minna Stone alleging herself to be the widow of John Stone, filed a claim for pension which was allowed under certificate No. 137,056, dated March 3, 1869.

On the 3rd day of February 1873, one Maria Stone filed a claim for pension, based on the same soldiers service, alleging herself to be the mother of said soldier, and denying his marriage to the said Minna Stone. Investigation was ordered to ascertain the facts relative to the soldiers alleged marriage.

The statements of the claimants are found in exhibits, A. & B. Maria Stone the mother, was the slave of the late Eli Stone of Bloomfield Nelson County Ky. and the soldier John Stone was born the slave of the said Eli Stone. The widow and two children of Eli Stone still survive. The woman Minna was the son of Mr. Nelson Murray of Waterford Spencer County Ky. and was living with him at the time of the alleged marriage. Both the claimants now reside in Souville Ky. The testimony of Horace Stone Exhibit "C" gives a good account of the soldiers whereabouts covering the time of the alleged marriage. Mr. Stone's original testimony



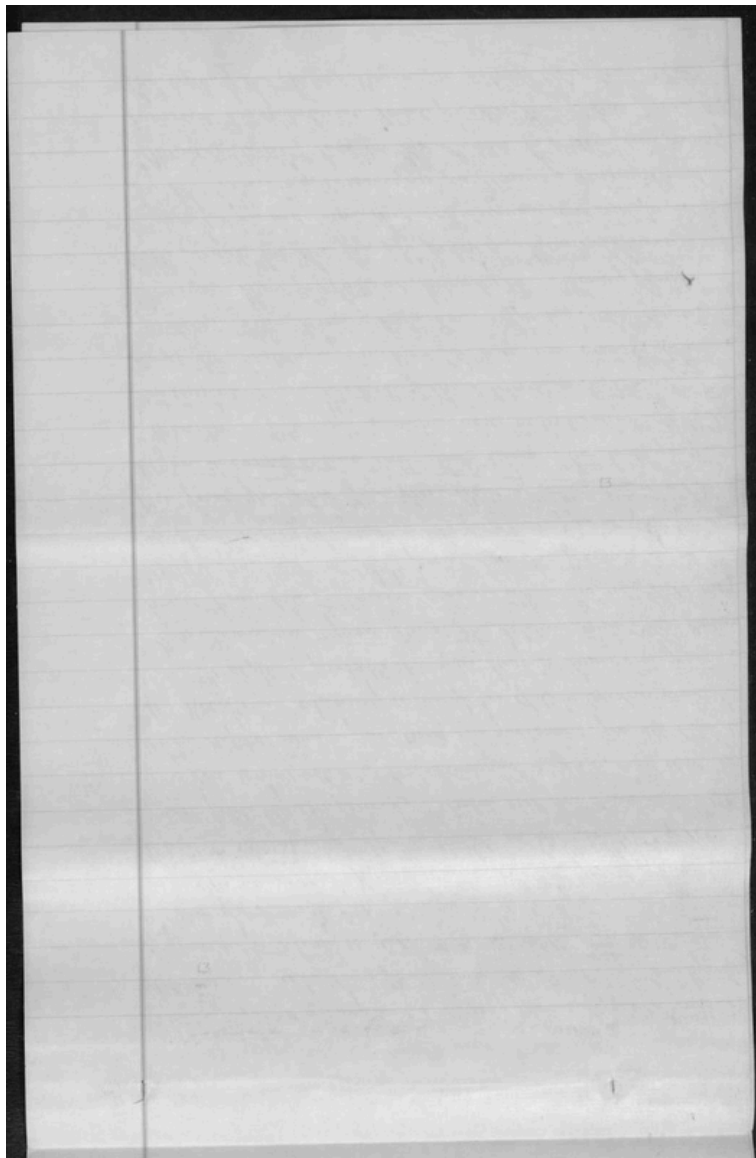
is in his own hand writing, and is strictly correct so far as I could determine. The Stone family is an old Kentucky family, and of great respectability and the testimony of the witness, as well as that of his mother and sister is entirely trustworthy.

It appears that Mr. Stone hired the boy John, to one Charles Foreman of Upper County in the year 1861, or 1862, most probably the former, I could not ascertain which.

He remained at Mr. Foreman's a year, and was then kept at home a year, and the following year was hired to Nicholas Murray a neighbor of Charles Foreman's.

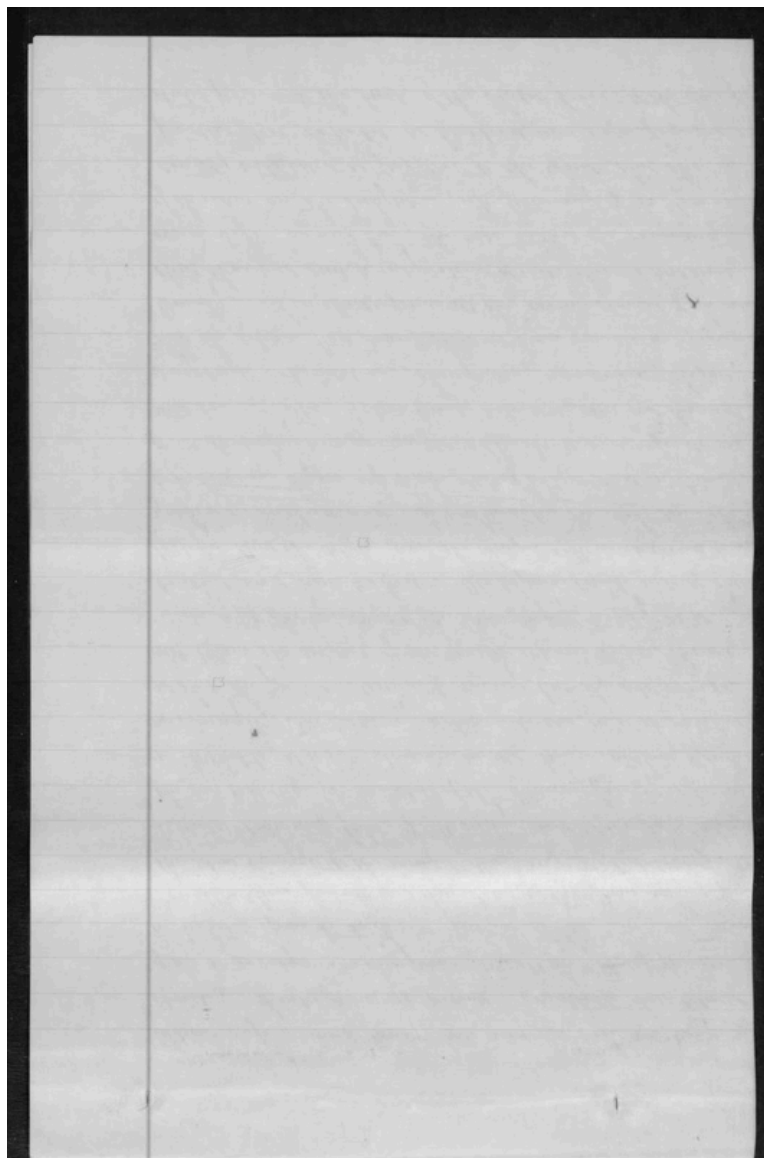
It is quite probable that after being at home one year Mr. Foreman again hired the soldier, and Mr. Murray hired him the following year. The witnesses could not testify positively on this point, but the probability is, that such was the fact. It further appears, that during the first year that John Stone lived at Mr. Foreman's he began a cohabitation with this Minna, then a slave of Nicholas Murray's. The said cohabitation was continued up to the date of the soldier's enlistment, and two children John and Maria were born to the parties. John having been born April 5, 1862, and Maria May 9, 1864, as shown by the Murray family bible, and by the family bible of Minna Stone.

It appears that this cohabitation was not sanctioned by the marriage ceremony customary among slaves. Minna Stone, claimed that she and the soldier were privately married by a colored local preacher, Henry Stone, prior to the birth of the child Maria, no witness being present but



Stone's wife. Both Henry Stone and his wife are now dead. I could find no witness to corroborate this statement of the marriage. On this point, see all the testimony found in Exhibits from C. to G.

The Stone family and their heirs certainly knew nothing of the stone marriage to the woman Norma. The testimony of Charles Newman, John S. Murray, and Susan Chandler, the two last named members of the Murray family is found in Exhibits, G. to H. These witnesses knew nothing of the marriage. The testimony of these witnesses, and that of others is that the parties desired to marry, but the soldier could not obtain the consent of his master Horace Stone. Horace Stone and the members of the Stone family testify that consent was never asked. The Spencer County witnesses all testify that the soldier, and the woman Norma lived together as husband and wife continually from the time the cohabitation began up to the date of the soldier's enlistment, and that they were recognized as husband and wife during that time. The Nelson County witnesses, did not know of any such cohabitation, though they were aware of the fact that the soldier had several children by a woman in Spencer County. I conclude from all the circumstances of the case that there was such a recognition of each other as husband and wife, as will bring the case within the meaning of the law on the subject. The testimony of the Spencer County witnesses is positive to the effect that the parties did cohabit as husband and wife, from a date prior to the birth of the child John, to the date of



his enlistment, and that they were recognized as husband and wife. The difference of ^{the} opinions of the two sets of witnesses may in a measure be explained by the fact that they were living twelve or fifteen miles apart at the time of the alleged cohabitation, and the Nelson County witnesses may not have been fully informed, as to the deeds of the soldier.

The date of birth of the children is shown by the amended transcript taken from the Hurray family bible as well as by the witnesses herein.

The witness Susan Shindler, also testifies that Norma Stone has not re-married since the death of the soldier, and my inquiries corroborated her testimony.

I respectfully recommend that payment of pension to Norma Stone be resumed.

Very respectfully
(Signed) L. C. Black
Special Agent.

EXHIBIT 'J'
CASE OF Maria Stone, No. 137086.

