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DEPENDENT'S ORIGINAL

NO. 415857

APPLICANT: Annie Holmes

Widow OF

VETERAN: Scipio McNeal

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Acts of July 14, 1862, and March 3, 1873.

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Amie Goodwin
W. Ford. 1845-1855-1865
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Scipio M. Cheaz
Port 1862 34 U.S.C. Sec.

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July 1864
Killed
No other claim.

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Application filed:

Feb 26, 1890

Attorney:

J. J. Strong

P. O.

Washⁿ D.C.

July 26-1910
Atty. for discharge
Cert. or Comm
Service.
LA. July 8/97. Atty. B. J.
Tenn. Corbett Serv. H

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Mar 22/90 notice



State of South Carolina
County of Beaufort.

In the matter of the claim of Annie Holmes late widow
of Scipio McNeal, late of Co H-34 Regt. U.S.C.S. personally
appeared William Drayton, who being duly sworn, deposes
and says: I knew Scipio McNeal well he & I were
members of the same Company about in July
1863, while doing fatigue duty on Morris
Island, ^{D.C.} a shell was fired by the Confederate
from Fort Johnson, and exploded, tore off one
of Scipio's shoulder, I do not now remember which
shoulder, I was at the time about ten feet from
Scipio when he was struck, he was taken to the
Camp hospital, and he died the same day from
the injury.

Sworn to before me as William Drayton -
This 16 day of March 1892 by drummer H-34 - U.S.C.S.

J. S. Lupton -
Notary Public S.C.

WID. OFIC.

Memorandum

George Holmes
wid. George W. Holmes

H. 34 N. S. C. J.

George Holmes

Wid. W. J. C. J.

George W. C. J.
H. 34 N. S. C. J.

Wm. R. C. J.

FROM
T. W. TALLMADGE,
ATTORNEY AT LAW
AND SOLICITOR OF CLAIMS,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

T. W. Tallmadge
Att. - Washington
D. C.

Widow's Declaration for Pension or Increase of Pension.



This must be Executed before a Court of Record or some Officer thereof having custody of the Seal.

State of South Carolina, County of Beaufort, ss:

ON THIS 16th day of March A. D. one thousand eight hundred and eighty two

personally appeared before me A. M. Stoy Public of the _____ a Court

of Record within and for the County and State aforesaid Annie Holmes

aged 49 years, who, being duly sworn according to law, makes the following declaration in order to obtain

the Pension provided by Acts of Congress granting pension to widows: That she is the widow of Scipio

McNeal, who died in the U.S. service was XXXXXXXXXXXX honorably discharged

at Morris Island, on the _____ day of July - A. D. 1863-

in Co. H 34th U.S. Ct.

(Company and Regiment of service, if in the army; or vessel and rank, if in the navy.)

in the war of the Rebellion who was wounded by

(State nature of wounds and all circumstances attending them,

a shell which resented in death in service
or the disease and manner in which it was incurred, in either case showing soldier's death to have been the sequence.)

on the _____ day of July - A. D. 63-

who bore at the time of his death the rank of Private in Co. H 34th Regt. U.S. Ct.

and did not serve in any other organization Rebellion. ("In the service aforesaid," or otherwise.)

that she was married under the name of Annie Cassel - to said

Scipio McNeal on the _____ day of _____ A. D. 1863 by

Slaver Custom at Cumberland Beaufort Co. S.C. there being no legal

barrier to such marriage; that neither she nor her husband had been previously married.

(If either have been previously married

so state, and give date of death or divorce of former spouse.)

that she has to present date remained his widow up to the 7 day of November 1886 that the following are the names and dates of birth of all his legitimate

children yet surviving who were under sixteen years of age at father's death, viz:

_____ of soldier by _____, born _____ 18

_____ of soldier by _____, born _____ 18

_____ of soldier by _____, born _____ 18

_____ of soldier by _____, born _____ 18

_____ of soldier by _____, born _____ 18

That said soldier XXXXXX has not been in any military xx

or naval service XXXXXX of the United States, since his dis

charge from the XXXXXXXX service as aforesaid. 18

That she has not abandoned the support of any one of her children, but that they are still under her care or maintenance.

(For such children as are not under her care claimant should account.)

that she has not in any manner engaged in, or aided or abetted the rebellion in the United States; that no

prior application has been filed

(If prior application has been filed, either by soldier or widow, so state, giving number assigned to it.)

that she hereby appoints, with full power of substitution and revocation,

T. W. TALLMADGE, of Washington, D. C.,

her attorney to prosecute the above claim; that her residence is No. Beaufort St, street

and her Post Office address is Beaufort, Beaufort Co. S.C.

S.C.

Isabel S. White

M. E. Kice

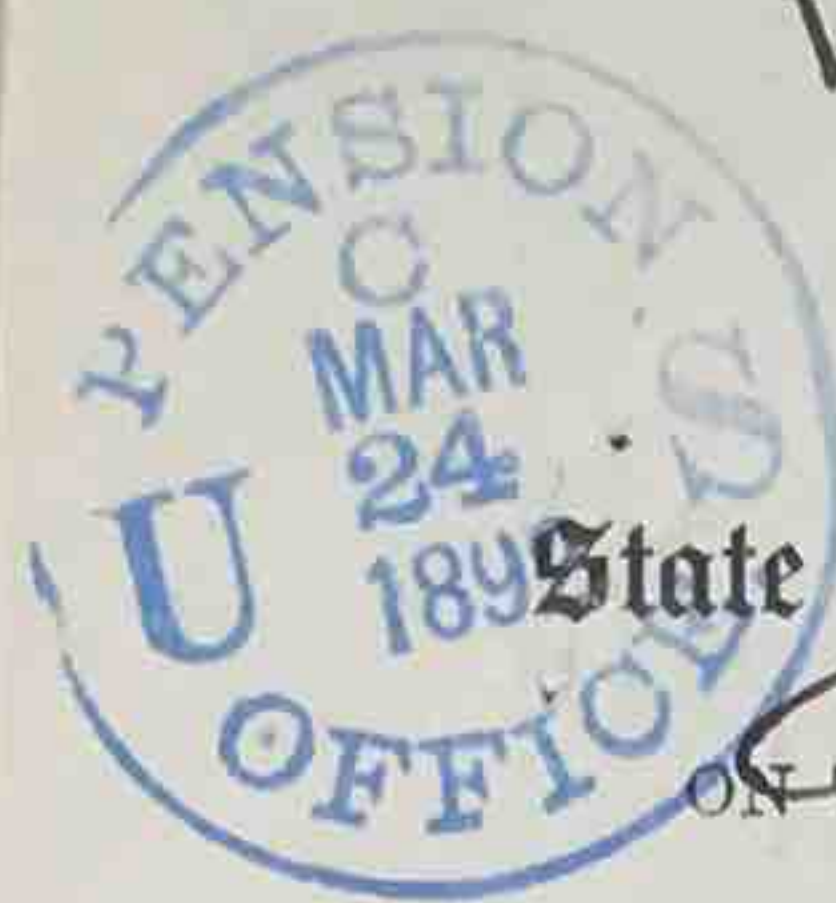
(Two witnesses who can write, sign here.)

Annie Holmes

(Signature of Claimant.)

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State of South Carolina, County of Beaufort, ss:

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personally appeared before me A. Story Public of the _____ a Court
of Record within and for the County and State aforesaid Annie Holmes

aged 49 years, who, being duly sworn according to law, makes the following declaration in order to obtain

the Pension provided by Acts of Congress granting pension to widows: That she is the widow of Scipio
McNeal, who died in the U.S. service was honorable discharged

at Moris Island, on the _____ day of July - A. D. 1863-
in Co. H 34th Regt. U.S.C.
(Company and Regiment of service, if in the army; or vessel and rank, if in the navy.)

in the war of the Rebellion who was wounded by
a shell which resulted in death in service
(State nature of wounds and all circumstances attending them,
or the disease and manner in which it was incurred, in either case showing soldier's death to have been the sequence.)

_____ on the _____ day of July - A. D. 63-
who bore at the time of his death the rank of Private in Co. H 34th Regt. U.S.C.
and did not serve in any other organization during the war of the
that she was married under the name of Annie Cassell - Rebellion to said

Scipio McNeal on the _____ day of _____ A. D. 18____ by
Slown Custom at Cumbehee Beaufort Co. S.C. there being no legal
barrier to such marriage; that neither she nor her husband had been previously married
(If either have been previously married)

so state, and give date of death or divorce of former spouse.)
that she has up to the 7 day of November 1886 remained his widow that the following are the names and dates of birth of all his legitimate
children yet surviving who were under sixteen years of age at father's death, viz:

_____	of soldier by _____	, born _____	18
_____	of soldier by _____	, born _____	18
_____	of soldier by _____	, born _____	18
_____	of soldier by _____	, born _____	18

That said soldier xxxxxx has not been in xxx any military xx
or naval service xxxxxx of the United States since his dis
charge from the xxxxxxxx service as aforesaid 18

That she has not abandoned the support of any one of her children, but that they are still under her care or maintenance.

(For such children as are not under her care claimant should account.)

that she has not in any manner engaged in, or aided or abetted the rebellion in the United States; that no
prior application has been filed
(If prior application has been filed, either by soldier or widow, so state, giving number assigned to it.)

that she hereby appoints, with full power of substitution and revocation,

T. W. TALLMADGE, of Washington, D. C.,

her attorney to prosecute the above claim; that her residence is No. Beaufort SC, street
and her Post Office address is Beaufort, Beaufort Co. S.C.

S.C.
Belam D. White
A. H. E. Kice
(Two witnesses who can write, sign here.)

Annie Holmes
(Signature of Claimant.)
mark

Also personally appeared Belum B. White, residing at Beaufort -
- Co -, and A. H. Egikil
Beaufort - C. C, persons whom I certify to be



respectively and entitled to credit, and who, being by me duly sworn, say that they were present and saw
Amie Holmes, the claimant sign her name (make her mark) to the foregoing
declaration; that they have every reason to believe from the appearance of said claimant and their acquaintance with
her that she is the identical person she represents herself to be; and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this
claim.

If Affiants sign by mark, two witnesses who can write sign here.)

Belum B. White
A. H. Egikil
(Signature of Affiants.)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 16 day of March A. D. 1892

and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration, &c., were fully made known and explained
to the applicant and witnesses before swearing, including the words
erased, and the words
added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect in the
prosecution of this claim.

J. B. [Signature]
(Official Signature.)
Walter [Signature]
(Official Character.)

[L. S.]



