

A. Declaration for Invalid Pension.

State of Maryland } ss.
 City County of Baltimore

On this 6th day of March 1865, personally appeared before me,
 a Clerk of a Court of Record, in the County and State aforesaid, Benjamin
Nicholson aged 43 years, a resident of Baltimore
 County of Baltimore in the State of Maryland who,
 being duly sworn, declares that he is the identical Benjamin Nicholson
 who enlisted in the service of the United States at Baltimore
 in the State of Maryland on the 29th day of February 1864
 as a Private in Company C commanded by Capt. Croderuff
30th Regiment of Ms. Colored Volunteers
 in the war of 1861, and was honorably discharged on the 22^d day of January
 1865. That while in the service aforesaid, and in the line of his duty, on or about the
28th day of October in the year of our Lord 1864, he received
a wound in the ankle joint while
cutting wood near Weldon Rail Road
Virginia which has rendered his leg
almost useless he having to use crutches

He makes this application for a pension, provided by the act of Congress approved July
 14, 1862, and hereby appoints DARIUS FORBES, General Claim Agent of the United States
 Sanitary Commission, or his successor in office, of Washington, D. C., his lawful attorney, and
 authorizes him to present and prosecute this claim, and to receive and receipt for any orders
 or certificates that may be issued in satisfaction thereof. My Post Office address is as
 follows: 77 Melmore alley Balto Md care Col Creager

558 West Baltimore St Baltimore
John W. Peale Benjamin Nicholson
Maklon Talbot (Signature of Claimant.)

Also personally appeared before me, Richard Harris and
Nathaniel Smith residents of Baltimore County of
Baltimore and State of Maryland to me well known
 as credible persons, who, being duly sworn, declare that they were present and saw said
Benjamin Nicholson sign his name to the foregoing declaration, and
 that they believe, from the appearance of the applicant and their acquaintance with him, that
 he is the identical person he represents himself to be, and that his character and habits are
 good, and that his occupation is that of a Drayman and they
 further state that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim. and they further swear
that said Benjamin Nicholson is a free man

Attest John W. Peale Richard Harris
Maklon Talbot Nathaniel Smith
 (Signatures of Witnesses.)

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 6th day of March 1865,
 and I hereby certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

Agnes Mac clk
 (Official Signature.)
Superior Court Baltimore City
 4126-293-85

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