REPRODUCED AT THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES

89 89

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT

State of Maryland, County of Baltimore, ss:

In the matter of Widow's Pension Act April 19, 1908 by Adeline Barnes widw of John S. Barnes, late Co. "F" 19th Regt. U. S. C. Troops

Personally came before me, a Notary Public (Notary, Justice or Clerk of Court.) in and for the aforesaid County and State, James W. Johnson (Name of witness.) aged 49 years, and ..... (Name of witness.), aged ..... years, citizens of the town of 328 W. Hoffman Street (Post-office address. Give Street and No. if in city or town.) County of Baltimore, State of Maryland

well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declare in relation to aforesaid case, as follows:

That I am a half-brother of the claimant Mrs Adeline Barnes the widow of John S. Barnes; that we had the same Mother, and from a close association with said claimant prior to her marriage to the deceased John S. Barnes, and from a personal association with said John S. Barnes for at least two years prior to his said marriage, I am in a condition to know that neither the claimant nor the deceased soldier was ever married prior to their marriage to each other in the Summer of the year 1876, that I was personally present and witnessed the marriage of the said claimant Adeline Barnes ~~formerly Adeline Waters, to the said John S. Barnes; that I dis-~~ tinctly remember the marriage from the fact that they were married during the Centennial year held in Philadelphia, Pa. That I do know that said claimant and deceased soldier John S. Barnes lived together as man and wife from the date of their said marriage as aforesaid until his death and was never divorced, and I further certify that said claimant Adeline Barnes has not remmaried since ~~the death of her husband the said John S. Barnes.~~ I know these facts from my own personal knowledge derived from close and intimate association; and from an inspection of her marriage certificate this day, which shows that said marriage was performed on the 8th. day of June 1876; said Certificate now in the possession of the claimant Adeline Barnes.

(Note—Affiants should state how they gain a knowledge of the facts to which they testify.)

RECEIVED NOV 9 1909 DIVISION

I further declare that I have no interest in said case and am not concerned in its prosecution.

1 M. S. Frank

2

If Affiants sign by mark, two witnesses who can write, sign here.

James W. Johnson

(Signature of Affiants.)

NOTE.—In the execution of papers and evidence, whenever a person or witness signs by mark (†), two persons *who can write* must attest the signature by signing their names opposite.

The official before whom papers are executed is *not a competent witness to a mark.* [OVER.]

NOV 6 1909

24