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WIDOW	
CLAIM FOR PENSION.	
Amie Holmes, Applicant.	
Widow of Scipio McNeal	
Co. "H" 34 th	Reg't.
U.S. Col'd Troopers	
H. 2 ^d S.C. Co. 187	
C. V. Address	
Lulu Box 187	
Beaufort	
C.	
Filed by	
T. W. TALLMADGE,	
ATTORNEY,	
WASHINGTON, - - D. C.	

Widow's Declaration for Pension or Increase of Pension.

This must be Executed before a Court of Record or some Officer thereof having Custody of the Seal.

State of South Carolina, County of Beaufort, ss:

ON THIS 22nd day of February A. D. one thousand eight hundred and eighty nine

personally appeared before me Clark of the Circuit Court a Court

of Record within and for the County and State aforesaid Annie Holmes

aged 50 years, who, being duly sworn according to law, makes the following declaration in order to obtain

the Pension provided by Acts of Congress granting pension to widows: That she is the widow of Scipio

McNeal, who Enlisted under the name of Scipio McNeal

at Beaufort S.C., on the 1st day of June A. D. 1863.

in "H" Co 34th Regiment U.S. Col. Troops
(Company and Regiment of service, if in the army; or vessel and rank, if in the navy.)

in the war of the Rebellion who was killed in action right
(State nature of wounds and all circumstances attending them.)

Arm torn off by piece of shell from Confederate battery
or the disease and manner in which it was incurred, in either case showing soldier's death to have been the sequence.)

on the — day of July A. D. 1864

who bore at the time of his death the rank of Private in Co "H" 34 U.S. Col. Troops.
(“In the service aforesaid,” or otherwise.)

that she was married under the name of Annie Cassell to said

Scipio McNeal or about 25th day of December A. D. 1859 by

Billy Graham at Columbia S.C. there being no legal

barrier to such marriage; that neither she nor her husband had been previously married
(If either have been previously married)

That she remarried, Barnwell Holmes on July 7th 1887.
so state, and give date of death or divorce of former spouse.) and that he the said Holmes died June 1, 1889

that she has to present date remained his widow; that the following are the names and dates of birth of all his legitimate children yet surviving who were under sixteen years of age at father's death, viz: none

<u>2 children</u>	of soldier by	, born	18
	of soldier by	, born	18
	of soldier by	, born	18
	of soldier by	, born	18
	of soldier by	, born	18
	of soldier by	, born	18
	of soldier by	, born	18

That she has not abandoned the support of any one of her children, but that they are still under her care or maintenance.

(For such children as are not under her care claimant should account.)

that she has not in any manner engaged in, or aided or abetted the rebellion in the United States; that no

prior application has been filed
(If prior application has been filed, either by soldier or widow, so state, giving number assigned to it.)

that she hereby appoints, with full power of substitution and revocation,

Frank Strong of Washington D.C.

her attorney to prosecute the above claim; that her residence is No —, street

and her Post Office address is Beaufort S.C.

Care of G. M. Ford, Box 105

G. M. Ford Annie Holmes
(Signature of Claimant.)

E. M. Brown
(Two witnesses who can write, sign here.)

Also personally appeared G. A. Ford, residing at Beaufort S.C.
Edward N. Brown, and

residing at same place, 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

Annie Holmes, the claimant sign her name (make her mark) to the foregoing
declaration; that they have every reason to believe from the appearance of said claimant and their acquaintance with
her that she is the identical person she represents herself to be; and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this
claim.

G. A. Ford
E. N. Brown
(If Affiants sign by mark, two persons who can write sign here.) (Signature of Affiants.)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 22 day of February A. D. 1890

and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration, &c., were fully made known and explained
to the applicant and witnesses before swearing, including the words
erased, and the words
added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect in the
prosecution of this claim.

A. J. Baupfried
(Official Signature.)
cc
(Official Character.)

[L. S.]

WIDOW.
CLAIM FOR PENSION.
Mrs. Annie Holmes, Applicant.
Widow of Scipio McNeal
H. Co. - 2nd Reg't.
U.S. Colored Inf. Vols.



Filed by
FRANK STRONG,
(LATE GENERAL AGENT, DEP'T OF JUSTICE.)
CLAIM ATTORNEY,
1416 F Street, - Washington, D. C.
Printed and for sale by J. H. SOULE, Washington, D. C.

SECONDARY PROOF OF MARRIAGE.

State of South Carolina, County of Beaufort, ss:

ON THIS 22nd day of February, A. D. 1890, before the undersigned, a

Clerk Circuit Court, personally appeared Annie Holmes

who, being duly sworn, deposeth as follows: I am the widow of Scipio McNeal

deceased, who was a Private in Captain L. H. Markley's

Company "H" 34th Regiment U. S. Col. Troops; that my maiden

name was Annie Bassell that I was lawfully married to said deceased at

Combahce, County of Beaufort, State of S. Carolina

by Billy Graham, on or about the 25th day of December, 1889;

~~that I have by said marriage the following children, whose ages and dates of birth are correctly set forth, to wit:~~

~~That these are the only legitimate children now living of myself and my deceased husband, and that my said husband left no children by any former marriage. That I have made repeated and diligent efforts to procure a copy of the record of my marriage, but have been unable to do so, because~~ there are no such records

being been married under the old slave system

That I cannot obtain the affidavit of the party who performed the marriage ceremony, because for the same

reason and the person who performed the ceremony -

Billy Frier is dead

that my said husband died on the — day of July, A. D. 1864;

that I lived with the deceased from the date of my marriage up to the date of his death, and that I file herewith the best evidence of my marriage that I can obtain.

E. H. Brown

W. D. D. D.

(Signature of Witnesses.)

Annie Holmes

(Signature of Claimant.)

And also at the same time personally appeared Mary Singleton and

Edward M. Brown, of the County of Beaufort

and State of S. C., to me well known as respectable, credible persons, who being by me

duly sworn, do severally say that they have known the claimant Annie Holmes

and her deceased husband Scipio McNeal who was a Private

in Company H 34th Regiment of U. S. Col. Troops for all her life and 30

years, *and that ~~they~~ was present and saw claimant and said deceased married, as above stated by claimant; that claimant's

maiden name was Annie Bassell, and that she was married to said

Scipio McNeal, at Combahce, in the State

of S. C., by Billy Graham, on or about the 25th day

of December, 1889; that deceased always treated and acknowledged claimant as his lawful wife; and

that they lived and cohabited together as such, and were so received in society, and were so regarded by their acquaintances; that they never heard the fact of their marriage disputed; that they often heard deceased in his lifetime speak of claimant as his wife; that claimant has by said marriage no children, ~~whose names and ages are as follows:~~

That they are satisfied that claimant has made diligent efforts to procure record evidence of her marriage, and has been unable to do so for the reason stated by her. That they are in noway interested, directly or indirectly, in the claim for
for which this affidavit is required.

E. H. Brown
G. M. Webb
(If Affiants sign by mark, two persons who can write sign here.)
Mary X Singleton
(Signature of Affiants.)

STATE OF South Carolina, COUNTY OF Beaufort, ss:

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day by the above-named affiant, and I certify that I read said affidavit to said affiant, including the words _____ erased, and the words _____ added and acquainted _____ with its contents before _____ executed the same. I further certify that I am in nowise interested in said case, nor am I concerned in its prosecution; and that said affiant _____ personally known to me and that _____ credible person.

[L. S.]
I, _____ Clerk of the County Court in and for aforesaid County and State, do certify that _____, Esq., who has signed his name to the foregoing declaration and affidavit was at the time of so doing _____ in and for said County and State, duly commissioned and sworn; that all his official acts are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature thereunto is genuine.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this _____ day of _____, 188_____.

[L. S.] Clerk of the _____

NOTE.—This should be sworn to before a CLERK OF COURT, NOTARY PUBLIC or JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. If before a JUSTICE or NOTARY, then CLERK OF COUNTY COURT must add his certificate of character hereon, and not on a separate slip of paper.

SECONDARY
PROOF OF MARRIAGE
IN CASE OF
Mrs. Annie Holmes, Widow of
No. } Scipio McNeil,



Filed by
FRANK STRONG,
(LATE GENERAL AGENT, DEPT. OF JUSTICE.)
CLAIM ATTORNEY,
~~1414~~ 1416 Street, - Washington, D. C.



ORIGIN OF DISABILITY.

NOTE.—This affidavit must be executed by a Commissioned Officer, if possible, but if not possible to secure such evidence, then two of the soldiers' comrades should testify.

Before filling this Affidavit, the Witness should read carefully the Marginal Instructions, and conform thereto in every particular as far as his knowledge of the facts will allow. Comrades' evidence will not be accepted if an officer's can be had.

State of South Carolina County of Beaufort SS:

In the matter of the Pension claim of Ammie Holmes ^{former} widow of Scipio Mc Neal ^{former} soldier in the war of the Rebellion, H 34th Reg't U.S.C.V. whose post office address is Beaufort, S.C.

Personally came before me, a Notary Public in and for the aforesaid County and State, Andrew Wyatt ^(Title of Officer administering oath.) who, being duly sworn, declares

in relation to the aforesaid claim that his age is over 50 years; that he is the identical person who served as a Sgt in Co. H of the 34 Reg't U.S.C. Troops Vols., and ^{knows} the above-named soldier, who was a member of Co. H of the 34 Reg't U.S.C. Troops Vols., that while in the military service of the United States in the line of his duty, and without fault or improper conduct on his part, on or about the day of 1863, at or

near Morris Island State of South Carolina said soldier incurred,

received or contracted an injury by shell from the enemy which resulted in his death a few days later.

We were on fatigue duty at the time of the injury. I know that Scipio was carried into Camp hospital on Morris Island South Carolina where the injury occurred.

I do not recollect the day or month but am certain that it was warm weather when Scipio was struck. He Scipio was buried on Morris Island South Carolina

That he makes the above statement from personal knowledge, gained as follows, viz:
I was within fifteen yards of Scipio when he was struck by said shell. I saw him when he fell. He was struck in the shoulder. I do not remember whether it was his right or left shoulder.

Affiant further declares that he has no interest, direct or indirect, in this claim.

Affiant's Post Office address is as follows: Beaufort, S.C.

If the affiant makes his mark, two persons who can write must attest by signing their names on the lines below.

A. H. Wyatt Andrew Wyatt
mark ^{Affiant's Signature.}

Belam B. White Late a Sgt Co. H of the 34 Reg't U.S.C.V. Vols.