On this 12th day of Feb, 1875, at
Louisville, County of Jefferson,
State of Ky, before me, L. C. Black,
a Special Agent of the Pension Office, personally appeared
Rachel Ann May, who being by me duly sworn according to law,
declares that her age is 23 years, that she resides at Louisville
County of Jeff, State of Ky, and that
she is the actual person who testified in the pension
claim of Maria Stone, widow of John Stone, of case
122nd Vol. under date of April 20th 1874, and that
she is a sister of said Maria Stone. Affiant was
the sister of Charles May of Oporence Ky and was living
about six miles from her marriage when his sister
was married to the soldier. Affiant was not present at
the time of said marriage but had been informed
the Sunday prior to the marriage that her sister
and the soldier were to be married and she after-
ward heard they were married. Her sister
and affiant cohabited together as husband and
wife and they were generally considered by the
people as husband and wife. The two children
John and Maria were the children of the soldier
and recognized by him as his own. The child
John was recognized by the soldier as his own and
affiant has no doubt it was his child.

and she further declares that he has no interest, direct or indirect, in the claim
of Maria Stone for a Pension; and further with out.

L. C. Black,
Special Agent.

Rachel Ann May,
Major.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12th day of Feb,
1875, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to affiant before
signing.

L. C. Black,
Special Agent.

EXHIBIT "K"

CASE OF Maria Stone, No. 132036

On this 12th day of Feb, 1875, at
Louisville, County of Jefferson,
 State of Ky, before me,
 a Special Agent of the Pension Office, personally appeared
Ellen Lilly, who being by me duly sworn according to law,
 declares that her age is 33 years, that he resides at Louisville
 County of Jeff, State of Ky, and that
 he has been acquainted with Maria - widow of Jo Sam
Stone, since her childhood, that they lived within
 a half a mile of each other prior to and during
 the war, that offence was caused by Dr Thos Lilly
 of Opener or Ky. That offence was personally ac-
 quainted with the fact that the soldier and Maria
Stone lived together as husband and wife
 during the late war and for a period of several
 years just prior to the soldier's entering the service.
 That he said Maria Stone had two children by the
 soldier, that said children were recognized by the
 soldier as his own, that they were generally believed by the
 people to be his and that offence was no doubt they
 were his children, that said parties were never
 formally married, that offence never heard that they
 were or married, but they were looked upon by
 the colored people as husband and wife, that
 they claimed each other as husband and
 wife and treated each other as such.

and she further declares that he has no interest, direct or indirect, in the claim
 of Maria Stone for a Pension; and further with not.

L. C. Black,

Sally Miller

 For
Ellen Lilly
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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12th day of Feb
 1875, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to affiant before
 signing.

L. C. Black,

Special Agent.

S. S. D.

Collected
REPORT IN CASE,
No. 157,000.

Name *Isabella Stone Mathie*
Residence, *6 Walnut, Louisville, Ky.*

Recommendation,
*Resum pay mnd
to Anna, the widow.*
L. B. Black,
Special Agent.

Money Recovered: \$ *May 8 1875*

ACTION:

Respectfully referred to Mr.
Moore, Chief of the Division,
for his consideration,
and with the request that
if his decision is adverse
to the pensioner, he will
return the case to this Division
for dropping.

Tobias Lantieri
Chief of S. S. Div.

Investigation: Thorough.
Fair. ☒
Insufficient.

Recommendation: Approved.
Disapproved.



State of Kentucky
County of Jefferson 3 S.D.

This day personally appeared before me Thomas A. Earstin a Notary Public for this County "Eli H. Stone" a Citizen of Nelson County Ky with whom I am personally well acquainted, and have known since about the year 1845, and who being duly sworn according to law depose and says that he was the owner of John, that affiant's Mother Mr. Sarah Stone was the owner of John Stone Dec'd. from the time of his birth till his death, that he affiant had the control of said John & of this affiant's Mother's business affairs & property for some years before John's death & death. That it was customary for Slaves to celebrate their marriages publicly and were married upon consent of the owners. That I never knew of one of my own Slaves or my Mother to marry without such consent, and they always applied ^{for} ~~to~~ ^{for} permission & other assistance to prepare the wedding festival & garments. That I lived in the same mansion with my Mother from 1849 to the present time. That John never asked consent to marry and was not known or suspected to have been married by me or by my Mother or by any of the Slaves belonging

to the family.

I understand that the woman who claims the pension in this case lives in Spencer County some 8 or 10 miles from my residence, all I know about her is that I hired John in the neighborhood of the said woman to a Mr Froman. at the end of the year Froman when he let me the hire informed me that John he believed had got a girl with child near him.

I left John at home that age the next year & told him with what he was charged & to the best of my memory he denied being guilty.

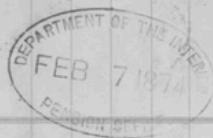
after keeping him home that year I hired him the next year to Mr Kel Merry a neighbor of said Froman. before the year was out John was drafted & I took him to Lebanon some twenty odd miles ^{where he was mounted into the service} in a buggy. He never intimated to me that he had a wife. Nor do I believe he ever was married or that he regarded this woman as his wife. I never

heard of John having a wife until Maria ^{his mother} told me that she had applied for

a pension & that another woman claimed
to be his wife & had got the pension
Furthermore, I will state that it
was customary for Negro man to
go once or twice a week to see their
wives - to visit on Wednesdays & Saturday
nights. That during the year between
the years that he was hired to Freeman
& Murry, he never applied to me
for permission to go to that neighborhood
but once nor do I believe he went
to that neighborhood but once in
that year. I furthermore state that
I have some interest direct or indirect in
the pension claim of Mariab Stone, or
any other claim of said Mariab Stone.
Edw Horace Stone

Sworn and subscribed to before me on this the
30th of January 1874 and I further Certify that Affiant
himself wrote out the deposition, except the first few
lines at the commencement -

Witness my Official Signature and Notarial
Seal at Office in Louisville Ky this the 30th
day of January 1874 -
Thos. K. Easton
Not. Pub. Ky



Eli Keanan Stone
Nelsons Key
(Bloomfield)



EXHIBIT 29

CASE OF Maria Stone, No. 25069.

On this 12th day of February, 1875, at
 Louisville, County of Jefferson,
 State of Kentucky, before me, Edw. Black
 a Special Agent of the Pension Office, personally appeared
 Maria ~~Stone~~ Stone, who being by me duly sworn according to law,
 declares that her age is 65 years, that she resides at Louisville
 County of Jefferson, State of Kentucky, and that

she is the identical Maria Stone who has filed
 pension claim No. 205,069 as mother of John
 Stone, who was drafted into the United States Service
 during the late war. Affiant can not say in what
 company or regiment. Said Soldier was the
 property of Mr. Horace Stone of Nelson County
 Ky. who also owned affiant. She was born
 in Nelson County, was about 30 or 35 years old
 at time of entering the Service, was nearly six
 feet in height and was of dark complexion.
 At the time he was drafted the Soldier was
 working for Mr. McKelvey Murray of
 Spencer Co. Ky. The previous year he had been hired
 by Charles Foreman a neighbor of Mr. Murray's.
 Affiant further states that her son was never quar-
 rine to the best of her knowledge and belief and
 had nobody whom he claimed as his wife, nor
 does affiant know of any woman who claimed
 the Soldier as her husband except one Maria
 Stone, late a slave of McKelvey Murray of
 Spencer Co. Ky. and affiant did not hear that
 said woman claimed her son as her husband.

until after the war. Affiant heard that her son
had had a couple of children by said Maria a
Stone but she never heard that he had mar-
ried her. Affiant was living at Chelbyville Ky.,
about 12 or 15 miles from Bloomfield, the home
of her son and did not hear all the news concern-
ing him. The people both white and black
did not think that the soldier was married
to Maria Stone.

Affiant further declares that her husband, the
soldier's father died before the war and that she
has never married. Affiant belonged to the wife
of Eli Stone father of Maria Stone and came into
the Stone family at the age of about 10 years and
lived in that family until freed during the late
war. Affiant lived at Chelbyville Ky. in the family of
Dr. Ates for nearly a year and was living there when
the soldier enlisted. Affiant had no property and
being a slave her support so far as necessities
were concerned was supplied by her master Maria
Stone. Her son, the soldier, sometimes gave her pres-
ents of various articles such as shoes, dresses &c.

He gave affiant a dress that cost \$11.00 the year
before he went into the army. He also purchased
sugar and coffee and other articles of that
kind when he had the money. He procured
money for such purposes by the sale of
potomellons and other garden produce and

by working at jobs, ^{rough} such as typing brooms &c.
He sent affiant no money while in the army
and she did not hear from him during
that time. Affiant had three other sons and they
all helped her just as the soldier did. Affiant
does not claim that the soldier was her only sup-
port or in fact that he did more than his brothers.

and further declares that he has no interest, direct or indirect, in the claim
of ~~for a Pension~~ ^{for a Pension}; and further saith not

L. C. Blease.

G. Thane Tyler

her
Maria ~~Stone~~
more

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12th day of Feb'y
1875.

L. C. Blease.
Special Agent.

EXHIBIT 'B'

CASE OF *Melina Stone*, No. 137036.

On this 12th day of *February*, 1875, at
Louisville, County of *Jefferson*
 State of *Kentucky*, before me, *Edw. Black*,
 a Special Agent of the Pension Office, personally appeared
Melina Stone, who being by me duly sworn according to law,
 declares that her age is 42 years, that he resides at *Louisville*
 County of *Jefferson*, State of *Ky*, and that

She is the identical *Melina Stone* who is pensioned
 under Act No. 137036, as the widow of *John Stone*, post
 No. 1229, U.S. G. V. Affiant was born in *Spencer Co. Ky.*
 and while yet a child became the slave of *McKelvey Mur-*
ray of said County and remained his slave until
 liberated by the late war. Both *Mrs. Murray* and
 her wife are now dead but some of their children sur-
 vived of whom *Susan Shindler* of *Louisville* is one.
 The remainder living in *Spencer Co.* Affiant was never
 married but once and then to the soldier above named.
 Said soldier was slave of *Vernon Stone* of *Idaho* or *Ky.* on
 night he was nearly eight, complexion black. was about
 20 years old, drafted in Nov. 1864, and died in '65
 in *Texas*. Affiant heard of his death just before Christmas
 but he had then been dead a long time. Affiant was
 married to the soldier the summer after the birth of their
 first child *John* who was born the 1st of April
 1862. Affiant and soldier were married privately
 by a colored minister *Henry Stone* on the farm of
John Thomas Miller. The only witnesses of the mar-
 riage was the wife of said *Miller* and both these
 persons are now dead. The soldier was working

for Charles Forman at the time of the marriage.

