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CLAIM FOR PENSION.
WITH CHILDREN.

ORIGINAL.

_____, Applicant.

Widow of _____

Co., _____

Regt. _____

Vols. _____



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All the blanks in this form should be carefully filled and the requirements of the notes strictly observed.

An honorable discharge from the service in all cases is necessary.

Declarations of claimants, either for original pension or for increase of pension already granted, must be made before a court of record, or before some officer thereof having custody of its seal; said officer being fully authorized and empowered to administer and certify any oath or affirmation relating to any pension or application therefor.

The claimant's identity and loyalty must be proven by two witnesses, certified by the judicial officer to be respectable and credible, who are present and witness the signature of the declarant, and certify to his identity and loyalty under oath or affirmation.

Declarations and other papers should be as legible and as clear in statement as possible.

Where any evidence is already on file in any department of the Government, a definite description of and specific reference to it will render it available in any subsequent claim.

The post office address (naming street and number in all large cities) of the applicant, attorney, and witnesses, should be embodied in or accompany every application, and all evidence in each claim; and each change of residence of said parties, while communicating with the Pension Office or the pension agents, should be stated.

The fees for the prosecution of claims for pensions will not be allowed to exceed twenty-five dollars; no part of which is payable before the certificate for the pension has been issued.

Pensions are, by law, exempted from any liability on account of the obligations of the pensioners, and no lien upon them can be recognized.

All facts, testimony of which is required to establish a claim, must be proven by the affidavits of two or more credible witnesses, unless other evidence is specified.

The statements of claimants, unless duly corroborated, are not accepted as evidence.

Testimony, in support of allegations made in a declaration, may be taken before any officer whose authority and signature are duly certified, and who shall disclaim any interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of the claim.

Persons desiring to complete claims pending at the decease of the claimants, must furnish a duly verified certificate of their authority as heirs or legal representatives.

With all claims for arrears, increase, or restoration to the rolls, the original pension certificate must be returned, or explanation of its absence must be given under oath.

To facilitate the adjudication of claims, all the requisite evidence that is available should be forwarded with the application.