Prepare your Statement on a separate piece of paper, correct it carefully, and then transfer it to this blank.



Sworn to and subscribed before me this day, by the above named affiant; and I certify that the foregoing affidavit was read over to said affiant, and its contents fully explained before execution. I am nowise interested in this claim nor am I concerned in its prosecution.

I further certify that I carefully explained the affidavit to witness before execution and am satisfied from examination of the witness that he fully understands the same.

See note No. 3 below.

WITNESS my hand and seal, this 16 day of March, 1882.

J. J. Reynolds
Official signature.
Notary Public
Official title.

[SEAL.]

NOTES.

1. This should be sworn to before a CLERK OF COURT, NOTARY PUBLIC or JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. If before an officer having no seal, then the Clerk of the County Court must add his certificate of official character in the form below, and not on a separate slip of paper, unless the officer has a certificate of official character on file in the PENSION OFFICE
2. If sworn to before a Deputy Clerk of Court, he must sign as deputy, if so authorized by law, and not for in the name of the Clerk. Every witness must sign his or her name, no matter how poorly he may write it, or how long it may take him to do it.
3. But if the witness signs by X mark, the officer administering the oath should first carefully read and explain the affidavit, and satisfy himself that its contents are understood and add the following additional certificate in writing: "I further certify that I carefully explained the affidavit to witness before execution, and am satisfied from examination of the witness that he fully understands the same."

I, _____, Clerk of _____ Court in and for said County and State, do certify that _____ Esq., who hath signed his name to the foregoing affidavit, was, at the time of so doing, a justice of the peace in and for said County and State, duly commissioned and sworn; that all his official acts are entitled to full faith and credit and that his signature thereto is genuine.

WITNESS my hand and seal of office, this _____ day of _____, 1882.

[SEAL.]

Clerk of the _____ Court.

WID. ORIG.

No. _____

No. _____

*Annexed to the
for the widow of Scipio
McNeal late private
Co "H" 34th Regt
U.S. Colored Troops*

Origin of Disability.

*Affidavit of
Andrew Wyatt,
Beaufort, S.C.*

FILED BY

NATHAN DICKERSON
T. W. T. Williams
Pension Claim Attorney,

914 F STREET
T. WASHINGTON, D. C.
ATTORNEY AT LAW
And SOLICITOR OF CLAIMS,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Transcript of Record of Marriage, Birth or Death.

State of Pa County of Beaufort ss:

Personally appeared before me a Notary Public within and for the County and State aforesaid, J. C. White, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that his P. O. address is St. Michaels - Beaufort County of Beaufort State of Pa and that he is

of the _____
(Pastor, Rector or Clerk, as the case may be.) (Church, Parish, Town or County.)
located in _____ in the last-named County, and custodian of the records thereof; that the following is a true copy of an extract from the record of _____ viz:

(Marriages, Births, or Deaths.)
I know Daniel Thomas Wilson of Pa
Co. Pa. - I was present when he was
married to, Mary Ann Wilson, after the
death of Alice M. Wilson. Daniel was married
to Mary Ann Wilson in Beaufort Co.
April 1 - 1866.

8. *James H. White*
(Signature of Pastor or Clerk.)

SWORN to and subscribed before me this 17 day of July, 1891

...added, before he executed the same.

7. Reynolds -
[Official Signature.]
[Official Character.]

This may be executed before any person who is authorized by law to administer oaths, BUT if executed before an officer, who has no official seal a Clerk of Court, or a County or city clerk MUST affix his official seal and MUST certify to the signature and official character of said officer, unless such certificate is on file at the U. S. Pension Bureau.

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Marriages, Births and Deaths.

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FILLED BY

Pension Claim Attorney,

and SOLICITOR GENERAL
WASHINGTON, D. C.
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Transcript of Record of Marriage, Birth or Death.

State of *South Carolina* County of *Beaufort* SS:

Personally appeared before me a *Notary Public* within and for
the County and State aforesaid, *March Jackson*, who, being
duly sworn according to law, declares that his P. O. address is *Beaufort*
County of *Beaufort* State of *South Carolina* and that he is
an ordained minister of the _____
(Pastor, Rector or Clerk, as the case may be.) (Church, Parish, Town or County.)
located in _____ in the last-named County, and custodian of the records

thereof; that the following is a true copy of an extract from the record of _____ viz:
(Marriages, Births, or Deaths.)

*he joins in marriage about four
years ago Barnwell Holmes and
Annie McNeal at the "New building"
place which is a suburb of the town
of Beaufort County, S. C. State aforesaid
There was no legal barrier to said
marriage. I kept no record of the
time I performed the ceremony and
can only testify from recollection*

g/l. Rerman

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the record referred to, and that I have no interest in the prosecution of any claim in behalf of Annie Holmes for* widow's pension as widow of Felix McNeal

(Signature of Pastor or Clerk.)

* "Arrears of Pay," "Bounty," "Pension," "Commutations for Rations," according to nature of claim.

SWORN to and subscribed before me this 28th day of March, 18 92

and I certify that the contents of the foregoing affidavit were fully made known to the affiant including the words _____ erased, and the words

_____ added, before he executed the same.

I have no interest in the prosecution of this claim for _____

[L. S.]

[Official Signature.]

[Official Character.]

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If the pastor, rector or clerk making the transcript, has an official seal, the jurat is not required, his certificate and seal will be accepted.

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RECORD PROOF

OF

Marriages, Births and Deaths.

CLAIM OF

Annie Holmes

for widow of

Felix McNeal

Late Pvt Co H 34th

Regt W.S. 677th

Adjutant of

Regt. March Jackson,

- Co. B. Company,

S.C.

FILED BY

[Signature]
Pension ^{and} Claim Attorney,

[Signature]
T. W. TAYLOR, M.D.
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
and SOLICITOR OF CLAIMS,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

AFFIDAVIT TO ORIGIN OF DISABILITY.

IMPORTANT!—TO BE EXECUTED BY AN OFFICER OR ENLISTED MAN OF THE SOLDIER'S COMPANY AND REGIMENT HAVING PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH THE DISABILITY WAS INCURRED ON ACCOUNT OF WHICH PENSION IS CLAIMED.

Before Filling in this Affidavit, the Witness should read carefully the Marginal Instructions, and conform thereto in every particular as far as his knowledge of the facts will allow. Enlisted Men's evidence will not be accepted if an Officer's can be had.

State of Ariz., County of Beaufort ss:

State the nature of the wound or injury received, and in what part of the body located; or the name and nature of the disease or disability incurred.

State what caused the disability and upon what particular duty the soldier was engaged at the time it was incurred. If on special duty, by whose orders was he acting.

If the injury was a rupture be particular to state its location and whether you saw it at the time of or immediately after its occurrence or at any time while in the service.

State whether you saw him at the date of or immediately previous to discharge; also when, where and whether the disability named then existed.

State whether the soldier was in sound bodily health and especially free from the disabilities upon which claim for pension is based, at the time he enlisted and immediately preceding the date of incurring his disabilities.

State the source of information, whether present at time and place and an eyewitness to the facts related. If in command of company when the disability was incurred, so state.

ON THIS 3rd day of June A. D. 1892, personally appeared before me John P. Public in and for the aforesaid County, duly authorized to administer oaths.

William Holmes aged 24 years, whose post office address is Beaufort - O-C -

who being duly sworn according to law, states that he is acquainted with William Holmes applicant for Invalid Pension; and knows the said William Holmes to be the identical person of that name who enlisted or volunteered as a private in Company H-34 Regiment of U.S. Col. Vols. and who died Died or was discharged.

at Beaufort on or about the 1st day of June 1864

by reason of

Here insert the reason of the Soldier's discharge if known; if not known, so state, or if he died, so state.

That the said William Holmes while in line of duty, at or near Beaufort in the State of Ariz. did, on or about the 1st day of June 1864, become disabled in the following manner

viz: He was shot in the arm

Here state the time, place and manner in which the wound or other injury was received. Describe the wound or injury, the part of the body wounded or injured, and all the circumstances attending it. If sickness state the time and place where contracted, what caused it, the name of the sickness, and how it affected him. I was present when he got married to Holmes.

That the facts stated are personally known to me by reason of

they were married in my

presence

at the time the claimant contracted his disability, or whether his knowledge was otherwise obtained. All the facts known

relative to the Soldier's medical treatment for his disability while in the service should be stated, giving name and place, if possible

by Rev. March Jackson

November 15th 1864

PREPARE YOUR STATEMENT ON A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER, CORRECT IT CAREFULLY, AND THEN TRANSFER IT TO THIS BLANK. THIS AFFIDAVIT SHOULD BE RETURNED AS SOON AS EXECUTED TO J. P. & S. I. WRIGHT, POST OFFICE BOX 93.

And deponent further states that.....well acquainted with the claimant, having known him for at least.....years; and further that.....knowledge of the facts above stated.....derived from said acquaintance, and from having served as.....of Company.....of the.....Regiment of.....Volunteers, from the.....day of.....186 , to the.....day of.....186

And deponent further states that the claimant was a sound and able-bodied man at and prior to enlistment, or.....knew, and that.....is totally disinterested in this claim.

.....
If affiant make mark, two witnesses who can write sign here.

STATE OF Pa COUNTY OF Beaufort SS.:

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day by the above-named affiant , and I certify that I read the said affidavit to said affiant , including all the words.....erased and all the words.....added, and acquainted him with its contents before he executed the same. I further certify that I am in nowise interested in said case, nor am I concerned in its prosecution; and that the said affiant is personally known to me, and that he is a creditable person.

Phillip C. Hester
Signature of Affiant.

J. H. Russell
Notary or Magistrate's Signature.

Notary Public E. C.
Official Character.

[L. S.]

This affidavit should be sworn to before any officer authorized to administer oaths. If executed before a Notary or Justice however, the certificate of Clerk of Court should be attached, showing official capacity of said Notary or Justice if such certificate be not already on file.

I, Clerk of the County Court, in and for aforesaid County and State, do certify that.....Esq. who hath signed his name to the foregoing declaration and affidavit, was at the time of so doing.....in and for said County and State, duly commissioned and sworn, that all his official acts are entitled to full faith and credit and that his signature thereunto is genuine.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this.....day of.....18

[L. S.]

CLERK OF THE.....COURT

WID. ORIG.

Proof Origin of Disability

CLAIM OF

Quinn Holmes

Deputy Marshal

94-34-110-115

NO.....