The soldier had applied to his master ~~Reuben~~ ^{Reuben} Stone for consent to the marriage and failed to get it as affiant's house was so far from the soldier's house. Affiant's master consented to the marriage and accordingly it took place as stated above. The soldier cohabited with affiant the remainder of the year in which they were married and also the next year while he was living at the house of affiant's master Mr. Murray. ~~who~~ had turned the soldier of his master. During the cohabitation the second child ~~Heardah~~ ^{Heardah} ~~was~~ ^{born}, date May 9th 1864. The soldier was ~~deported~~ ^{deported} the fall after the birth of this child. The cohabitation of the soldier and affiant continued from the date of their marriage to the time of entering the service and was as above and regular as was generally the case with slaves. During the year the soldier lived at Murray's he was with affiant all the time. Prior to that time he was with affiant only of nights as he was employed during the day at Forman's. Affiant had had two children by other men prior to her marriage to the soldier.

The soldier began a cohabitation with affiant more than a year prior to the marriage. The soldier had been employed at Forman's two years, first probably in 1860 then was at his master's in Nelson county a year then the second year at Forman's, probably in 1862. Affiant met the soldier for the first time during his first year at Forman's. This cohabitation began this year and con-

and the period of the date of birth of the child
John. Said child was the child of the soldier
and was named by the soldier. During the year
that the soldier lived in Illinois (1868) he frequently
came to see affiant. Affiant has never married
since the death of the soldier. The soldier was a single
man at the time of his marriage to affiant.

Affiant further states when she applied to the
Board to get her pension for her she gave the
names and ages of her children as herein
that however her record said as one was born
in April and the other in May it might
look as if they were born in the same
year and thus she would first try for
the one and afterwards for the other, that
the ages of said children are recorded in above
in affiant's papers as taken from the Murray
family bible, and that affiant has not re-
married since the death of her husband.

and she further declares that she has no interest, direct or indirect, in the claim
of

L. P. Savage,
B. M. M. M.

for
M. M. M. M. M.

Given to and subscribed before me this 12th day of February
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H. P. Black,
Special Agent.

John Stow was born April 4th 1862.
Maria Stow was born May 9th 1862.

EXHIBIT "C"

CASE OF

No.

On this 26th day of Feb, 1875, at
 Bloomfield, County of Nelson
 State of Ky, before me, J. C. Blaser,
 a Special Agent of the Pension Office, personally appeared
 Eli Horner Stone, who being by me duly sworn according to law,
 declares that he is _____ years, that he resides at Bloomfield
 County of Nelson, State of Ky, and that

he is the identical Eli Horner Stone who testified
 in the pension claim of Maria Stone under date
 of Jan'y 30th 1874, and that the contents of said
 affidavit are true and correct according to the
 best of official knowledge and belief, that John
 Stone the son of the said Maria Stone was nearly
 six feet in height, stout built, of black complexion
 and about 20 or 21 years old at date of entering the
 service, that affiant does not recollect ever hear-
 ing that the said John Stone reported to his
 fellow slaves that he had a wife in Oregon
 country or elsewhere and nor that any woman
 ever claimed him as her husband until the
 contest as to pension arose. That the
 said John Stone was as kind to his mother
 as slaves usually are to their parents and no doubt
 would have rendered his mother more assistance
 than brother children had he lived, that affiant
 does not recollect that the Soldier ever showed
 rendered his mother any special assistance
 prior to his death, that such assistance per-
 haps was not necessary as both the Soldier

and his mother with were both cared for by their
owner, Eli Rouse Hunt

and he further declares that he has no interest, direct or indirect, in the claim
of Maria Stone for a Pension; and further saith not

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 2nd day of Feby
1877.
C. Black.
Special Agent.

EXHIBIT ⁹
CASE OF Maria Stone, No. 208,069

On this 26th day of February, 1875, at
Bloomfield, County of Helson
State of Kentucky, before me, L. C. Black
a Special Agent of the Pension Office, personally appeared Sarah Stone
Sally Larkell Mother ~~and daughter~~
who being by me duly sworn according to law, ☐
declares that their age is years, that they reside at Bloomfield
County of Helson, State of Kentucky, and that

They are well and personally acquainted with Maria
Stone mother of John Stone, late of Co. K. 122nd U.S. I.
That the affiant Sarah Stone is the mother of
Her Horace Stone who owned the said John Stone.
That both the affiants were living on the Stone
farmstead at and prior to the date of the said
John Stone's entering the service and therefore
were well acquainted with the affairs of the said
John Stone. That the said John Stone was a
man of black complexion, nearly six feet in height,
black hair and eyes and about 22 years old at
date of enlistment. That he was born and raised on
the Stone farm and lived on said farm all his life
and up to the time he was hired to work for
our Mr. Lorman a resident of Spencer County.
My That he was first hired ^{to some one in Spencer County 1871} about the Lorman early
in the war or just prior to the breaking out of the
war, that he was absent from home for a
period of about two or three years prior to the
time he was drafted. That so far as affiants
knew he was a single man when he entered
the service. That he never was married or any

woman within the knowledge of the affiants, that
he never expressed a desire or asked consent to marry
anybody, that the said John Stone could not have
been legally married according to the custom of
slaves without consent of ~~the~~^{his} owners, that such
consent never was requested or obtained, ^{so far as affiants know} that
when a marriage was contemplated among colored
people the owner of the man would write a note to the
owner of the woman relative to the proposed mar-
riage, that the owner of the woman would then
write a note in reply to the note of the owner
of the man either giving or refusing consent to
the proposed marriage, that in such case if
consent was obtained the parties would be married
by a minister or some person acting as minister,
and supper given to the wedding party, that
without the consent of the owners given as above
mentioned or in some similar manner and
the following ceremony, there was no legal
marriage according to the usage of slaves in
affiants' neighborhood, that cohabitation with-
out the said consent and ceremony was con-
sidered illegal, that no such marriage
was ever celebrated in the case of the soldier
John Stone, that the soldier never claimed
any woman as his wife so far as affiants know,
that prior to the time the ~~off~~ soldier was drafted
no woman was claimed from as his husband

that he did not tell among his fellow slaves
that he was married to any woman, that when
he went into the service, he sent his clothes to the
officer Sarah Stone to be kept for him and also
asked if he might encase his home with af-
fiant's in case he returned from the army, that
officers never heard that the soldier was married to
Morica Stone until a contest arose relative to
some claim for bounty or pension and
that in affiant's opinion the soldier was not
married before or at date of enlistment.
Affiant also states that the soldier's family father died
a long time prior to this and that the soldier sustained
the same relation to the claimant that slaves usually
sustained to their mother, so far as support
was concerned, that they know of no instance
in which he rendered his any special support.

and they further declare that they have no interest, direct or indirect, in the claim
of Maria Stone for a Pension; and further with me

Sarah J. Stone
Sallie J. Sturitt

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 26th day of Feb'y
1875.

R. C. Black,

Special Agent.

EXHIBIT "C"

CASE OF Mima Stone, No.

On this 10th day of April, 1875, at
Waterford, County of Spencer,
 State of NY, before me, L. B. Case,
 a Special Agent of the Pension Office, personally appeared
John L. Murray, who being by me duly sworn according to law,
 declares that his age is 42 years, that he resides at Waterford
 County of Spencer, State of NY, and that
 he is a son of McKibbin Murray, late the
 owner of Mima, a colored woman, that
 affiant was acquainted with John Stone
 a slave of Norace Stone of Waterford NY,
 that it is affiant's recollection that the
 said John Stone was hired by the master Norace
Stone to Charles Foreman by the year in
 the early part of the year that affiant can
 not say whether he was so hired one or two
 years, that during the time the said John
Stone was in the employ of Charles Foreman
 he began a cohabitation with the said
Mima, that this cohabitation was continued
 up to the time the said John was drafted into
 the service that after the expiration of the
 time for which Foreman had hired the
 said John, affiant's father David Stone and
 had him back at the time he was drafted,
 that affiant does not know that the
 said John and Mima were ever united in
 marriage by any ceremony such as was
 and further declares that he has no interest, direct or indirect, in the claim
 of _____ for a Pension; and further saith not.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____
 187____, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to affiant before
 signing.

Special Agent.

EXHIBIT

CASE OF _____, No. _____

On this _____ day of _____, 187____, at _____

County of _____

State of _____, before me,

a Special Agent of the Pension Office, personally appeared

_____, who being by me duly sworn according to law,

declares that _____ age is _____ years, that he resides at _____

County of _____, State of _____, and that

common acquaintances, that however they cohabited as husband and wife, claimed and recognized each other as such and were so recognized. That during said cohabitation two children John and Maria, were born to the parties. That these children were recognized by the said John as his children and were believed to be his children. That the said Maria had no husband prior to her meeting the said John, that at the time she began cohabiting with the said John she had two children by other men.

and he further declares that he has no interest, direct or indirect, in the claim of Maria _____ for a Pension; and further saith not.

John S. Murray

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 18th day of April 1875, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to affiant before signing.

R. C. Black

Special Agent

EXHIBIT

CASE OF Maria Stone, No. 137,036.

On this 12th day of Feb, 1875, at
Louisville, County of Jefferson,
State of Ky., before me, L. P. Blaser,
a Special Agent of the Pension Office, personally appeared
Susan Shindler, who being by me duly sworn according to law,
declares that her age is 40 years, that she resides at Louisville,
County of Jefferson, State of Ky., and that

she is the daughter of McKibby Murray (now deceased)
late of Spencer & Ky., who formerly owned Minnie,
widow of John Stone, post. ex. 122nd Regt. U. S. C. L. and that she has consequently been ac-
quainted with said Maria Stone for many
years. Affiant further declares that she also
knew the soldier above mentioned. He was nearly
six feet in height of dark complexion, about
24 years old at time of entering the service and was
called by her Moraa Stone of Spencer, Ky.

