

# APPLICATION FOR A NEW CERTIFICATE.

These instructions must be strictly observed.

A blank space is left at the close of applicant's affidavit that the time, place, and manner of the loss or destruction of the original certificate may be set forth. In case of loss of certificate, it should be shown that proper efforts have been made for its recovery. The pensioner's oath must be supported by the evidence of another person as to identity. The witness must swear that he or she well knows applicant to be the same person described in his or her affidavit, and the magistrate must certify that the deponent is a person of veracity. When a person acting as agent or attorney for a pensioner loses the certificate, the affidavit of that person, duly authenticated, is also required. The official character and signature of the officer before whom the affidavits are made must be authenticated by the certificate of the proper officer, under his seal of office.

STATE OF Maryland, COUNTY OF Baltimore, ss:  
 On this 27<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1898, before the subscriber,  
 a Justice of the Peace for said county, personally  
 appeared Thomas J. Harris Jr, who on oath declares that he is  
 the identical Thomas J. Harris Jr who belonged to Company "G,"  
 in the 39<sup>th</sup> Regiment of U.S. Colored Vols, in the service of the United States, in the  
 war of 1864; that his name was placed on the pension roll of the State  
 of Maryland; that he received a pension certificate numbered 94464  
 and bearing date the about year 1867; that he was last  
 paid at Washington Agency, to include the 4<sup>th</sup> day of March, 1898;  
 that he has not bartered, sold, assigned, or pledged his pension certificate, or any interest therein;  
 but that on or about the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_, at or near \_\_\_\_\_

that aforesaid certificate was returned to the Pension Department about four years ago; that he did not receive any new certificate in place of it; that the old certificate was returned to the department with the understanding that a new certificate to take its place would be furnished him; that he has not yet received such new certificate.

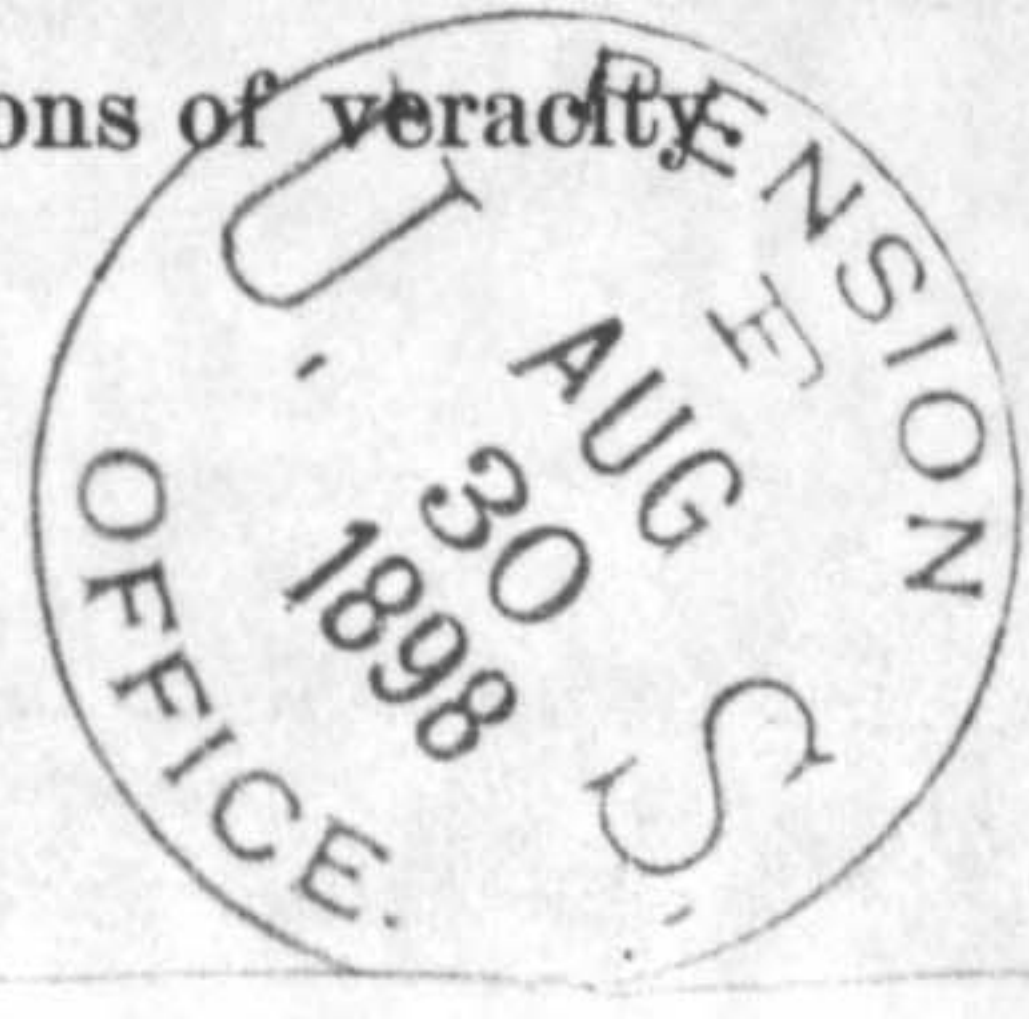
My post-office address is Walters, Balto Co., Md

(Signature of applicant.) Thomas J. Harris Jr.

Also, personally appeared Frederick B. Walters, who on oath declares that he well knows Thomas J. Harris Jr, who has executed the foregoing affidavit, to be the identical pensioner named therein.

(Signature of witness.) Frederick B. Walters

Sworn to and subscribed before me the day and year aforesaid, the contents being first made known, and I certify that the affiants are persons of veracity.



Charles Pieler Jr.