Filed by

T. W. Tallmadge

WASHINGTON, D. C.
T. W. TALLMADGE,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
and SOLICITOR OF CLAIMS,

AFFIDAVIT TO ORIGIN OF DISABILITY.

IMPORTANT!—TO BE EXECUTED BY AN OFFICER OR ENLISTED MAN OF THE SOLDIER'S COMPANY AND REGIMENT HAVING PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH THE DISABILITY WAS INCURRED ON ACCOUNT OF WHICH PENSION IS CLAIMED.

Before Filling in this Affidavit, the Witness should read carefully the Marginal Instructions, and conform thereto in every particular as far as his knowledge of the facts will allow. Enlisted Men's evidence will not be accepted if an Officer's can be had.

State of Lo-Ca, County of Beaufort ss:

State the nature of the wound or injury received, and in what part of the body located; or the name and nature of the disease or disability incurred.

State what caused the disability and upon what particular duty the soldier was engaged at the time it was incurred. If on special duty, by whose orders was he acting.

If the injury was a rupture be particular to state its location and whether you saw it at the time of or immediately after its occurrence or at any time while in the service.

State whether you saw him at the date of or immediately previous to discharge; also when, where and whether the disability named then existed.

State whether the soldier was in sound bodily health and especially free from the disabilities upon which claim for pension is based, at the time he enlisted and immediately preceding the date of incurring his disabilities.

State our source of information, whether present at time and place and an eyewitness to the facts related. If in command of company when the disability was incurred, so state

ON THIS 14 day of March A. D. 1893, personally appeared before me
a. Notary Public in and for the aforesaid County, duly authorized to administer
oaths, William Salva aged 67 years, whose post office address is
P. O. J. Reynolds Lock Box 181 Beaufort

who being duly sworn according to law, states that.....acquainted with.....
.....applicant for Invalid Pension; and knows the said.....
to be the identical person of that name who enlisted or volunteered as a.....in Company
.....Regiment of.....Vols. and who.....
Died or was discharged.
at.....on or about the.....day of.....186
by reason.....
Here insert the reason of the Soldier's discharge if known; if not known, so state, or if he died, so state.

That the said.....while in line of duty, at or near
.....in the State of.....did, on or about
the.....day of.....186, become disabled in the following manner
viz: Kolera is not my first marriage after
Here state the time, place and manner in which the wound or other injury was received. Describe the wound or injury, the
the death of the soldier - March Lawrence
part of the body wounded or injured, and all the circumstances attending it. If sickness state the time and place where contract-
is the first - but I can not give a certified
ed, what caused it, the name of the sickness, and how it affected him.

copy of the date of this marriage from
That the facts stated are personally known to me by reason of.....
Here state whether affiant was with the com-
any public Record, for there are
mand at the time the claimant contracted his disability, or whether his knowledge was otherwise obtained. All the facts known
no public records of marriage
affiant relative to the Soldier's medical treatment for his disability while in the service should be stated, giving name and place, if
kept in this County - I married
possible.
in March Lawrence April 1-1866-

PREPARE YOUR STATEMENT ON A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER, CORRECT IT CAREFULLY, AND THEN TRANSFER IT TO THIS BLANK. THIS AFFIDAVIT SHOULD BE RETURNED AS SOON AS EXECUTED TO J. P. & S. I. WRIGHT, POST OFFICE BOX 93.

And deponent further states that.....well acquainted with the claimant, having known him for at least.....years; and further that.....knowledge of the facts above stated.....derived from said acquaintance, and from having served as.....of Company.....of the.....Regiment of.....Volunteers, from the.....day of.....186 , to the.....day of.....186

And deponent further states that the claimant was a sound and able-bodied man at and prior to enlistment, or.....knew, and that.....is totally disinterested in this claim.

Belmont S. White

James H. Darr

If affiant make mark, two witnesses who can write sign here.

Amos Hobbs
Signature of Affiant.

STATE OF *Pa* COUNTY OF *Penn* SS.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day by the above-named affiant , and I certify that I read the said affidavit to said affiant , including all the words.....erased and all the words.....added, and acquainted.....with its contents before.....executed the same. I further certify that I am in nowise interested in said case, nor am I concerned in its prosecution ; and that the said affiant.....personally known to me, and that *she is* a creditable person.

J. J. Rumold
Notary or Magistrate's Signature.
Notary Public Pa
Official Character.

[L. S.]

This affidavit should be sworn to before any officer authorized to administer oaths. If executed before a Notary or Justice however, the certificate of Clerk of Court should be attached, showing official capacity of said Notary or Justice if such certificate be not already on file.

I,Clerk of the County Court, in and for aforesaid County and State, do certify that.....Esq. who hath signed his name to the foregoing declaration and affidavit, was at the time of so doing.....in and for said County and State, duly commissioned and sworn, that all his official acts are entitled to full faith and credit and that his signature thereunto is genuine.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this.....day of.....18

[L. S.]

CLERK OF THE COURT

WID. ORIG.

No. 1-5-87
Proof Origin of Disability.

CLAIM OF

Amos Hobbs

Wid. Scipio W. Reed

H-34-11-0-0-0

NO.....

Affidavit of Claimant



Filed by

W. W. Tallmadge

W. W. TALLMADGE,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
and SOLICITOR OF CLAIMS,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

State of Ill. Ca - County of Beaufort §§:

In the matter of pension claim of Annice Holmes

Scipio M. Gads late of Co. H, 34 Reg't, U.S.C.T. Vols.,

On this 8 day of March, A. D. 1893, personally appeared before me, a

Notary Public in and for the aforesaid County, duly authorized to administer

oaths, Dealum S. White, aged 56 years, whose Post Office address is

P.O. Randolph, Beaufort, County of Beaufort

and State of Ill. Ca, who being duly sworn declares in relation to aforesaid

case as follows:

I was at the marriage

of Annice Gadsdill to Scipio M. G.

They got married in

September & October, about

three years before the war of

the Rebellion, under slave

custom, and lived and

cohabited as man and wife

from then I was so recognized

in the community until

S. M. Gadsdill died - and she

was recognized as the widow

of M. Gadsdill until she married

March Lawrence - April 1-1866 - then

she and Lawrence separated, then

then she married Holmes -

I am not interested in said claim nor concerned in its prosecution.

If the affiant signs by mark, two persons who can write must attest by signing their names on the lines below

Dealum S. White

(Affiant's Signature.)

Affiants must not fail to state how they know or knew of the facts and circumstances to which they testify.

State of Ill. Ca. County of Peoria SS:

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day, by the above-named affiant, and I certify that I read said affidavit to said affiant including the words _____
_____ erased, and the words _____
_____ added and acquainted him with its contents before he executed the same. I further certify that I am in no wise interested in said case, nor am I concerned in its prosecution; and that said affiant is personally known to me, and that he is a credible person.

(L. S.)

[Official Signature.]

[Official Title.]

I, _____, Clerk of the County Court, in and for
aforesaid County and State, do certify that _____, Esq.,
who hath signed his name to the foregoing declaration and affidavit, was at the time of so doing
_____ in and for said County and State, duly commissioned and sworn;
that all his official acts are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature thereto is genuine.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this _____ day of _____, 189....

[L. S.]

Clerk of the

NOTE.—This may be executed before any officer authorized to administer oaths for general purposes. If such officer uses a seal, certificate of Clerk of Court is not required. If no seal is used, then such certificate must be attached, unless heretofore filed.

WID. OFC.

No. 217

No.

Amelia Holmes

vid. Epistol. 1. 1. 1.

Late..... Co. ~~7~~, ~~34~~ Reg't,

U.D.C. 57 Vols.

Applicant of
S. I. White.



FILED BY:

CLAIMANT'S SOLICITOR,
FROM
WASHINGTON, D. C.
WASHIN'GTON, D. C.

Affidavit
~~Transcript of Record of Marriage, Birth or Death.~~

State of *Ill-Ca* - County of *Beaufort* ss:

Personally appeared before me a *Notary Public* within and for
the County and State aforesaid, *James Shields*, who, being
duly sworn according to law, declares that his P. O. address is *Green Pond*
County of *Callington* State of *Ill-Ca* - and that he is

~~located in~~ of the ~~located in~~ (Pastor, Rector or Clerk, as the case may be.) (Church, Parish, Town or County.)
in the last-named County, and custodian of the records

~~thereof; that the following is a true copy of an extract from the record of~~ viz:
(Marriages, Births, or Deaths.)

*I knew Annie Casel, now
Holmes, before she married to
Scipio McNeal. She never was
married until she got married
to Scipio McNeal. I was at the
house when she and McNeal
got married to each other. I
was there as a guest. They
were married about three
years before the war of the
Rebellion, by slave custom
in Sept. or October of that year.
They lived & cohabited as man
and wife, and was so recognized
in the community from then
until Scipio McNeal died.
Scipio McNeal & I were members
of the same Company & Regiment.
He died in the service of
the United States at Morris
Island. D.C. got struck by a
piece of shell.*

WID. ORIG.

RECORD PROOF

OF

Marriages, Births and Deaths.

CLAIM OF

Annie Holmes
widow of
McMuel H. 34
M. O. C. F.

FROM
T. W. TALLMADGE,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
and SOLICITOR OF CLAIMS,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

FILED BY

~~NATHAN BICKFORD,~~

Pension Claim Attorney,

~~914 F STREET,~~

WASHINGTON, D. C.

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the record referred to, and that I have no interest in the prosecution of any claim in behalf of *Annie Holmes*

for*

any purpose whatever his
M. L. Reynolds
James X. Shields
(Signature of Pastor or Clerk) *witness*

* "Arrears of Pay," "Bounty," "Pension," "Commutations for Rations," according to nature of claim.

Bellevue B. White
SWORN to and subscribed before me this *8* day of *March*, 18*93*

and I certify that the contents of the foregoing affidavit were fully made known to the affiant

including the words _____ erased, and the words

_____ added, before he executed the same.

I have no interest in the prosecution of this claim for _____

J. J. Reynolds
[Official Signature.]
Notary Public B.C.
[Official Character.]

[L. S.]

This may be executed before any person who is authorized by law to administer oaths, BUT if executed before an officer, who has no official seal a Clerk of Court, or a County or city clerk MUST affix his official seal and MUST certify to the signature and official character of said officer, unless such certificate is on file at the U. S. Pension Bureau.

If the pastor, rector or clerk making the transcript, has an official seal, the jurat is not required, his certificate and seal will be accepted.