The said soldier was hired to a neighbor of affiant's
father, Charles Forman, by his master for a year
in the early part of the war and the following
year was employed by affiant's father. Affiant
can not say whether he worked two years or one
year for Forman. During the period of
the soldier's employment with Forman she
began a cohabitation with the girl Minnie,
affiant's niece, and had two children by
her. This cohabitation was not precisely a
formal marriage. Affiant does not know
that any marriage ceremony was ever celebrated.

between them was according to the custom of
slaves. If such a custom ever took place it was
not known to either affiant or any member of her
family. The soldier desired to marry the girl Minnie
and asked and obtained the consent of the af-
fiant's father for that purpose. The soldier's
owner however opposed the marriage for the
reason that the distance between the ^{houses of the} slaves was
too great. The soldier and the girl however
began a ~~at~~ cohabitation and continued it
up to the time the soldier was drafted. During
the cohabitation the two children John & Maria
were born. The soldier recognized these children
as his own and every body believed them to be
his children. The child John was born in April
1862 and Maria was born about two years later.
The story that the soldier and the girl Minnie
had been married did not come out until
the widow had filed her application for
a pension. Affiant has no personal
knowledge as to its truth. The relations
existing between the soldier and the
claimant would in affiant's opinion
have constituted what was known as mar-
riage among slaves. According to affiant's
knowledge no formal marriage was ne-
cessary and a continued cohabitation was
considered marriage. In this sense

the soldier and the claimant were looked upon
as husband and wife. Affiant, familiarly looked
upon the parties as husband and wife and it
is affiant's impression that they were
generally considered such.

Affiant further declares that she has been well
and intimately acquainted with Maria Stent
ever since the death of the soldier and knows that
she has not remarried since that date but
remains his widow.

and she further declares that he has no interest, direct or indirect, in the claim
of Maria Stent for a Pension; and further with not

Susan Shindler

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 17 day of Feb
1875.

L. C. Black,

Special Agent.

Exhibit "B."

Case of *Mima Stow* No 137036,

On this the 14th day of April, 1875, at
Waterford, Spencer Co., N.Y., before
me *LeBlack*, a Special Agent of
the Pension Office, personally appeared
Charles Foreman swearing by me duly
sworn according to law and claims that
his age is 47 years that he resides at
Waterford, County of Spencer, State
of N.Y., and that he hired out *John*
Stow of his master *Thomas Stow* of
Bloomfield, Delaware Co., N.Y., to work
for him in the year 1862, as well as
affiant can recollect, that affiant
himself hired the said *John* in
his employ two years in successive
and that one of affiant's neighbors
Richard Murray
hired the said *John* of his master
the following year (1864) during which
the said *John* was drafted, that
when the said *John* came into af-
fiant's employ he was unmarried so
far as affiant knows, that in the
latter part of the first year the said
John was in affiant's employ he
began a cohabitation with *Mima* one
of the said *Richard Murray's* slaves

that said cohabitation was kept up
until the said John was drafted into
the service, that while the said John was
in affiant's employ he visited the said
Nessie of nights and of 2 or 3 days
as was the custom with other
married slaves, that the said parties
treated each other as husband and wife
and affiant thinks they were so re-
garded that however the said
parties were never united in
marriage by any ceremony such
as was common among slaves,
that it is affiant's recollection
that the parties desired to marry but
that they could not obtain the con-
sent of John's master Horace Stone.
That during said cohabitation
two children were born to the said
parties, that affiant can not state
their names or ages, that the said
children were recognized by the
soldier as his children, and were
believed to be his. That the said
Nessie was never married prior
to her meeting the said John.
Though she then had two children
by other men

affiant further declares that
he has no interest direct or in-
direct, in the personal affairs
of Emma Stone.

Charles W. Fournier

Doornbanc subscribed before me
on the 11th day of April, 1875, an-
teto having been read & affiant
before signing

D. C. Pleasance

Special Agent

EXHIBIT

No. 4

CASE OF Maria Stone, No. 243,064.

On this 13th day of Febry, 1875, at
Louisville, County of Jefferson
 State of Ky, before me,
 a Special Agent of the Pension Office, personally appeared
Harnet Allen, who being by me duly sworn according to law,
 declares that George is 29 years, that he resides at Louisville
 County of Jeff, State of Ky, and that
 he was late the slave of Henry Nichols of Wilson
County Ky, a neighbor of Maria Stone and was
 therefore well acquainted with John Stone who enlisted
 in the army during the late war, Company and Regiment
 not known, said Stone was about 20 years old at the
 time of entering the army, was tall and of dark
 complexion. Affiant further declares that so far
 as she knows said Stone never was married. He had
 been living in Spencer County for a couple of years
 and while there it was reported that he cohabited
 with a colored girl and had a couple of children
 by her but it never was thought that he
 was married to her. He did not claim her
 as his wife and it he was not regarded as
 married to her. The cohabitation referred to
 was not regarded as marriage. So far as
 affiant knows there was no marriage ceremony
 ever performed between them according to the
 custom of slaves. If Stone had been married to
 this girl it would generally have been known
 and affiant would have heard of it.
 and he further declares that he has no interest, direct or indirect, in the claim
 of Maria Stone for a Pension; and further saith not.

L. C. Black,

Notary Public

Harnet Allen

Sworn

Given to and subscribed before me this 13th day of Febry
 1875, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to affiant before
 signing.

L. C. Black,

Special Agent.

EXHIBIT 'D'

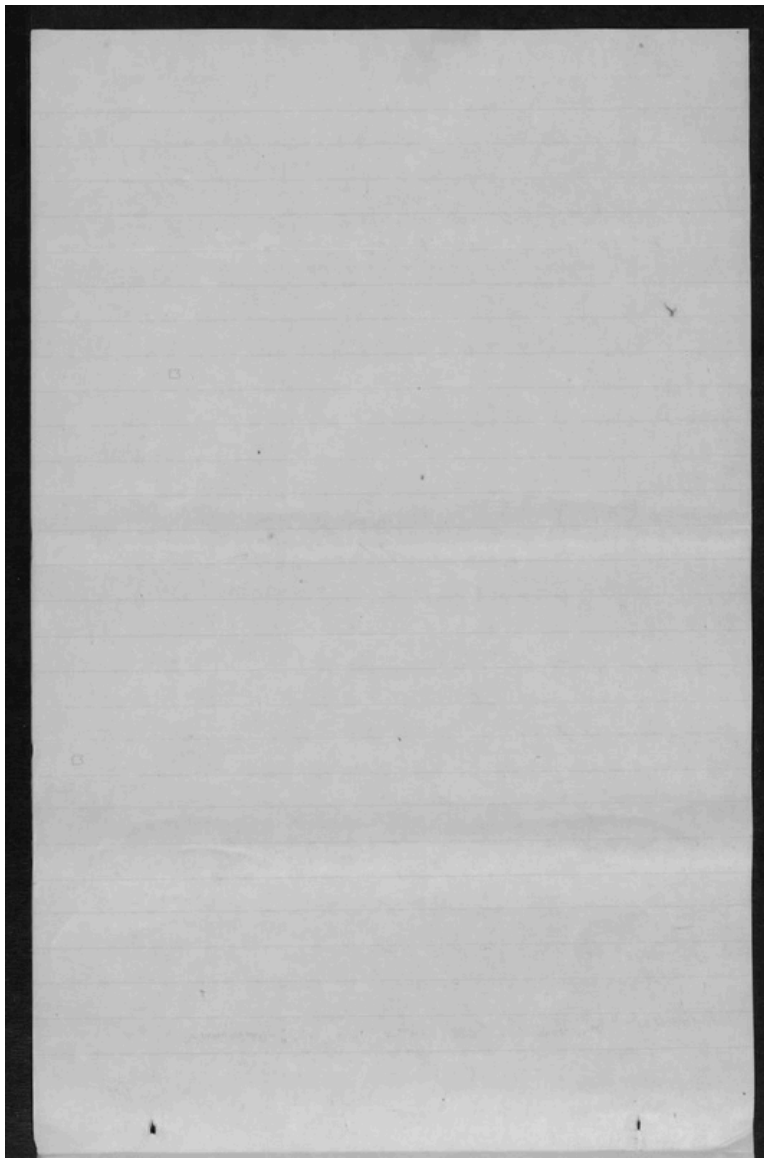
CASE OF Maria Stone, No. 288069

On this 13th day of February, 1875, at
Louisville, County of Jefferson
 State of Kentucky, before me, Leopold
 a Special Agent of the Pension Office, personally appeared Samuel H. Mason
 and Emily Mason (former W. Mason), who being by me duly sworn according to law,
 declares that she age is 20 years, that they reside at Louisville
 County of Jefferson, State of Kentucky, and that

John Stone born Dec 18th 1841
 the men well and personally acquainted with John
Stone late a soldier in the United States Service,
 company and regiment not remembered, that
 the affiant Emily is the daughter of the applicant's
 father, mother of said soldier, that the applicant
Samuel is the husband of the affiant Emily and
 that they were both born and raised near the
 home of the said John Stone, that said John
Stone was 23 or 24 years old when he enlisted, was nearly
 six feet high and of dark complexion.

Affiants further declare that so far as they
 know the said John Stone never was married, that
 he never claimed any woman as his wife and was not
 claimed by any woman as her husband.

Affiants further state that the said John Stone
 had been hired out for several years prior
 to the time he was drafted, a while with Charles
Forman and subsequently with McKelvey
Murray, that during this period they did
 not get to see him very often and were not
 well informed as to his affairs, that they
 never heard of his marriage to Maria Stone



had never heard of her having children by him
until after the war. That if he was ever man-
and-wife woman it was not generally
known, that when colored people desired to get
married they were required to get the consent of their
owners and could not marry without it. That
such consent never was obtained in the case
that it was usual among colored people to
have formal marriage by local preachers.
That on such occasions a supper would
be given, & that no such marriage ever
occurred in the case of John and
Maria Stone.

Affiant further declares that they have no
knowledge of any support the soldier ever ren-
dered his mother that if he ever gave her
presents of any kind, it was not known
to them.

and the further declares that he has no interest, direct or indirect, in the claim
of Maria Stone for a Pension, and further with not
LeBlanc, Daniel & Mason
Talbot
Stone
I swear to and subscribed before me this 13 day of April
1875.

Emile & Mason
Mason &
day of April

LeBlanc

Special Agent.

EXHIBIT *f*Case of *Nemma Stone*, No. 137, 834.

