GENERAL AFFIDAVIT. Dup 1

For the testimony of EMPLOYERS OR NEAR NEIGHBORS of soldier, (other than relatives) who have known him before his enlistment, or since his discharge and return from the army.

State of Md., County of Balt., ss.

In the matter of the application for pension of Thos. J. Harris, Sr.
C. G, 39 U. S. C. T. No 781568

ON THIS 5th day of July A. D. 1890; personally appeared before me, a Notary Public in and for the aforesaid County, duly authorized to administer oaths John P. Harris aged 57 years, a resident of Balto.
in the County of and State of Md.,
whose Post Office address is 426 S. Dallas St.
and Wm H. Harris aged 44 years, a resident of same city,
in the County of S and State of
whose Post Office address is 525 S. Dallas St.

well known to me to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who being duly sworn, declare in relation to the aforesaid case as follows: That they have been well and personally acquainted with Thos. J. Harris Sr.; for all the years, and since years respectively, and that they were in C. G, 39 U.S. C.T., and know that said Thos. J. Harris contracted fever, rheumatism, disease of eyes, diarrhea, piles, and pulmonary disease, in N. C. in service in the fall of 1865; that to this period & since

Instructions—read carefully.

The witnesses must state:

1st. Their respective ages and occupation; the length of time they have known the soldier, and in what year or years of the said period they have employed, worked with or for him, or lived in the same neighborhood with him, and how near to him.

2d. If they knew him before his enlistment what his physical condition was at that time, and that he was then sound and free from disability, and especially free from the diseases for which he claims pension.

3d. If they have employed or worked with him since his return from the army, they should state where it was, and at what business, or if they have known him as neighbors only, they should state about what distance from him they lived; how frequently, on an average, each week, month, or year, they saw him and conversed with him, and how intimate they were with him during this time, and from what disease or disability he has suffered during all the time they employed him, worked with him, or lived near him, and how severely; whether at any time during this period he was obliged to stop work, was confined to his bed or house, or was wholly unable to do any manual labor because of his alleged disabilities, and give dates as near as recollected when such attacks occurred, how long they lasted, and how severe they were. In this connection, if the witnesses have been his employers, or have worked with or for him, they should state about what proportion of a sound able-bodied man's work he was able to do—whether ¼, ⅓, ½, ⅔, ¾, or as the case may have been; what his actual earnings were, and whether or not the wages paid him were less in amount, and how much less on account of his inability to labor, than were paid to others physically sound, and doing the same kind of work. They should also state how they are able to say what his disabilities have been and are now, and they should describe fully and clearly the symptoms as they appear to them in his case; in fact, describe his physical condition fully during each year of their acquaintance with him.

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