State of South Carolina — Annie Holmes, widow
County of Beaufort. — ~~Scipes M. Neal~~ H. 34. 4. 5. 00
on this 17th day of June 1892. personally appeared
before me a Notary Public, in and for the
aforesaid State, duly authorized to administer
oaths. Seaborn S. White - age 62 - years, whose
Post Office is Beaufort, S.C. who being
duly sworn according to law, deposes and
says: - I knew the Claimant & her husband
the Soldier before they were married.

I was present when they were married
before the war under slave custom.

There is no public record of their marriage
for the reason, no public record of mar-
riage is kept in this County or State -
neither the Claimant nor the Soldier were
married until their marriage to each
other -

Sworn to before me
this 17 - day of June 1892. — Seaborn S. White
J. J. Reynolds.
Notary Public S.C.

WID. ORIG.

No. 415857.

James T

James Holmes. James Holmes

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Wickor
Seipen McNeal

Seipen McNeal
No. 34 N. J. G.

4-34-10. C. S.

Applicant of.
James J. White.



FROM

T. W. TALLMADGE,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
and SOLICITOR OF CLAIMS,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Filed by

T. W. Tallmadge

Washington
D. C.



State of South Carolina — Annie Holmes in
County of Beaufort. — Scipio McNeal #344863
on this 17th day of June 1892. personally appeared
before me a Notary Public, in and for the afore-
said State, duly authorized to administer oaths
Annie Holmes. age about 42-years, whose
past office is % T. J. Reynolds & Equal, Beaufort, S.C.
who being duly sworn according to law; depose
and says: I am not able to furnish a certify
copy of the public record of my marriage to the
soldier, for the reason there is no public
record of marriage kept in this county or
state, and I was married to the soldier here
and before the war under slave custom —
Neither of us or the soldier was ever married
until we married to each other. Both of
us were young when we got married.

Sworn to before me {

this 17 day of June 1892. {

J. J. Reynolds
Notary Public S.C.

Annie ^{her} Holmes
^{mark}
witness

Belam B. White

G. H. Landon

11/13/85-17

James H. Howard

Widow

John M. Mead

No. 34 W.J. Co.

Claim of

William H. Howard

John M. Mead

No. 34 W.J. Co.

Appointed
Counsel

FROM
T. W. TALLMADGE,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
and SOLICITOR OF CLAIMS,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Filed by

T. W. Tallmadge

Washington - D. C.

AFFIDAVIT TO ORIGIN OF DISABILITY.

IMPORTANT!—TO BE EXECUTED BY AN OFFICER OR ENLISTED MAN OF THE SOLDIER'S COMPANY AND REGIMENT HAVING PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH THE DISABILITY WAS INCURRED ON ACCOUNT OF WHICH PENSION IS CLAIMED.



Before Filling in this Affidavit, the Witness should read carefully the Marginal Instructions, and conform thereto in every particular as far as his knowledge of the facts will allow. Enlisted Men's evidence will not be accepted if an Officer's can be had.

State of La - County of Branford - ss.

State the nature of the wound or injury received, and in what part of the body located; or the name and nature of the disease or disability incurred.

State what caused the disability and upon what particular duty the soldier was engaged at the time it was incurred. If on special duty, by whose orders was he acting.

If the injury was a rupture be particular to state its location and whether you saw it at the time of or immediately after its incurrence or at any time while in the service.

State whether you saw him at the date of or immediately previous to discharge; also when, where and whether the disability named then existed.

State whether the soldier was in sound bodily health and especially free from the disabilities upon which claim for pension is based, at the time he enlisted and immediately preceding the date of incurring his disabilities.

State your source of information, whether present at time and place and an eye witness to the facts related. If in command of company when the disability was incurred, so state

ON THIS 29 day of June A. D. 1892 personally appeared before me a Notary Public in and for the aforesaid County, duly authorized to administer oaths, J. D. White aged 67 years, whose post office address is.....

Branford, P. C.

who being duly sworn according to law, states that he is acquainted with Annie

Holmes applicant for invalid Pension; and knows the said Annie Holmes

to be the identical person of that name who enlisted or volunteered as a Private in Company.....

H-34 - Regiment of U. S. C. I. Vols. and who.....

Died or was discharged.

at..... on or about the..... day of..... 186

by reason.....

Here insert the reason of the Soldier's discharge if known; if not known, so state, or if he died, so state.

That the said..... while in line of duty, at or near

..... in the State of..... did, on or about

the..... day of..... 186, become disabled in the following manner,

viz:.....

Here state the time, place and manner in which the wound or other injury was received. Describe the wound or injury, the part of the body wounded or injured, and all the circumstances attending it. If sickness state the time and place where contracted, what caused it, the name of the sickness, and how it affected him.

That the facts stated are personally known to me by reason of.....
(Here state whether affiant was with the com-

mand at the time the claimant contracted his disability, or whether his knowledge was otherwise obtained. All the facts known

As near as I can now remember Annie Cassell
affiant relative to the soldier's medical treatment for his disability while in the service should be stated, giving time and place.

W. Scipio McNeal got married about 3 years
if possible.

before the civil war broke out. They were
married by slave custom. Neither of
them was ever married until they married to
each other. They lived together as man and
wife & was recognized until McNeal died.

And deponent further states that *he is* well acquainted with the claimant, having known *her* ~~him~~ at least *all her life* and further that *his* knowledge of the facts above stated *is* derived from said acquaintance, and from having served as of Company of the Regiment of Volunteers, from the day of 186 , to the day of 186 .

And deponent further states that the claimant was a sound and able-bodied man at and prior to enlistment, or knew, and that totally disinterested in this claim.

If affiant make mark, two witnesses who write sign here.]

Selem B. White
[Signature of Affiant.]

State of *Ill. Ca.* County of *Peoria* ss.:

Sworn and subscribed before me this day by the above-named affiant , and I certify that I read the said affidavit to said affiant , and acquainted *him* with its contents before *he* executed the same. I further certify that I am in nowise interested in said case, nor am I concerned in its prosecution; and the said affiant *is* personally known to me, and that *he is a* credible person.

[Signature]
Notary or Magistrate's Signature
[Signature]
Official Character.

[L. S.]

Note.—This should be sworn to before a CLERK OF COURT, NOTARY PUBLIC or JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. If before a JUSTICE or NOTARY then CLERK OF COURT OF RECORD must add his certificate of Official Character hereon, and not on a separate slip of paper.

I certify that Esq., who hath signed his name to the foregoing declaration and affidavit, was at the time of so doing in and for said County and State, duly commissioned and sworn; that all his official acts are entitled to full faith and credit and that his signature thereunto is genuine.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this day of 188

[L. S.]

CLERK OF THE COURT.

WID. ORIG.
No. 4410-857
Wm. J. [Signature]
Proof Origin of Disability.

CLAIM OF

Amelia Holmes
widow
Deborah M. [Signature]

A-34-M.O.C.S.

NO.....

FILED BY

T. J. [Signature]

FROM

TYANNINTELMADGE,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
and SOLICITOR OF CLAIMS,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Genl. Officer's AFFIDAVIT TO ORIGIN OF DISABILITY.

IMPORTANT!—TO BE EXECUTED BY AN OFFICER OR ENLISTED MAN OF THE SOLDIER'S COMPANY AND REGIMENT HAVING PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH THE DISABILITY WAS INCURRED ON ACCOUNT OF WHICH PENSION IS CLAIMED.

Before Filling in this Affidavit, the Witness should read carefully the Marginal Instructions, and conform thereto in every particular as far as his knowledge of the facts will allow. Enlisted Men's evidence will not be accepted if an Officer's can be had.

State of W. Va. County of Beaufort 55.

State the nature of the wound or injury received, and in what part of the body located; or the name and nature of the disease or disability incurred.

State what caused the disability.

State whether the soldier was engaged at the time it was incurred. If on special duty, by whose orders was he acting.

If the injury was a rupture be particular to state its location and whether you saw it at the time of or immediately after its incurrence or at any time while in the service.

State whether you saw him at the date of or immediately previous to discharge; also when, where and whether the disability named then existed.

State whether the soldier was in sound bodily health and especially free from the disabilities upon which claim for pension is based, at the time he enlisted and immediately preceding the date of incurring his disabilities.

State your source of information, whether present at time and place and an eye witness to the facts related. If in command of company when the disability was incurred, so state

ON THIS 1st day of June A. D. 1884 personally appeared before me

a. Robert Robinson and for the aforesaid County, duly authorized to administer oaths.

Beaufort, W. Va. aged 51 years, whose post office address is Beaufort, W. Va.

who being duly sworn according to law, states that he is acquainted with Annie

McNeal applicant for Invalid Pension; and knows the said Annie McNeal

the identical person of that name who enlisted or volunteered as a private in Company 34

Regiment of W. Va. Inf. Vol. and who died or was discharged

at Beaufort, W. Va. on or about the 1st day of June 1886

by reason of

Here insert the reason of the Soldier's discharge if known; if not known, so state, or if he died, so state.

That the said Annie McNeal while in line of duty, at or near

Beaufort, W. Va. in the State of W. Va. did, on or about

the 1st day of June 1886, become disabled in the following manner,

viz:

Here state the time, place and manner in which the wound or other injury was received. Describe the wound or injury, the part of the body wounded or injured, and all the circumstances attending it. If sickness state the time and place where contracted, what caused it, the name of the sickness, and how it affected him.

I knew Annie McNeal before she got married to Columbus. I was one of the groomsmen for her when she got married.

That the facts stated are personally known to me by reason of being with her when she got married.

They were married by Rev. March

at the time the claimant contracted his disability, or whether his knowledge was otherwise obtained. All the facts known

to affiant relative to the soldier's medical treatment for his disability while in the service should be stated, giving time and place,

if possible.

PREPARE YOUR STATEMENT ON A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER, CORRECT IT CAREFULLY, AND THEN TRANSFER IT TO THIS BLANK. THIS AFFIDAVIT SHOULD BE RETURNED AS SOON AS EXECUTED TO WM. M. WRIGHT, 219 EAST CAPITOL STREET.

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Genl. Officer's
AFFIDAVIT TO ORIGIN OF DISABILITY.

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State of *Co - Ca -* County of *Beaufort* *SS.*

State the nature of the wound or injury received, and in what part of the body located; or the name and nature of the disease or disability incurred.

State what caused the dis-

the soldier was engaged at the time it was incurred. If on special duty, by whose orders was he acting.

If the injury was a rupture be particular to state its location and whether you saw it at the time of or immediately after its occurrence or at any time while in the service.

