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# Department of the Interior,

## Bureau of Pensions,

Washington, D. C., June 22, 1905.

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Mr. David L. Stanton,  
528 W. Franklin Street,  
Baltimore, Maryland.

Sir:

The law requires that declarations of pension claimants shall be made before a court of record, or before some officer thereof having custody of its seal, or before some officer, who, under the laws of his state, city, or county, has authority to administer oaths for general purposes.

A paper purporting to be an application for pension, under the Act of June 27, 1890, as amended, containing a power of attorney in your favor, which was filed in this Bureau on the 20th instant, in behalf of Benjamin Adams formerly of Company C, 30 United States Colored Infantry, certificate number 194,780, cannot be accepted, for the reason that it does not appear that the claimant was sworn to the statements made therein by an officer authorized to administer oaths for general purposes, the certificate

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