

CITY OF NEW YORK
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

BUREAU OF INVESTIGATIONS
MANHATTAN BOROUGH OFFICE
50 LAFAYETTE STREET
NEW YORK

Case # GAR 629
Att: Miss R. Sheerin

Sept. 19th, 1933.

Department of Interior
Bureau of Pensions
Washington, D. C.

RE: SMITH, Benjamin J.
Enlisted 8-4-63 Discharged 5-4-66
Co. F. - 4th Regt. U.S. Colored Infantry
Enlisted at Balto. Md. Disch'd at Wash.D.C.

Dear Sirs:

On July 31st, 1933, we wrote you the following letter:

Will you kindly inform this Department when the above captioned soldier made an application for Pension if he mentioned the names of any children in this application.

Mrs. Elizabeth Smith Stephen, residing at 308 W. 119th St., New York City, N.Y., has appealed to this Department for financial relief as the daughter of this Veteran.

Any information you may be able to give us will be greatly appreciated, as we are trying to establish a relationship to the Veteran.

Thanking you for your kind cooperation, we are awaiting an early reply so we may be able to render a decision on this case.

Very truly yours,

JAMES W. KELLY,
Second Deputy Commissioner



Flora M. Purcell
FLORA M. PURCELL,
Chief Supervisor *Per RS*

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Saw a postal-card addressed to the widow, Eliza Smith, Baltimore, Md., in which the number 955-114 appeared. Also saw a copy of a Pension Certificate 971-679, name on same- Benjamin B. Smith. In addition to this, saw a third postal-card addressed to Elizabeth J. Stephens, 308 W. 119th St., New York City dated Nov. 13th, 1920. This was in reference to appl. re-im. rec'd and filed from Pension Bureau, Wash., D.C.

All this correspondence is to prove that our applicant is the daughter of the Veteran.

FMP *RS*