State whether you saw him at the date of or immediately previous to discharge; also when, where and whether the disability named then existed.

State whether the soldier was in sound bodily health and especially free from the disabilities upon which claim for pension is based, at the time he enlisted and immediately preceding the date of incurring his disabilities.

State your source of information, whether present at time and place and an eye witness to the facts related. If in command of company when the disability was incurred, so state

ON THIS *30* day of *June* A. D. 188*4* personally appeared before me *Robert Robinson* aged *57* years, whose post office address is *Beaufort - D. C.*

who being duly sworn according to law, states that *he is* acquainted with *Annis*.

Annis applicant for Invalid Pension; and knows the said *Annis* *Volunteer* and the identical person of that name who enlisted or volunteered as a *private* in Company *34*

Regiment of U. S. C. P. Vol. and who *Died or was discharged.*

at *Beaufort* on or about the *15* day of *June* 186*6*

by reason *Here insert the reason of the Soldier's discharge if known; if not known, so state, or if he died, so state.*

That the said *Annis* while in line of duty, at or near *Beaufort* in the State of *Florida* did, on or about the *15* day of *June* 186*6*, become disabled in the following manner,

Here state the time, place and manner in which the wound or other injury was received. Describe the wound or injury, the part of the body wounded or injured, and all the circumstances attending it. If sickness state the time and place where contracted, what caused it, the name of the sickness, and how it affected him.
I knew Annis McNeal before she got married to Volms - I was one of the groomsmen for her when she got married.

That the facts stated are personally known to me by reason of *being with him* *Here state whether affiant was with the command at the time the claimant contracted his disability, or whether his knowledge was otherwise obtained. All the facts known to affiant relative to the soldier's medical treatment for his disability while in the service should be stated, giving time and place, if possible.*
They were married by Rev. March Jackson - November 15 - 1884

PREPARE YOUR STATEMENT ON A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER, CORRECT IT CAREFULLY, AND THEN TRANSFER IT TO THIS BLANK. THIS AFFIDAVIT SHOULD BE RETURNED AS SOON AS EXECUTED TO WM. M. WRIGHT, 219 EAST CAPITOL STREET.

Annis

And deponent further states that.....well acquainted with the claimant, having known him for at least.....and further that.....knowledge of the facts above stated.....derived from said acquaintance, and from having served as.....of Company.....of the.....Regiment of.....Volunteers, from the.....day of.....186 , to the.....day of.....186 .

And deponent further states that the claimant was a sound and able-bodied man at and prior to enlistment, or.....knew, and that.....totally disinterested in this claim.

Henry S. White
H. S. White
If affiant make mark, two witnesses who write sign here.]
.....[Signature of Affiant.]

State of *Ca*.....County of *Sanford*.....ss.:

Sworn and subscribed before me this day by the above-named affiant , and I certify that I read the said affidavit to said affiant , and acquainted *him* with its contents before.....executed the same. I further certify that I am in nowise interested in said case, nor am I concerned in its prosecution; and the said affiant.....personally known to me, and that.....credible person.

[L. S.]

.....[Signature]
Notary or Magistrate's Signature

.....[Signature]
Official Character.

Note.—This should be sworn to before a CLERK OF COURT, NOTARY PUBLIC or JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. If before a JUSTICE or NOTARY then CLERK OF COURT OF RECORD must add his certificate of Official Character hereon, and not on a separate slip of paper.

I certify that.....Esq., who hath signed his name to the foregoing declaration and affidavit, was at the time of so doing.....in and for said County and State, duly commissioned and sworn; that all his official acts are entitled to full faith and credit and that his signature thereunto is genuine.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this.....day of.....188

CLERK OF THE.....COURT.

WID. ORIG.

No. *413-86-7*

Proof Origin of Disability

CLAIM OF

Antonie Holmes
Widow
of
Richard M. Smith
H-34-M.C.F.

NO.....



FILED BY

FROM

WASHINGTON, D. C.
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
and SOLICITOR OF CLAIMS,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Write nothing above this line.

(3-060.)

Southern Div.
D.R. Ex'r.
No. *415,857*
Widow of
Scipio McNeal

Department of the Interior,
BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

Washington, D. C., *April 24*, 18*90*.

SIR:

It is alleged that *Scipio McNeal* enlisted *June 1*, 18*63*
and served as a *private* in Co. *N*, *34th* Reg't *U.S.C.T.*
also as a _____ in Co. _____, Reg't _____

and was ~~discharged at~~ *killed in action* _____, *July* _____, 18*64*.

It is also alleged that while on duty at _____
on or about _____, 18____, he was disabled by _____

and was treated in hospitals of which the names, locations, and dates of treatment are as follows: _____

None alleged.

Please also give personal description.

In case of the above-named soldier the War Department is requested to furnish an official statement of the enrollment, discharge, and record of service so far as the same may be applicable to the foregoing allegation, together with full medical history. Please give the rank he held at the time he is claimed to have incurred the disability alleged, and if records show that he was not in line of duty during that period, let the fact be stated.

Very respectfully,

John B. Ransom

Commissioner.

The Officer in Charge of the
Record and Pension Division,
War Department.

Widow No. 415,857 **6**

WAR DEPARTMENT,
RECORD AND PENSION DIVISION,

Washington, D. C., _____, 18

Respectfully returned to the Commissioner of Pensions.

Co. _____, Reg't _____,
was enrolled _____, 186
and _____, 186

Write nothing to the left of this line.

From _____, 186, to _____, 186
he held the rank of _____

and during that period the rolls show him
present except as follows: _____

War Department,
Record and Pension Division,
Washington, **APR 25 1890**, 18

Respectfully returned to

Commissioner of Pensions
With the information that the name
Scipio W. Neal has not
been found on rolls of Co.,
"H" 34th U. S. C. I.

The medical records show him treated as
follows: _____



BY AUTHORITY OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

H. C. Smith
Per *R*
Captain and Ass't Surgeon, U. S. Army

DIVISION.

Department of the Interior,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

Washington, D. C., Nov. 22, 1890.

Respectfully returned to
the Adjutant General
-al U.S.A. request that
that he state whether
the name of the soldier
-der appears on any
Co. No. 34th
U.S. Inf.

415-867

Victor

Scipio McNeal
Co. H "34th U.S. Inf.

James B. Rams.

Commissioner.

War Department,

Record and Pension Division,

NOV 24 1890

Washington, 18.

Respectfully returned to

Leon of Parsons

With the information that the name
Scipio McNeal has
not been found on
rolls any Co. 34th U.S. Inf.



BY AUTHORITY OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

J. Rainesworth

Per
Captain and Asst Surgeon, U. S. Army.

TO BE EXECUTED IN DUPLICATE WITHOUT ADDITIONAL COST TO CLAIMANT.

ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT.

Whereas I, Annie Holmes, widow of Scipio McNeal,
late a private
in Company 24th, of the U.S. Colored Regiment of Volunteers.
war of the rebellion, having made application for pension under the laws of the United States.

NOW THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSETH: That for and in consideration of services done and to be done in the premises, I hereby agree to allow my agent Frank Strong -
of Washington, D.C. the fee of Twenty-five
DOLLARS, which shall include all amounts to be paid for any services in the furtherance of said claim; and said fee shall not be demanded by, or payable to my said agent, in whole or in part, except in case of the granting of my pension by the Commissioner of Pensions; and then the same shall be paid to him in accordance with the provisions of sections 4768 and 4769 of the Revised Statutes, U. S.

Summons
E. H. Beers
(Two Witnesses Signatures.)

Annie Holmes
(Signature of Claimant.)
Beaufort Beaufort Co. D.C.
(Post-office Address.)

State of South Carolina, County of Beaufort, ss:

Be it known that on this, the 22nd day of February, A. D. 1890, personally appeared Annie Holmes the above named, who, after having had read over to her in the hearing and presence of the two attesting witnesses the contents of the foregoing articles of agreement, voluntarily signed and acknowledged the same to be her free act and deed.

[L. S.]

A. J. Bampfried
(Official Signature.)

Agent's Acceptance.

And now, to wit, this _____ day of _____, A. D. 188____, accept the provisions contained in the foregoing articles of agreement, and will to the best of _____ ability, endeavor faithfully to represent the interest of the claimant in the premises. _____ hereby certify that _____ have received from the claimant above-named the sum of _____ dollars and no more, _____ dollars being for fee, and the sum of _____ dollars being for postage and other expenses. And that these agreements have been executed in duplicate without additional cost to the claimant, as required by law, in excess of the fee above-named, the said agent making no charge therefor.

Witness _____ hand the year and day above written.

(Signature of Agent.)

State of _____, County of _____, ss:

Personally came _____, whom I know to be the person _____ represents to be, and who, having signed above acceptance of agreement, acknowledged the same to be free act and deed.

Witness my hand and seal this _____ day of _____, 188____

[L. S.]

(Official Signature.)

Commissioner's Approval.

APPROVED FOR _____ DOLLARS and payable to _____ of _____ the recognized attorney .

NOTICE TO CLAIMANT.

This contract is permissible under the law but not compulsory.

READ THE FOLLOWING COPY OF THE STATUTE.

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And if in the adjudication of any claim for pension in which such articles of agreement have been or may hereafter be filed it shall appear that the claimant had, prior to the execution thereof, paid to the attorney any sum for his services in such claim, and the amount so paid is not stipulated therein, then every such claim shall be adjudicated in the same manner as though no articles of agreement had been filed, deducting from the fee of \$10 allowed by law such sum as claimant shall show that he has paid to his said attorney.

Any agent or attorney or other person instrumental in prosecuting any claim for pension or bounty land who shall directly or indirectly contract for, demand or receive or retain any greater compensation for his services or instrumentality in prosecuting a claim for pension or bounty-land than is herein provided, or for payment thereof at any other time or in any other manner than is herein provided, or who shall wrongfully withhold from a pensioner or claimant the whole or any part of the pension or claim allowed and due such pensioner or claimant, or the land-warrant issued to any such claimant shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall for every such offence be fined not exceeding \$500, or imprisoned at hard labor not exceeding two years, or both, in discretion of the court.

APPROVED JULY 4, 1884.

FEE AGREEMENT.

No.

CLAIM OF

Co

Reg't.

Vols.

FOR PENSION.

Filed by

FRANK STRONG,

(LATE GENERAL AGENT, DEPT OF JUSTICE.)

CLAIM ATTORNEY,

1416 E Street, - Washington, D. C.

1416 E

TO BE EXECUTED IN DUPLICATE WITHOUT ADDITIONAL COST TO CLAIMANT.