On this *15th* day of *February*, 187*8*, at
Louisville, County of *Jefferson*
 State of *Ky.*, before me, *S. C. Black*
 a Special Agent of the Pension Office, personally appeared
Rachel Ann May, who, being by me duly sworn according to law,
 declares that her age is *53* years, that she resides at *Louisville*
 County of *Jefferson*, State of *Ky.*, and that
 she is the identical person who testified in the pension claim of
Nemma Stone, widow of *John Stone* of *Co. K. 12th Ill. Inf.* under date
 of *April 30th 1869*, and that she is a sister of said *Nemma Stone*.
Affiant was the daughter of *Charles May* of *Spencer Co. Ky.* and was living
 about six miles from *Nor. Kentucky* when her sister was married to the
 soldier. *Affiant* was not present at the time of said marriage, but had
 been informed the Sunday prior to the marriage that her sister and
 the soldier were to be married, and she afterwards heard they were
 married. Her sister and the soldier resided together as husband and
 wife and they were generally considered by the people to be husband
 and wife. The two children *John* and *Nemma* were the children of the
 soldier, and recognized by him as his own. The child *John* was
 recognized by the soldier as his own, and *Affiant* has no doubt it
 was his own child.

and further declares that he has no interest, direct or indirect, in the claim
 of *Nemma Stone*, for a Pension; and further saith not.
(S. C. Black),
D. No. 137, 834. (Signed) *Rachel Ann May*
her
note

Sworn to and subscribed before me this *15th* day of *February*,
 187*8*, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to affiant before
 signing.

(Signed) *S. C. Black*,
 Special Agent.

EXHIBIT "K."

Case of Wmna Stone, No. 137, 036.

On this 15th day of February, 1875, at
Seneca, County of Jefferson,
 State of Ky., before me, S. C. Block,
 a Special Agent of the Pension Office, personally appeared
Edmon Selley, who, being by me duly sworn according to law,
 declares that her age is 33 years, that he resides at Seneca,
 County of Jefferson, State of Ky., and that
 she has been acquainted with Wmna, widow of John Stone,
 since her childhood, that they lived within a half a mile of each
 other prior to, and during the war. That affiant was owned by
Dr. Themas Selley of Jefferson Co. Ky. That affiant was personally
 acquainted with the fact, that the soldier and Wmna Stone lived
 together as husband and wife during the late war, and for a period
 of several years prior to the soldiers entering the service, that the
 said Wmna Stone had two children by the soldier, that said
 children were recognized by the soldier as his own, that they were
 generally believed by the people to be his, and that affiant had no
 doubt they were his children, that said father was never formally
 married, that affiant was aware that they were so married, that
 they were looked upon by the colored people as husband and wife,
 that they claimed each other as husband and wife and treated
 each other as such.

and she further declares that she has no interest, direct or indirect, in the claim
 of Wmna Stone. for a Pension; and further saith not.
S. C. Block (Signed) Edmon Selley
Notary Public ^{his} _{mark}

I sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th day of February,
 1875, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to affiant before
 signing.
 (Signed) S. C. Block,
 Special Agent.

No. 137,036.

REIMBURSEMENT.

Claimant Emma Grundy Pensioner Wina or Wina Stone
 Street and No. 115 W. Jefferson St. Class Widow
 P. O. Louisville Law Civil War
 State Ky. Agency Louisville
 Rate, \$ 12. Last paid to July 4 1915 at \$ 12.
 Last illness commenced Mar. 19, 1915. Date of death Mar. 22, 1915. Accrued pension \$ 19.60

AMOUNTS CLAIMED.		CHARGES APPROVED.	DEDUCTIONS.	
Physicians' bills	\$ 6 00	\$ 6 00	State aid	\$ 50 00
Medicine	2 00	2 00	Assets	
Board			Insurance	
Nursing and care			Amount waived	
Rent				
Living expenses for pensioner				
Undertaker's bill	118 00	118 00		
Livery				
Cemetery charges				
OTHER EXPENSES.			TOTAL	
			SUMMARY.	
			Charges approved	\$ 126 00
			Deductions	50 00
			Amount approved	76 00
TOTALS	126 00	126 00		

Approved for \$19.60

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J. H. Long
 Examiner.

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A. D. Prall, Rev.
M. H. Stout
 Reviewer.

APPLICATION FOR REIMBURSEMENT.

(This application, when properly executed before some officer having authority to administer oaths for general purposes, should be forwarded, together with the pension certificate and itemized list of all expenses, to the Commissioner of Pensions, Washington, D. C.)

STATE OF Kentucky,
COUNTY OF Jefferson.

On this 4th day of October, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and fifteen,
personally appeared before me, a Notary Public within and for the County and State aforesaid,
Emma Iskundy, aged 59 years, a resident of
Louisville, County of Jefferson, State of
Kentucky, who, being duly sworn according to law, makes the following declaration in order
to obtain reimbursement from the accrued pension for expenses paid (or obligation incurred) in the last sickness and burial of
Mima Stone, who was a pensioner of the United States by
certificate No. 137036, on account of the service of John Stone
(Name of soldier or sailor.)

That pension was last paid to February 4, 1915.
(Specify pension by company and regiment, etc.; if in the Army, or by the words U. S. Navy, if in the Navy.)

That the answers to questions propounded below are full, complete, and truthful to the best of my knowledge, information,
and belief, and that no evidence necessary to a proper adjustment of all claims against the accrued pension is suppressed or
withheld.

1. What was the full name of the deceased pensioner? Mima Stone
2. In what capacity was deceased pensioner? (As invalid soldier or sailor, or as a widow, minor child, dependent relative, etc.)
widow
3. If deceased was pensioned as an invalid soldier or sailor—
 - (a) Was he ever married? (Answer yes or no.) —
 - (b) How many times, and to whom? —
 - (c) If married, did his wife survive him? (Answer yes or no.) —
 - (d) If so, is she still living? (Answer yes or no.) —
 - (e) If not living, give full names and dates of death of all wives —
 - (f) Was he ever divorced? (Answer yes or no.) —
 - (g) If so, is the divorced wife still living? (Answer yes or no.) — (If living, a copy of the
decree of divorce must be filed.)
 - (h) If not living, give her full name and the date of her death —

4. Did pensioner leave a child under 16 years of age? (Answer yes or no.) no.

5. Is any such child still living? (Answer yes or no.) no

6. Were any sick or death benefits paid on pensioner's account? If so, give name of society and amount paid no
State and Brothers of Friendship paid \$50.00 death benefit to be paid in installments

7. Was there insurance (life, accident, or health) in force on life of pensioner at time of death? (Answer yes or no.) no

8. If so, give the name of each company in which a policy was carried and the amount in which each policy was written —

9. Who was the beneficiary named in each policy? —

10. What was the relation of each beneficiary to the pensioner? —

11. Were the premiums paid by the deceased pensioner? —

12. If not paid by the deceased pensioner, state the amount of premiums paid by other person who made payment on that
account —

*The pensioner's pension certificate has been lost or misplaced and
its whereabouts is unknown to this claimant. Though diligent effort has
been made to find it, it has not been seen since the pensioner's death.*

I hereby certify that all information
furnished and statements were made
before me in good faith.

Before me this 4th day of October, 1915.



13. Is there an executor or administrator, or will application be made for appointment of any person as administrator? No
14. Did the deceased pensioner leave any money, real estate, or personal property? No
15. If so, state the character and value of all such property _____
16. What was the assessed value (last assessment) of the real estate? _____
17. How was the pensioner's property disposed of? _____
18. Did pensioner leave an undivided pension check? (Answer yes or no.) _____
19. What was your relation to the deceased pensioner? Son-in-law
20. Are you married? (Answer yes or no.) Am a widow
21. What was the cause of pensioner's death? Buried
22. When did the pensioner's last sickness begin? March 19, 1915
23. From what date did the pensioner become so ill as to require the regular and daily attendance of another person constantly until death? March 19, 1915
24. Give the name and post-office address of each physician who attended the pensioner during last sickness
Dr. J. Hancock 2nd + Chestnut Sts
Louisville Ky
25. State the names of the persons by whom the pensioner was nursed during the last sickness
Emma Grundy
26. Where did the pensioner live during last sickness? 422 Marshall St Louisville Ky
27. Where did the pensioner die? 422 Marshall St Louisville Ky
28. When did the pensioner die? March 22, 1915
29. Where was the pensioner buried? Gate Hill Cemetery Louisville Ky
30. Has there been paid, or will application be made for payment to you or any other person, any part of the expenses of the pensioner's last sickness and burial by any State, County, or municipal corporation? (Answer yes or no.) No
31. State below the expenses of the pensioner's last sickness and burial. Write the word none where no charge is made in case of any item of expense noted.

(Each charge entered below should be supported by an itemized bill of the person who rendered the service or furnished any supplies for which reimbursement is demanded, and should show, over his signature, by whom paid, or who is held responsible for payment, and contain the name of the pensioner for whom the expense was incurred or service rendered.)

NAME	NATURE OF EXPENSES	STATE WHETHER PAID OR UNPAID	AMOUNT
Dr. J. Hancock	Physician	Unpaid	\$ 6 00 ✓
Emma Grundy	Medicine	Paid for by Emma Grundy	2 00 ✓
Jos H Hathaway	Nursing and care	no charge	
	Undertaker	Unpaid	118 00 ✓
	Livery	Included in Undertaker's Bill	
	Cemetery	Included in Undertaker's Bill	
	Other expenses and their nature:		
	TOTAL		\$ 126 00

32. Is the above a complete list of all the expenses of the last sickness and burial of the deceased pensioner? (Answer yes or no.) Yes

That my post-office address is No. 115, on W. Jefferson street,
town or city of Louisville, County of Jefferson,
State of Kentucky

(When the claimant for reimbursement is a married woman, she is required to sign the application with her own full name, not using the Christian name or the initials of her husband, and all bills should be receipted to her in her own name.)

Witness to Signatures
Virginia A. Burch
 7901 W. Jefferson Ave.
 Louisville, Ky.
Emma Grundy
Louise M. Burch
 703 W. Jefferson St. Louisville, Ky.

OFFICE:
Home Phone 6825
Cumb. Phone Main 791-A
RESIDENCE:
Home Phone 4082-J

Dr. J. Hancock
OFFICE
Second and Chestnut
RESIDENCE
Forty-First and Broadway

OFFICE HOURS:
9 to 10 A. M.
2 to 4 P. M.
7 to 8 P. M.

Louisville, Ky.

