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Widow Division
W.O. 1183018
Rebecca Welch
Benjamin Welch
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF PENSIONS

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Mrs. Rebecca Welch
207 Lafayette Street
Bordertown, New Jersey

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Madam:

Your above cited claim requires your sworn statement showing the date and cause of your separation from the soldier; all places, with dates, where you and he each lived from date of said separation until the date of the soldier's death; and you should furnish certificates from the custodians of the divorce records of all such places showing whether either you or the soldier ever obtained or applied for a divorce the one from the other.

There is also required the sworn statements of two witnesses who have personal knowledge of the fact, showing how long within their knowledge you and the soldier lived together as husband and wife after your marriage.

It is proper to advise you that the soldier stated in papers on file that you and he were separated and he later married a woman named Sarah, who died sixteen years ago.

The evidence indicated in the accompanying circular letter is also required.

Very respectfully

Washington Gardner

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Commissioner