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Edward
E. P. Brown
(Two Witnesses Signatures.)

Annie Holmes
(Signature of Claimant.)
Beaufort, Beaufort Co., S. C.
(Post-office Address.)

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[L. S.]

S. J. Sampson
(Official Signature.)
C. C. C.

Agent's Acceptance.

And now, to wit, this _____ day of _____, A. D. 188 _____, accept the provisions contained in the foregoing articles of agreement, and will to the best of _____ ability, endeavor faithfully to represent the interest of the claimant in the premises. _____ hereby certify that _____ have received from the claimant above-named the sum of _____ dollars and no more, _____ dollars being for fee, and the sum of _____ dollars being for postage and other expenses. And that these agreements have been executed in duplicate without additional cost to the claimant, as required by law, in excess of the fee above-named, the said agent making no charge therefor.

Witness _____ hand the year and day above written.

(Signature of Agent.)

State of _____, County of _____, ss:

Personally came _____, whom I know to be the person _____ represents to be, and who, having signed above acceptance of agreement, acknowledged the same to be _____ free act and deed.

Witness my hand and seal this _____ day of _____ 188 _____

[L. S.]

(Official Signature.)

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APPROVED JULY 4, 1884.

FEE AGREEMENT.

No.

CLAIM OF

Mrs. Annie Holmes
widow of Scipio Mc Neal, Private
Co. H, 34th Reg't.
U.S. Colored Vols.

FOR PENSION.

Filed by

FRANK STRONG,

(LATE GENERAL AGENT, DEPT OF JUSTICE.)

CLAIM ATTORNEY,

1421 G Street, - Washington, D. C.
1446 F.

POWER OF ATTORNEY.

Know all men by these presents, that I, Annie Holmes
of Beaufort S. C.
Post Office Address.

have made, constituted and appointed, and by these presents do make, constitute and appoint

NATHAN BICKFORD, of Washington, D. C.,

my true and lawful attorney, for me in my name, place and stead, with full power of substitution and revocation, hereby annulling and revoking all former Powers of Attorney and authorizations, whatever

in the premises, to prosecute my pending claim for pension #
under the general law as widow of
Scypio McNeil late of Co. H 34 U. S. C. T.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this 9 day of July, 1896.

Annie Holmes
Signature of Claimant.

Two witnesses who write
their names are required.

J. H. Sanders
J. E. Frasier

State of South Carolina
County of Beaufort } ss.

Be it known, that on this 9 day of July, 1896, before me, the undersigned
a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared
Annie Holmes to me well known to be the identical person who executed
the foregoing Power of Attorney, and the same having been first read over to her and the contents
thereof duly explained, acknowledged the same to be her free act and deed. I certify that I have
no interest present or prospective in this claim.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal of office, the day and
year last above written.

L. M. Sanders
Notary Public
Official Title.

State of _____ }
County of _____ } ss:

I hereby certify that _____ before whom the foregoing acknowledgement was made, was at the execution thereof, a _____ in and for the County of _____ and State of _____ duly authorized to administer oaths, and that his signature thereto is genuine.

[SEAL]

Official Signature.

This Power of Attorney may be executed before any person who is authorized by law to administer oaths. But if executed before any officer who has no official seal, the Clerk of a Court of Record, **MUST** affix his official seal and **MUST** certify to the signature and official character of said officer, unless such certificate is on file at the U. S. Pension Bureau.

Wid. Aug. 413857
No. _____
POWER OF ATTORNEY

BY

Amie Holmes
Widow of
Cyprio McNeil
HC 34 U. S. C. G.

CLAIM FOR



FILED BY
NATHAN BICKFORD,
SOLICITOR OF
CLAIMS AND PATENTS,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

4 May 8/97
There is no evidence of Tallmadge's
interest in this case inside of a
year. Last filed by him Aug/93.
On Chas. Brown's recy. Bedford
& let him try to get Jth. Cornish
serv.



This form of fee contract is prescribed by the Commissioner of Pensions and approved by the Secretary of the Interior, July 8, 1884, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved July 4, 1884. To be executed in duplicate without additional cost to claimant, and must be returned in duplicate to the Attorney.

ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT.

Whereas I, Annie Holmes former widow
of Scipio McNeal
late a Pvt in Company H, of the 34 Regiment of U.S.C.T Volunteers,
war of the rebellion, having made application for pension under the laws of the United States:
hereby authorize as my attorney, T. W. TALLMADGE, of Washington, D. C., to prosecute said
claim, revoking all former authority to other persons.

Now this Agreement Witnesseth: That for and in consideration of services done
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1 Isaac S. White

2 A. H. Duncie
(Signature of two witnesses who can write.)

Annie Holmes
(Signature of claimant.)

P.O. Box 14, 187-Beaufort, S.C.
(Post office address.)

State of South Carolina, County of Beaufort, ss:

Be it known, that on this, the 16 day of March A. D. 1892, personally
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the foregoing articles of agreement, voluntarily signed and acknowledged the same to be her
free act and deed.

[SEAL.]

J. H. S. S. S.
(Official Signature)
Notary Public S.C.

Agent's Acceptance.

And now, to wit, this 23 day of March, A. D. 1892 I accept
the provisions contained in the foregoing articles of agreement, and will to the best of my ability
endeavor faithfully to represent the interest of the claimant in the premises; I hereby certifying
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District of Columbia, County of Washington, ss:

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[SEAL.]

Josh S. S. S.
(Official Signature)
Notary Public

Commissioner's Approval.

Approved for _____ dollars and payable to

_____, of _____
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Commissioner of Pensions.

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APPROVED JULY 4, 1884.

FOR PENSION.

No. *Amie Holmes former*
Widow Sophia McNeal
Co. *H 34th* Reg't.
Volts. *W. S. Ly. J.*

FEE AGREEMENTS.

Filed

T. W. TALLMADGE,

ATTORNEY,

WASHINGTON, D. C.

BYRON S. ADAMS, PRINTER.

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Whereas I, Annie Holmes widow
of Scipio Mc Neal
late a Private Company H, of the 34 Regiment of U.S.C.T. Volunteers,
war of the rebellion, having made application for pension under the laws of the United States:
hereby authorize as my attorney, T. W. TALLMADGE, of Washington, D. C., to prosecute said
claim, revoking all former authority to other persons.

Now this Agreement Witnesseth: That for and in consideration of services done
and to be done in the premises, I hereby agree to allow my agent T. W. TALLMADGE, of
Washington, D. C., the fee of Twenty-Five Dollars, which shall include all amounts to be paid
for any services in the furtherance of said claim; and said fee shall not be demanded by or paya-
ble to my said agent, in whole or in part, except in the case of the granting of my pension by the
Commissioner of Pensions; and that the same shall be paid to him in accordance with the pro-
visions of Sections 4768 and 4769 of the Revised Statutes, U. S.

1. William S. White
2. A. H. Eccles
(Signature of two witnesses who can write.)

Annie Holmes
(Signature of claimant.)
P.O. Lock Box 187 - Beaufort, D.C.
(Post office address.)

State of South Carolina, County of Beaufort, ss:

Be it known, that on this, the 15 day of March A. D. 1892, personally
appeared Annie Holmes the above-named, who after having
had read over to her in the hearing and presence of the two attesting witnesses the contents of
the foregoing articles of agreement, voluntarily signed and acknowledged the same to be her
free act and deed.

[SEAL.]

J. J. Reynolds
(Official Signature)
Notary Public - S.C.

Agent's Acceptance.

And now, to wit, this 23 day of March, A. D. 1892, I accept
the provisions contained in the foregoing articles of agreement, and will to the best of my ability
endeavor faithfully to represent the interest of the claimant in the premises; I hereby certifying
that I have received from the claimant above named the sum of no dollars, and no
more; none dollars being for fee, and the sum of none dollars being
for postage and other expenses. And that these agreements have been executed in duplicate without
additional cost to the claimant, as required by law, in excess of the fee above named, the said agent
making no charge therefor.

Witness my hand the year and day above written.

T. W. Tallmadge

District of Columbia, County of Washington, ss:

Personally came, T. W. TALLMADGE, whom I know to be the person he represents himself to
be, and who, having signed above acceptance of agreement, acknowledged the same to be his free
act and deed.

[SEAL.]

Sarah S. Layman
(Official Signature)
Notary Public

Commissioner's Approval.

Approved for _____ dollars and payable to

_____, of _____
the recognized attorney.

Commissioner of Pensions.

NOTICE TO CLAIMANT.

Return both Contracts to the Attorney.

This Contract is Permissible Under the Law, but not Compulsory.—Read the following Copy of the Statute.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled

SEC. 3. That section 4785 of the Revised Statutes is hereby re-enacted and amended so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 4785. No agent or attorney or other person shall demand or receive any other compensation for his services in prosecuting a claim for pension or bounty-land than such as the Commissioner of Pensions shall direct to be paid to him, not exceeding \$25; nor shall such agent, attorney, or other person demand or receive such compensation, in whole or in part, until such pension or bounty-land claim shall be allowed: *Provided*, That in all claims allowed since June 20, 1878, where it shall appear to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Pensions that the fee of \$10, or any part thereof, has not been paid, he shall cause the same to be deducted from the pension, and the pension agent to pay the same to the recognized attorney."

SEC. 4. That section 4786 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"SEC. 4786. The agent or attorney of record in the prosecution of the case may cause to be filed with the Commissioner of Pensions duplicate articles of agreement without additional cost to the claimant, setting forth the fee agreed upon by the parties, which agreement shall be executed in the presence of and certified by some officer competent to administer oaths. In all cases where application is made for pension or bounty-land, and no agreement is filed with the Commissioner as herein provided, the fee shall be \$10 and no more. And such articles of agreement as may hereafter be filed with the Commissioner of Pensions are not authorized, nor will they be recognized except in claims for original pensions, claims for increase of pension on account of a new disability, in claims for restoration where a pensioner's name has been or may hereafter be dropped from the pension rolls on testimony taken by a special examiner, showing that the disability or cause of death, on account of which the pension was allowed, did not originate in the line of duty, and in case of dependent relatives whose names have been or may hereafter be dropped from the rolls on like testimony, upon the ground of non-dependence, and in such other cases of difficulty and trouble as the Commissioner of Pensions may see fit to recognize them; *Provided*, That no greater fee than \$10 shall be demanded, received, or allowed in any claim for pension or bounty-land granted by special act of Congress, nor in any claim for increase of pension on account of the increase of the disability for which the pension had been allowed: *And provided further*, That no fee shall be demanded, received, or allowed in any claim for arrears of pension or arrears of increase of pension allowed by any act of Congress passed subsequent to the date of the allowance of the original claims in which such arrears of pension or of increase of pension may be allowed."