Sep. 28 1915

To J Hancock M.D.
To medical service rendered Emma
Stone during her last sickness
Three visits from March 19 1915
to March 23 1915 at the rate of
\$2.00 per visit 6.00 I look to Emma Gundy
for payment of this bill J Hancock

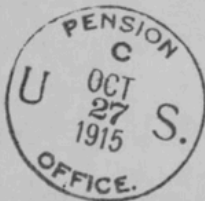
The pension accruing from date of last payment to date of
pensioner's death in this case is 19.60 and no greater
sum is available for reimbursement.

REIMBURSEMENT.

I hereby certify that I hold Emma Gundy responsible
for the payment of any portion of the accrued pension to which I
may be entitled for services rendered, supplies furnished, or money
expended during the last sickness and burial of Mama Stone,
late a pensioner by certificate number 137,036

(This need not be sworn to.)

J Hancock M.D.



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FEB 4 1915

MAY 8 1915

To the Chief, Finance Division:

You are hereby notified that check # 7486817 for \$ 36⁰⁰/₁₀₀
dated MAY -4 1915, in favor of Minna or Mina Stone
post-office
Certificate # 137036

Class Civil War

Section 5, has been returned to this office by the Postmaster
with the information that the pensioner died Mar. 22 - 1915
and said check has this day been canceled.

Very respectfully,

GUY O. TAYLOR,
Disbursing Clerk.

(D-3)

WEB.

MAY 12 1915

PLATE DESTROYED



LOUISVILLE, KY.,

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JAS. H. HATHAWAY,

FUNERAL DIRECTOR AND EMBALMER

716 SOUTH PRESTON STREET

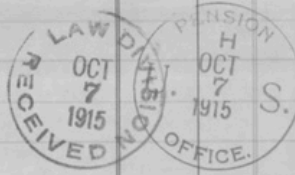
HOME PHONE CITY 3813

CALLS ANSWERED DAY AND NIGHT

RESIDENCE PHONE CITY 3825

Mar 24/15	Burial of Mumie Stone	
	Casket	50.00
10	Hair	40.00
	Embalming	10.00
	Flowers	8.00
	Box	5.00
	opening grave	5.00
		\$ 118.00

Paid in full
By Emma Grundy
Jas H Hathaway



A & N Div.
Reimb. Sec.

TJL - MAG

October 21, 1915.

Mrs. Emma Grundy,
115 West Jefferson Street,
Louisville, Ky.

Madam:

Relative to your claim for reimbursement in the case of Mina Stone, late a pensioner by Ctf. #137,636, you are requested to have the enclosed certificate signed by the doctor and returned to this Bureau.

Very respectfully,

G. M. SALTZGABER.
Commissioner.

Dist

3-871

RECORD DIVISION

Department of the Interior
BUREAU OF PENSIONS

Briefed by *PPS*

Claim No. *OK CW 2*

Certificate No. *137036*

Claimant *Minna or Minnie Stone*

Soldier *John Stone*

Service *R 1220150T*

Additional Service

FINANCE

AUG 2 1911

No claim, State records *DIVISION 191*

No claim, combination records, 191

REMARKS:

Finance
Get check 6725726

FINANCE
SEP 13 1915
BUREAU OF PENSIONS

*Fin
Jm*

Louisville, Ky, Sept. 6, 1915.

Commissioner of Pensions,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Emma Grundy, (col) is my name. I am the daughter of Mina Stone, wid. of John Stone. My mother was a pensioner and drew a pension up to the time of her death. Her last pay was Feb. 4, 1915. March 22, 1915, my mother was burned and died. I want to make application for reimbursement, but her papers were all burned or destroyed, and I do not know the number of her pension certificate, nor can I give the service of my father. But thought maybe you could give me the number of her certificate from the fact that she was last paid Feb. 4, 1915.

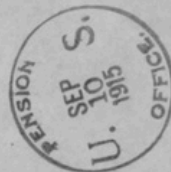
Kindly let me know if you can give me this information.

Yours truly,

Emma Grundy
Emma Grundy
115 W. Jefferson st, Louisville, Ky.



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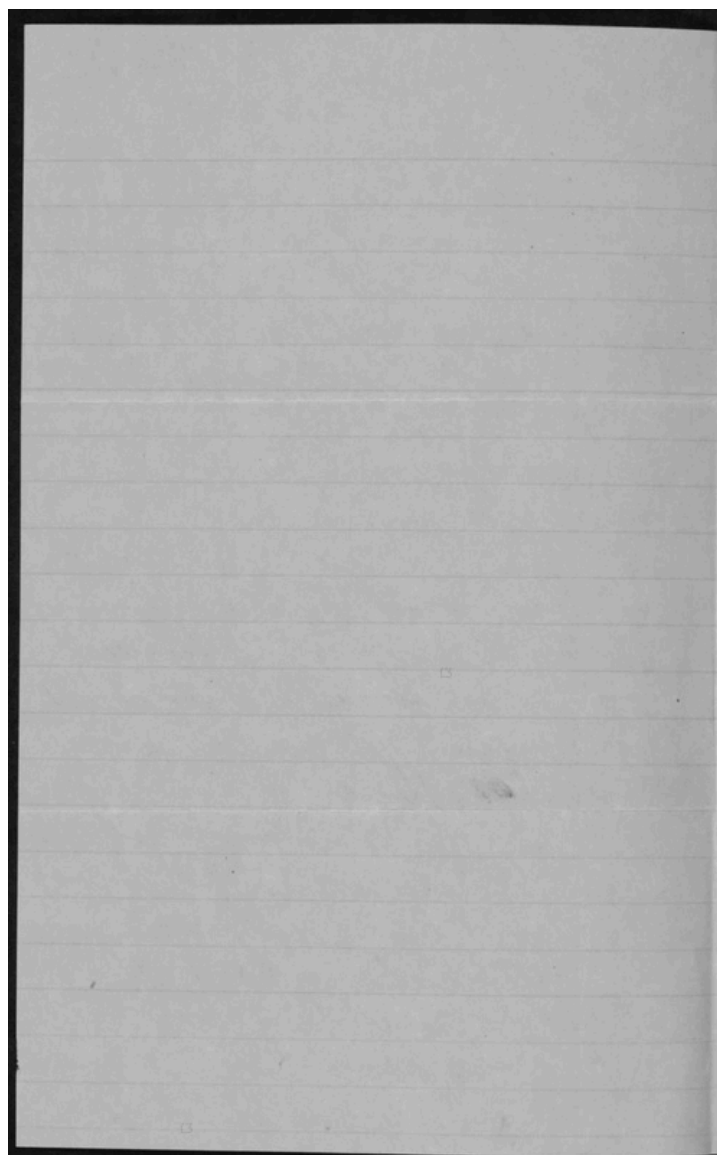




Yours truly

Low, Ky., 7/27/15.
Hon. G. W. Saltzgaber,
Com. of Pensions,
Washington,
Dear Sir,

Please send me
a blank application for
reimbursement for funeral
expenses ~~of~~ for the accrued
pension of Mirina or
Mima Stone, having
drawn as widow of soldier
in Civil war. I do not
know his rank as
certificate is lost. I do
not know her ctf #.
but the check she received
in Feb last was



numbered 6725726. Perhaps
you can find her number
by her check number.
Please send me together
with blank her etc no.
Thanking you in advance,
I am,

Yours resp'y
Chas. F. Schalte
Notary Public
128 W. Jefferson



RECORD
JUL 27 1915
DIVISION

RECORD DIVISION
JUL 28 1915
BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

REIMBURSEMENT.

Certificate No. 37936

Pensioner Mama Stone

Class WIDOW

Date of Death Mar. 22. 1915

Claimant Mrs Emma Brundy

Post Office 1501 Jefferson St

Louisville

Ky.

Received OCT 7 1915

OCT 20 1915

Letter to Clt. F. F.

allowance

15-3-22
15-2-3
1-19@12=

7.60
12.00
\$19.60
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No property

MOTHER'S PENSION.

Maria Stone

, Mother of

John Stone

Rank, Private

Company, K.

Regiment, 122^d U.S.C.T. Vols.

Residence, Jefferson County, and State of Kentucky.

Post office, Louisville, Kentucky.

Attorney, Henry W. Hawes, Louisville, Kentucky.

Fee, \$

No contract, and no material evidence filed since July 8, 1870.

Rate of pension, \$ per month, commencing , 18 , the date

of , and ending , 18 , the date

of

Payments on all former certificates covering any portion of the same time to be deducted.

Approved, Reported Aug. 5th, 1873.

C. Myers

, Examiner.

Repeated Oct. 13, 1873.

Decided

, Reviewer.

, Chief of Division.

DATES SHOWN BY PAPERS.

Enlistment, , 18 . Mother's application filed, Feb. 21st, 1873.Mustered into rank, Sept. 19th, 1864. Claim completed, Oct. , 18 .

Discharge, Oct. , 18 . Death of husband, , 18 .

Death, July 20th, 1868. Remarriage of claimant, Oct. , 18 .

Invalid app. filed, Oct. , 18 .

Invalid last paid to Oct. , 18 .

CAUSE OF DEATH, Dysentery . PLACE OF DEATH, Corpus Christi, Texas.

ALLEGATIONS OF CLAIMANT.

Not receiving a pension, averred.

Loyalty, averred.

INCIDENTAL MATTER.

This soldier died leaving a widow and minor child (whose claim for pension was admitted Nov. 26th 1869) and as the mother claims for this soldier her claim is rejected.

A special investigation having been made to determine the legitimacy of the pension granted to the soldier's widow, as per Cert. No. 137, 006, the report of the Special Agent and the evidence furnished, confirm her widow as the rightful claimant.

PROOF AS TO SERVICE.

The Adjutant General U. S. A. reports name on rolls as *John Stone*
also the rank, company, and regiment, and the date of *muster*
as stated on preceding page. He also reports

PROOF AS TO DEATH.

- 1st. Report of Adjutant General.
- 2d. Report of Surgeon General.
- 3d. Certificate of Disability.
- 4th. Testimony of Army Surgeon.

- 5th. Testimony of Officers.
- 6th. Testimony of Fellow Soldiers.
- 7th. Testimony of Attending Physician.
- 8th. Other testimony.

Incidental Matter.

Report of Special Agent, April 11th 1875: It appears that the claimant was a slave, and that the soldier was born a slave, the claimant being his mother, upon which she bases her claim to pension. She also denies his marriage to Minna Stone, the soldier's widow. Investigation was ordered to ascertain the facts relative to the soldier's alleged marriage. The Special Agent recommends the assumption of payment to the soldier's widow, Minna or Minna Stone, Certificate No 137, 036.

