

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

State of Maryland, Baltimore City, to wit:



BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 27 day of February A. D., 1895, before me, the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace of the said State, in and for the City aforesaid, personally appeared James Gooding - age about 50 years - P. O. Address 945 Harmony Lane - Baltimore - Maryland

and made oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that I was acquainted with the deceased William Smothers & his widow Elizabeth Smothers, since before the war, we were children together. I know they were married, but can't state the exact date - Neither of them had been previously married - they were never divorced, but lived together until his death - She has not re-married since his death - She has no income & owns no property

The above was written in my presence & at my request by Wm W. Cunningham 856 W Baltimore Street to whom I made the statements and is from my own knowledge of the facts & not dictated by any other person - Have no interest in the claim

Witness to Mark  
Wm W. Cunningham  
Audrey & Carrick

James <sup>his</sup> Gooding  
mark

Subscribed & sworn to by the affiant whom I believe to be a credible person - the same being read over to him - Have no interest in the claim

Audrey & Carrick  
Justice of the Peace

no pr mge - no divorce - widhd - dep - mge