And if in the adjudication of any claim for pension in which such articles of agreement have been or may hereafter be filed it shall appear that the claimant had, prior to the execution thereof, paid to the attorney any sum for his services in such claim, and the amount so paid is not stipulated therein, then every such claim shall be adjudicated in the same manner as though no articles of agreement had been filed, deducting from the fee of \$10 allowed by law such sum as claimant shall show that he has paid to his said attorney.

Any agent or attorney or other person instrumental in prosecuting any claim for pension or bounty-land who shall directly or indirectly contract for, demand, or receive or retain any greater compensation for his services or instrumentality in prosecuting a claim for pension or bounty-land than is herein provided, or for payment thereof at any other time or in any other manner than is herein provided, or who shall wrongfully withhold from a pensioner or claimant the whole or any part of the pension or claim allowed and due such pensioner or claimant, or the land-warrant issued to any such claimant, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall for every such offence be fined not exceeding \$500, or imprisoned at hard labor not exceeding two years, or both, in the discretion of the court.

APPROVED JULY 4, 1884.

FOR PENSION.

No. *Annie Holmes*
Widow Scipio McNeal
Co. *"H" 34th* Reg't.
Vols. *U. S. Col. J.*

FEE AGREEMENTS.

T. W. TALLMADGE,

ATTORNEY,

WASHINGTON, D. C.

BYRON S. ADAMS, PRINTER.



GENERAL LAW.

Or. No. 415,857.

widow of
Sybil McNeil
H 34 7109

Sir :

This claimant has been

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Again informed as to the
evidence now required, but it has not yet been
received.

Please give me present condition of the
case if any change ~~since~~

Very Respectfully,

William D. R. R.

To the COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS.

CLAIM NO.

415.857

Examiners are required to keep the unimportant papers in this wrapper.

**PAPERS NOT
BRIEFED.**

I certify that the inclosed papers are of no value in determining the merits of this claim.

, Examiner.

**DISCHARGE CERTIFICATES, POWERS OF
ATTORNEY, AND CONTRACTS FOR
FEES NOT TO BE INCLOSED.**

Walter
Mail Division.

Department of the Interior,
BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

7,13 - , 1891

P. O. Beaufort.

Date of letter

July 11" 1891

No. Claim,

415559

Cert. No.

Writer,

Annie Holmes

Claimant,

Soldier,

Scipio McNeal

Co. A.

34 Reg't U.S.C.G.

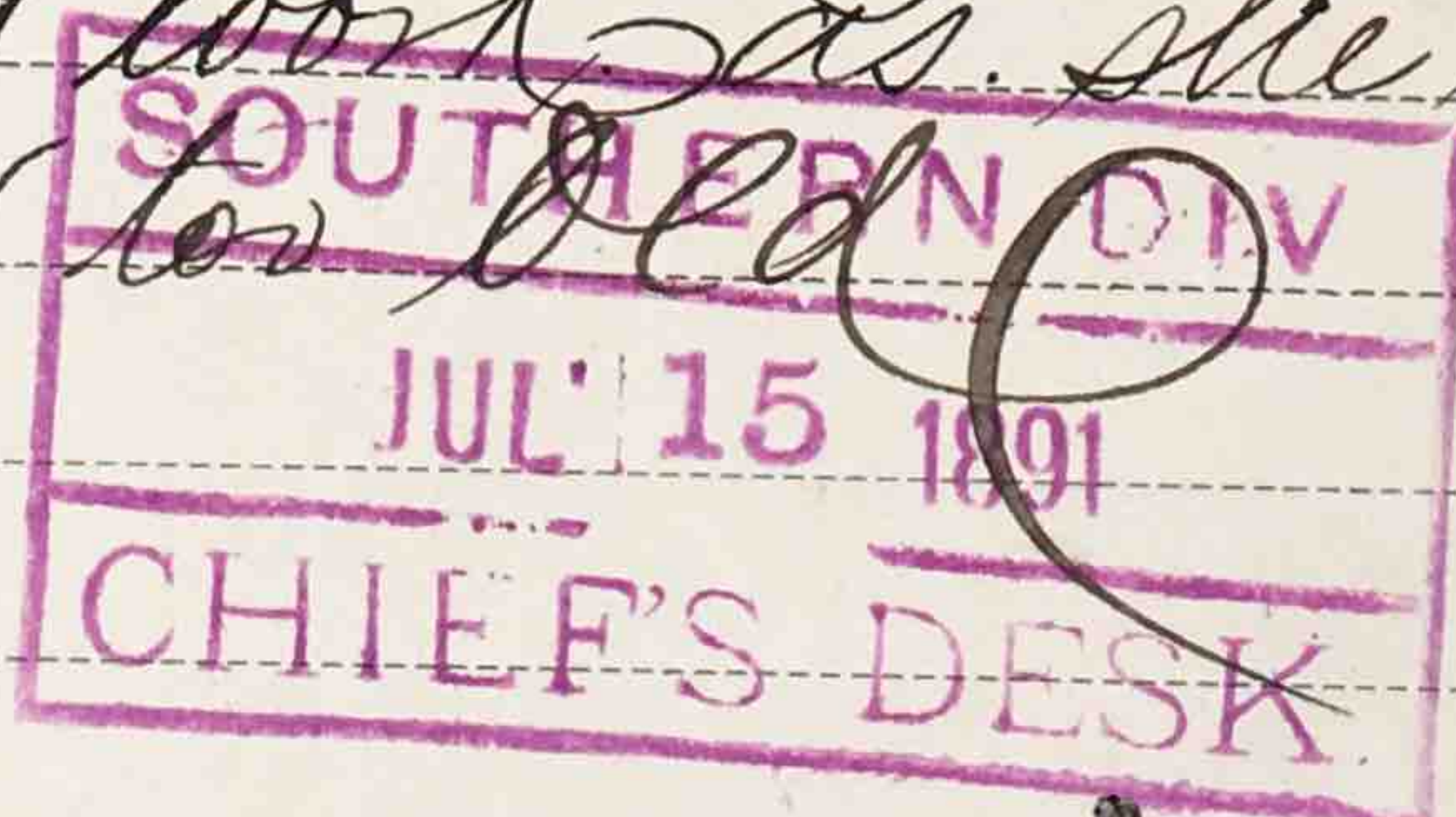
Requests

Early action

Claimant

States

that she is unable
to earn living by
hard work as she is
now too old



T. M. HERMANN,

Chief Mail Division.

Wid No. 415857.
Scipio Meneal
Pvt Co. H 34 Regt U. S. C. Inf.



Beaufort S.C.

July 11. 1891.

To the Hon. Com. of Pensions.
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir,

I made application
for widows pension, and received notice of the
filing of my claim Wid. No 415857.

Scipio Meneal Pvt. Co. H 34 Regt U. S. C. Inf. in April
1890, since which time I have heard nothing of it.

I am unable to earn a living by hard work
as I am now an old woman.

I would respectfully ask if
there is any other evidence required that delays
the claim.

I am,

Very Respectfully,

Annie Holmes

Annie Holmes,

C/o Mr. G. H. Ford

Beaufort S.C.

FRANK STRONG,
[LATE GENERAL AGENT, DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,]
ATTORNEY, SOLICITOR OF CLAIMS,
1416 F STREET.

WASHINGTON, D. C.,

February 25th, 1890.

Hon. Green B. Raum,
Comm' of Pensions.

Sir:

I have the honor to file herewith
the Application for Pension of Mrs. Annie Holmes, who
claims pension as the widow of Scipio McNeil, private Co. 'A',
24th Reg't. U.S. Col. Troops, who was killed in action July -
1864.

Very respectfully,
Frank Strong,
Atty. for claimant.

Enclosures:

Declaration of widow.
Secondary Proof of marriage.
See Agreement (duplicate.)

Will or. 415.857, to M.H.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

WASHINGTON, D. C.,

Apr. 22, 1890

SH
LAW DIVISION.

T. P. R.

Mr:

Frank Strong
Washington
D.C.

Sir:-

In a claim recently filed your name appears as attorney with address as above. The roll of attorneys fails to show your name as a qualified attorney residing at that place. If you have been admitted to practice before this Department, but then resided elsewhere please, in reply hereto, state the date of your admission and where you then resided; and, if the above stated address is permanent, you should also forward a formal notice of change from your old to your present address.

If you have never been admitted to practice as an attorney before this Bureau, you should comply with the terms of the within regulations and circulars.

Return this letter with your reply.

Very respectfully,

Green B. Raum
Commissioner.

File in case
and note pay
ATTY FILED



FRANK STRONG.
[LATE GENERAL AGENT DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE]
ATTORNEY.
1416 F STREET. WASHINGTON DC

Wid
No 415,857, *Paid* Anne Holmes, widow of Scipio
McNed, Private Co. A. 34 U.S. C. Inf.

Aug 24. 1890

Comm^r of Pensions,

Sir:

Please advise me as
to status of above claim, and what addi-
tional proof, if any, is required.

Respectfully
Frank Strong
Atty. for Claimant

amp

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Ex'r.

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No.

~~*415,857*~~

Acts of July 14, 1862, and March 3, 1873.

Annie Holmes
Beaufort, Beaufort Co. S.C.
Wid.

Scipio M^cNeal

N. 34 U. S. C. Inf

Died at

~~*N. 2 S. C. Col. Inf*~~

No other claim. than
W.O. 415,857

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Clerk.

Application filed: *Mar 24*, 1892.

Attorney: *L. W. Tallmadge,*

P. O. *City.*

ATTY FILED

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Wid. or. 415,837. S. M. R.
#415,857

FRANK STRONG,
[LATE GENERAL AGENT, DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,]
ATTORNEY, SOLICITOR OF CLAIMS,
1416 F STREET.

WASHINGTON, D. C.,

May 31, 1890

The Commissioner of Pensions,
Sir,

Replying to your circular letter of the
22d ultimo, (herewith returned,) I beg to inform you
that I have complied with the requirements of the reg-
ulations of the Department, by transmitting, to-day, to the
Secretary, certificate of qualifications, and oath.

I think that I omitted to fill out my acceptance,
and execute same in the duplicate fee agreements. Will
you please cause them to be returned to me for correction?

Very respectfully,
Frank Strong

not filed to date