Synopsis of evidence as follows: E. H. Stone, testifies, that the soldier was about twenty one years old when he enlisted. Affiant does not remember that the soldier ever reported to his fellow slaves, that he had a wife.

Affiant's mother was the former owner of the soldier, and affiant resided with his mother. The soldier never asked consent to marry or was customary, and his marriage was unknown and unexpected by affiant and his mother, or by the slaves of the family. Affiant hired the soldier to a Mr. Freeman, who informed him that the soldier he believed had got a girl with child near him. Affiant kept the soldier home next year, and told him that he had been charged with getting the girl with child, which I think he denied, and the succeeding year affiant hired him to Mr. Ed Murray, a neighbor of Freeman's, and before the year was out he was drafted. The soldier never mentioned his marriage to affiant, and affiant does not think he ever married. Sarah Stone, and Sally Strett, (mother and daughter) Sarah Stone is the -
continued on next page

PROOF AS TO DEPENDENCE AND SUPPORT.

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|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1st. Non-support from husband. | 3d. Means besides property. |
| 2d. Property, and income therefrom. | 4th. Contributions of son. |

Incidental Matter, Continued.
 mother of Horace Stone who owned the soldier. The soldier was born and raised on the Stone farm, and lived on said farm all his life up to the time he was hired to Mr. Foreman of Spencer Co. He was first hired in Spencer Co. early in the war or just prior to its outbreak, and was absent from home for about two or three years before being drafted. So far as affiants know he was a single man when drafted. He could not have been married without consent of owners and he did not request said consent. Affiants believe the soldier was not married because the customary marriage and formality among slaves upon such occasions did not transpire.

John S. Murray, son of M. K. Murray, late the owner of Minna, who claims pension as the soldier's widow, testifies concerning the former testimony as to the hiring of the soldier, and testifies that during the time the soldier was in the employ of Charles Foreman he cohabited with Minna, and that his cohabitation continued up to the time the soldier was drafted. That after the time for which Foreman had hired him affiants father hired the soldier, and hired him at the time he was drafted. The soldier and Minna cohabited as husband and wife, but were not united by any ceremony as was common among slaves. They claimed and recognized each other as husband and wife, and were so recognized. During the cohabitation they had two children, John, and Maria, which the soldier recognized as his children.

Susan Shindler, daughter of M. K. Murray, testifies, substantially the same as her brother John S. Murray, as to the soldier's being hired, and as to his cohabitation with Minna, also that he had two children by her. The soldier was not married to Minna, but asked and obtained the consent of affiants father for that purpose. The soldier never opposed the marriage because of the distance between the two houses. The cohabitation continued until the soldier was drafted, during which time the two children John, and Maria, were born, and the soldier recognized the children as his own. John was born in April 1862, and Maria was born two years later. The relations

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MOTHER'S BRIEF.

Case No. 200,069.

Solider, John Smith

W. Allen, Jr.

Room No. 49.

Albany, Aug. 5, 1893

Remitted to the State Prison

May 11, 1895.

Remitted to the State Prison

Room of appeal

Oct. 14, 1895

Albany, N.Y.

De Stetson

Albany, N.Y.

Albany, N.Y.

between the soldier and claimant Minna Stone, as they existed would have constituted what was known among slaves as marriage. Chas. H. Brown, testifies, that he hired the soldier as near as he can recollect in the year 1862, and for two years in succession, and that his neighbor M. Kellogg Murray hired the soldier the following years 1863, during which the soldier was drafted.

During the latter part of the first year the soldier was in affiant's employ he began cohabiting with Minna, one of MCK Murray's slaves, and continued to cohabit with her until the soldier was drafted into the service. During said cohabitation two children were born to them, which the soldier recognized as his own.

Harriet Allen, formerly a slave, also Hamilton Mason, testify, that they had no knowledge of the soldier's marriage to Minna Stone. These affiants are colored people and relatives or neighbors of the soldier.

Ann May, testifies, that she is a sister of Minna Stone, and lived about six miles from Mr. Murray, when her sister was married to the soldier. Affiant was not present at the marriage but heard it was to happen, and afterward that it had occurred.

They cohabited and recognized the children as the soldier's. The soldier recognizes the child John as his own.

Ellen Lilly, testifies, that the soldier and Minna Stone cohabited and had two children, whom the soldier recognizes as his own, but that they were not married, although regarded as husband and wife by the colored people.

Mother's Claim for Pension.

The State of Kentucky, County of Jefferson, ss.

On this 12th day of May, A. D., 1868,
personally appeared before me J. J. [unclear] Clerk of the
County of [unclear], a Court of Record within and for said County,
Maria Stone, aged 68 years, a resident of
Louisville, in the County of Jefferson, and State
of Kentucky, who, being first duly sworn according to law,
doth on her oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefits of the provi-
sions made by the act of Congress approved July 11, 1863:

That she is the widow of Judith Hammond
deceased, and mother of John Stone, deceased, who
was a Private in Company K, commanded by Company
122nd U. S. Gazette, in the 122nd Regiment of U. S. Colored
Infantry, commanded by Colonel John R. Anderson
in the year of 1861, who died at Richmond Hospital in
the State of Texas, and while in the
line of duty.

while in the line of duty in the service of the United States.

She further declares, that her said son, upon whom she was in part
dependent for support, having left no widow or minor child under sixteen years of age sur-
viving, declarant makes this application for a Pension under the above-mentioned act,
and refers to the evidence filed herewith, and that in the proper department to establish her
claim.

She also declares, that she has not, in any way, been engaged in, or aided or abetted, the
Rebellion in the United States; that she is not in receipt of a pension under the second sec-
tion of the act above-mentioned, or under any other act, nor has she again married since the
death of her son, the said John Stone.

J. J. [unclear]
for [unclear]
Also, personally appeared Mary Lee mark and
Married Allen, residents of Louisville
in the County of Jefferson, and State of Kentucky.

persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me duly
sworn, say that they were present and saw Maria Stone sign her
name, by mark, to the foregoing declaration. They further say, that
they were acquainted with Judith Hammond, the late husband of
said Maria Stone, in his life-time, and know that

he and she lived and cohabited together as man and wife, at the time of his death, and for a long time previous thereto; that they were generally recognized to be such by their acquaintances and neighbors, and affiants never heard their marriage questioned. They further say, that the said John Stone, who served and died, as stated in the foregoing declaration, left neither widow nor child surviving him; that he was the son of the said Maria Stone, and of Madame Hammond, born to them during the continuance of their aforesaid marriage; that the said John Stone died on the 12 day of May, A. D., 1869; that the said Maria Stone was fully dependent upon the said John Stone for support at the time of his death; that since the death of her said husband the said Maria Stone has not married, but is still a widow; that she has not been engaged in nor aided or abetted the Rebellion in the United States; and that she is the identical person she represents herself to be. All the foregoing statements they make from their own personal knowledge; and they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

Geo. H. Frank Mary Lee
H. M. Gibson Mary Lee
Witness my signature and the seal of said Court, at Madison Kentucky, this 12 day of May, A. D., 1869.

I, Geo. H. Frank, and I hereby certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim, and that the foregoing was read over and by me and affiants before me, signed the Court, at Madison Kentucky, the day and year aforesaid.

Geo. H. Frank
H. M. Gibson
Jefferson County Court

Know all Men by these Presents, That I, Maria Stone, of Louisville, in the County of Jefferson, and State of Kentucky, do hereby constitute and appoint H. M. Gibson, my true and lawful Agent or Attorney, for me, and in my name, to prosecute the claim presented by me for a pension by reason of the service of my late son, John Stone, deceased; and I do hereby authorize my said Attorney to examine the papers, documents and records relating to my said claim, which may be found in any Department or Office of the Government; to appoint one or more persons to assist him in the business aforesaid; to file additional evidence or arguments when necessary; to receive the certificate which may issue in my name upon said claim; and to do any and all lawful acts necessary in effecting the object of his said appointment.

In Testimony whereof, I hereby set my hand and seal, this 12 day of May, A. D., 1869.

Said and delivered in presence of:
Geo. H. Frank } Maria Stone [L. S.]
H. M. Gibson } Mary Lee

The State of Kentucky, County of Jefferson, ss.

On this 12 day of May, A. D. 1899, before the undersigned authority within and for said County, personally came Maria Stone, and acknowledged the signing and sealing of the foregoing Power of Attorney, for the purposes therein expressed.

Witness my hand, on Official Seal the day and year aforesaid.

Jack Carr Cook
Jefferson County, Court

The State of _____, County of _____, ss.

I, _____, Clerk of the _____ Court within and for said County, do certify that _____ Esq., before whom the foregoing _____ acknowledgment _____ made, was, at the time of taking the same, and still is an acting _____ within and for said County, duly commissioned and sworn; and that the signature, purporting to be his, to said _____ acknowledgment, is his genuine signature.

In Testimony whereof, I hereto set my hand and affix the seal of our said Court, at _____, this _____ day of _____, A. D. 18____.

APPLICANT'S ADDRESS.

Maria Stone
Cor. 10th & Walnut Sts.,
Louisville
Kentucky

ATTORNEY'S ADDRESS.

W. H. Carr
Louisville
Kentucky

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INSTRUCTIONS.

- NOTE.—(1.) This declaration must be made before a Court of Record, or a Judge or Clerk of such Court.
(2.) Here state the time, place and cause of death.
(3.) (a) "Will," or "testament," as the case may be.
(4.) (b) "Last will and testament," or "last will," as the case may be.
(5.) (c) "Last will and testament," or "last will," as the case may be.
(6.) (d) "Last will and testament," or "last will," as the case may be.
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D.

DECLARATION

FOR MOTHER'S OR FATHER'S APPLICATION FOR ARMY PENSION.

State of Kentucky }
County of Jefferson } ss.

