

Also personally appeared Mary Perkins residing in Baltimore
546 W. Hoffman, and Blanche Johnson residing in Atlantic City, N. J.
persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit,
and who, being by me duly sworn, say they were present and saw
the claimant, sign her name (or 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 of 32 years and
24 years, respectively, that she is the identical person she represents herself to be; and that
they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

Mary Perkins
Blanche Johnson
(Signatures of witnesses.)

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME, this 1st day of September, A. D. 1912
and I hereby certify that the contents in the foregoing declaration, etc., were fully made known and
explained to the applicant and witnesses before swearing, including the words

erased, and the words

added,

[L. S.] and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

Certificate on file to cover
date.

S. A. CUDDY,
Chief, Law Division:
AN ACT

Official Character:

Justice of the Peace
Declaration and
power of attorney valid
as to execution.

TO INCREASE THE PENSION OF WIDOWS, MINOR CHILDREN AND SO FORTH, OF DECEASED SOLDIERS AND SAILORS OF THE LATE
CIVIL WAR, THE WAR WITH MEXICO, THE VARIOUS INDIAN WARS, AND SO FORTH, AND TO GRANT PENSIONS TO CER-
TAIN WIDOWS OF THE DECEASED SOLDIERS AND SAILORS OF THE LATE CIVIL WAR.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
That from and after the passage of this Act the rate of pension for widows, minor children under the age of sixteen
years, and helpless minors as defined by existing laws, now on the roll or hereafter to be placed on the pension roll and
entitled to receive a less rate than hereinafter provided, shall be twelve dollars per month; and nothing herein shall be
construed to affect the existing allowance of two dollars per month for each child under the age of sixteen years and for
each helpless child; and all Acts or parts of Acts inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed: Pro-
vided, however, That this Act shall not be so construed as to reduce any pension under any Act, public or private.

SEC. 2. That if any officer or enlisted man who served ninety days or more in the Army or Navy of the United
States during the late Civil War and who has been honorably discharged therefrom, has died or shall hereafter die,
leaving a widow, such widow shall, upon due proof of her husband's death, without proving his death to be the result of
his Army or Navy service, be placed on the pension roll from the date of the filing of her application therefor under
this Act at the rate of twelve dollars per month during her widowhood, provided, that said widow shall have married
said soldier or sailor prior to June twenty-seventh, eighteen hundred and ninety; and the benefits of this section shall
include those widows whose husbands if living would have a pensionable status under the Joint Resolutions of February
fifteenth, eighteen hundred and ninety-five, July first, nineteen hundred and two, and June twenty-eighth, nineteen hun-
dred and six.

SEC. 3. That no claim agent or attorney shall be recognized in the adjudication of claims under the first section of this
Act, and that no agent, attorney, or other person engaged in preparing, presenting, or prosecuting any claim under the
provisions of the second section of this Act shall, directly or indirectly, contract for, demand, receive, or retain for such
services in preparing, presenting, or prosecuting such claim a sum greater than ten dollars, which sum shall be payable
only upon the order of the Commissioner of Pensions by the pension agent making payment of the pension allowed; and
any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this section or who shall wrongfully withhold from the pensioner
or claimant the whole or any part of a pension or claim allowed or due such pensioner or claimant under this Act shall
be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall, for each and every such offense, be fined not exceeding
five hundred dollars or be imprisoned at hard labor not exceeding two years, or both, in the discretion of the court.

Approved, April 19, 1908.

CLAIM FOR PENSION

WIDOW'S claim

Number, 447052
Name, Annis Perkins
Soldier, Stephen Perkins
Service, Co. B 7th U.S. Inf.

INSTRUCTIONS.

This form may be used for original pension
under Act of April 19, 1908.
Declaration and testimony in support of same
to be executed before some officer of a court of
record having custody of its seal, a Notary
Public, Justice of the Peace, or other officer au-
thorized to administer oaths for general pur-
poses. If such officer is not required by law to
have and use a seal, his official character, signa-
ture, and term of office must be certified by the
proper State, County, or City officer under his
official seal unless such certificate has been filed
in the Bureau of Pensions for general reference.

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