On this 24th day of February, A. D. 1873, personally appeared before me the Notary Public of the Jefferson County Court, Maria Stone, a resident of Louisville in the County of Jefferson and State of Kentucky, aged 65 years, who, being first duly sworn according to law, doth on oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the provisions made by the Act of Congress approved **JULY 14, 1862**, and its amendments: That She is the widow of Fredrick H. Stone and mother of John who was a Sergeant in Company E, commanded by Col. Gordon S. Hazlett, in the 122^d Regiment of United States Troops, in the war of 1861, who (1) died at Camp Chase, Ohio, Texas on about day of July 1862 of dysentery contracted in the service. She further declares that her said son, upon whom she was wholly or in part dependent for support, having left no widow or minor child under sixteen years of age surviving, dearest makes this application for a Pension under the above-mentioned act, and refers to the evidence filed herewith, and that in the proper department, to establish her claim.

She also declares that she has not, in any way, been engaged in, or aided or abetted, the rebellion in the United States; that she is not in the receipt of a pension under the 24 section of the act above-mentioned, or under any other act, nor has she again married since the death of her son, the said John.

My Post Office address is as follows: Louisville Ky in care of

And she hereby constitutes and appoints Henry M. Hawes her agent and Attorney, to present and prosecute this claim, and authorize him to receive and receipt for any certificate that may be issued for the same, and to do any other act or thing necessary or that she might do if personally present, with full power of substitution and revocation, hereby countermanding all former authority that may have been given for the above specified purpose.

attest
John H. Harlow
Notary
Also personally appeared Lucinda Hammer and William
Declarant's Signature: Maria Stone
my

M. Stone, residents of (2) Louisville, persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me duly sworn, say that they were present and saw her sign the foregoing declaration; and they

further swear that they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of the applicant and their acquaintance with him that he is the identical person who represents himself to be, and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

W. S. Harlow
W. H. Hays

SIGNATURE OF WITNESSES:

Lucinda Hays
William H. Hays
Mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 24th day of February, A. D. 1873
and I hereby certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

Signature of Judge or other Officer:

J. M. Houston
Clifford

NOTE—(1) Here state the time, place, and cause of death.
(2) County, City, or Town.
(3) Or, make his or her mark, as the case may be.



D. AS
DECLARATION FOR MOTHERS OR
FATHERS APPLICATION FOR
ARMY PENSION.

ACT JULY 14, 1862.

FILED BY

Printed and sold by W. B. Moore, 614 11th st. Washington, D. C.

State of Kentucky } o.s.
County of Jefferson }

Before me F. H. Gibson a Notary
Public in and for the County and
State aforesaid and duly authorized
to administer oaths personally,
appeared Daniel Allen and
Mary Lee, who being duly sworn
according to law on their oath
declare that they have known
Maria Stone, widow of Frederick
Hammond, and mother of John
Stone deceased Private Co. K. 122 U.S. C.T.
That they (affiants) have known said
Maria Stone intimately for forty (40)
years, that they (affiants) were raised
and lived in Bloomfield, Nelson Co. Ky
all their lives until about 4 years
since, and that said Maria Stone
lived in sight of the home of affiants,
That (affiant, Daniel Allen) was the
son of James Allen of Bloomfield Ky
and affiant, Mary Lee, was the daughter
of Benjamin Wilson of Bloomfield Ky.
That (claimant, Maria Stone) was the
daughter of Eli Stone of Bloomfield Ky.
and the husband of Maria Stone, viz:
Frederick Hammond, was the son

of Jackson Hammond of Bloomfield Ky. That they (affiants) were not at the wedding of Maria Stone and Frederick Hammond, but they were married at Mr. Eli Stone's (afore said) on or about the 1st day of October 1835. That said Maria Stone and Frederick Hammond lived together as husband and wife as long as said Frederick lived. That said Frederick Hammond died at near Bloomfield Ky. on the 14th day of April 1855. That they were also well acquainted with John Stone, deceased Private Co. K. 122nd Regt. U.S.C.T. That said John Stone died with the Regt. while in Texas, in line of duty. That said Maria Stone had another son viz: Chastaine Stone Private Co. I. 122nd U.S.C.T. who has died since being discharged from the service. That the sons that died were her main support. That she (Maria) is now an old lady and unable to support herself. That said Maria Stone is a good old woman, and well thought of by all

who know her. That they (the affiants)
are not interested in this matter and
not related to the claimant.
Attest } W. M. James (Daniel Daniel ^{this} Allen
Thomas James } Mary ^{mark} Lee

Sworn to and subscribed before me
and I certify that I have no interest
in this matter, that the affiants are
respectable and entitled to be believed.
that a certified copy of my Commission
as Notary Public is on file in the
office of the Hon. the Commissioner
of Prisons.

Witness my hand and Notarial
seal this 15th day of June 1869.

H. B. Gibson
Notary Public

Affidavit of
Daniel Allen
and
Mary Lee
in support of claim
for Mother's Pension
of Maria Stone

H. Mc Carr
Jtly
Louisville
Ky

Meyers

No 201,069

ACT OF JULY 14, 1862.

Maria Stone,
Louisville, Ky.
Mother of
John Stone
Capt. Co. K 122^d U.S. I.
Died at Corpus Christi, Texas.
July 1865.

See Wid's claim No. 174,994.
No other claim 3-1-73
"Amly".

was at

137,038

Louisville Agency.

Decided Feb. 28th, 1873.
Henry W. Hawes
Louisville
Ky.
Attorney.

C. Myers.

Rejected because the
soldier left a widow
and minor child surviving
atly notified Oct 20 1873.

1873. No atty for evidence
Oct 25/73 a homo whether this soldier
left a widow or minor
child surviving

Refused to C. S. D. March 25, 1874

Sept 26th 74, To Claimant
N.K.

Rejected May 15 1875 and
atly notified that it appears
the soldier left surviving a
widow and minor child and that
this claim is now rejected.

1875. Atly informed delay has been
July 22nd occasioned by special interest
gained and that this office awaits
further evidence from the atty
of the alleged widow, upon
receipt of which will be further
informed.

1875. Claimant informed of condition
July 22nd

1875. Sept 11 Atly informed under
consideration &c &c.

1875. Oct 22. Rejected, and atly informed
that the soldier left surviving a widow
who has the prior right to pension.

No 77.905

ACT OF JULY 14, 1862.

Maria Stone
Louisville Ky.

Mother of
John Stone
M.C. 32122 16863
Died at Regimental Hospital
Texas

Mid A 174994
Kentucky

Received July 24 1864
J. M. Carr
Louisville
Jefferson Co
Attorney.
Ky.

Aug. 24/69

Letter - rejecting the case
for this reason that the
soldier left a widow
See claim No. 174,994

137,036

Myers

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№ 208,067

ACT OF JULY 14, 1862.

Maria Stone

Louisville, Ky

Mother of

John Stone

Pd. Co. "K" 125 U.S.C., 2,

Died at Corpus Christi Texas

July 1865

See Wind claim no 174,994 - 2

no other claim 3-1-73- Sully

Louisville Agency

Received July 28, 1873

Henry H Hawes

Louisville

Ky

Attorney

Aug 5/7

Letter to Atty reposing
his claim because this
soldier left a widow & child
(minor) surviving.

C. Myers

State of Kentucky
Jefferson County 3rd Dist

On this 24th day of February 1873 personally appeared before me, Thos. T. Eastin, a Notary Public for the County aforesaid Maria Stone who being duly sworn deposes and says that she is the widow of Fredrick H. Stone deceased colored, that he died near Bloomfield in the County of Mitson State of Kentucky, on or about the 1st day of April A.D. 1855, while he was a Slave, leaving this Affiant, a widow & the Mother of twelve Children, of Wm Chastain Stone, was a pot. in Co. "I" 122^d U.S.C. Troops, Calvin a pot. in Co. "A" 122^d U.S.C. Troops, Albert a pot. in Co. "I" 122^d U.S.C. Troops And John Stone a pot. in Co. "I" 122^d U.S.C. Troops, who died at Corpus Christi on or about day of July 1865, while in the service, that all of said Children were born by her said husband the said Fredrick Stone that Chastain is also dead that he died very soon after he was discharged, and that her other sons are now married, and she is left without a support in her old age. That in consequence of the service rendered the U.S. Government by her four above mentioned sons one of whom died in said service, at the time and place stated, and upon whom she was dependent in part, for a support she has this day filed her Application

for a Pension. That she can not file any evidence of
Marriage because she was a slave at the
time And was married according to the custom
of slaves in those days. That she can not
give the date of the death of her said son "John
Stow" who died as before stated at Corpus Christi
That she is old And incapable of writing, & forgetful
And begs to Refer the Commissioners to 2^d Auditors of
fide, for proof of the death of her said son, which
was filed in her Application for Arrears of pay
re-re. du-lus And which she received, And
further she prayeth for all proper Relief in
these premises

Attest
N. A. Hammond

her
Maria x Stow
mark

At the same time and place personally appeared
Lucinda Hammond & William McLean, persons of
color, And known to me from information gained
from reliable persons, to be of good reputation for
truth and veracity, who being duly sworn
upon And say that they are respectively
well acquainted with Maria Stow, who
signed And made oath to the foregoing Affi-
davit in Our presence, that they have known
her all their lives. That she is the identical
person she represents herself to be in her
Application for a Pension and the

forgoing Affidavit, the Contents of which
has been read over and explained to us
and that she is old and feeble, and that
during the late Rebellion she was wholly
dependent on her son John Stow for a support.

That said John Stow "often made her presents
of clothing and food, and sometimes gave her
small sums of money, as he could spare it.

That he was able to do so from his earnings
as a laborer, before he entered the service. That
we do not make this statement from hearsay
but from our own personal knowledge and
observations - and that we are able to gain this
information, from having lived near her
and her said son John all our lives & from
an intimate acquaintance with them. That
we were personally and respectively present
and saw "Frederick H Stow", the husband
of the said Maria Stow buried. That he
died at the home of his owned one "John
Hammond" of Nelson County Ky. on or about
the 14th day of April 1855 to the best of
our recollection and belief. And we further
state that we are not interested in this claim, and
that the same was carefully read over & expla-
ined to us before we signed & sworn to same.

Attest
L. J. Summers
K. H. Cunningham

Lucinda X Hammond
his mark
William X Mc Laine
mark

over

sworn And subscribed to before me on this
the 24th day of February 1873, by Claimant &
witnesses & I certify that the parties are respectable col-
ored people & entitled to belief & that the same was
carefully read over & explained to them before they
signed And sworn to the said Affidavits. Also
that I have no interest whatever in this claim.

Thos. N. Easton
N.P. Jlc. Ky.

