

State of West Virginia, County of Jefferson, ss:

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 9<sup>th</sup> day of September

A. D. 1897, by the above named affiant S, and I certify that I read said affidavit to said affiant S, including the words.....

erased, and the words.....

added, and acquainted them with its contents before they executed the same. I further certify that I am

in nowise interested in said case, nor am I concerned in its prosecution, and that said affiant S are personally well known to me, and that they are credible persons.

[L. S.]

J. S. Fleming  
(Signature.)  
Notary Public  
Official Character.)

**ORDER 229---INSTRUCTIONS.**

Under Order 229 of the Commissioner of Pensions dated June 19, 1893, it is absolutely necessary in every case, where the witness does not write his own affidavit, that he shall close with, and embody in his affidavit, a statement, if it can be truthfully done, substantially as follows:

This affidavit was written in (my or our) presence at (give name of town and State) by (give name of the person who writes the affidavit), of (give post-office address of person who writes the affidavit), on the..... day of..... 189..... only from (my or our) oral statements then made, and in making such oral statements (I or we) did not use and (was or were) not aided or prompted by any written or printed statement or recital prepared or dictated by any other person and not attached as an exhibit hereto.

If, however, the affiant writes the affidavit himself, he should close with, and embody in his affidavit, substantially the following words in his own handwriting.

This affidavit is in my own handwriting, and I certify that in its preparation I was not aided or prompted by any written or printed statement or recital prepared or dictated by any other person.

**Affidavits not made in strict conformity with these instructions will be rejected by the Pension Bureau.**

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Act June 1890  
Mothers Pensions Div. So.  
No. 58469

ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE.

CLAIM OF

Robert A. Bowman  
George H. Harris  
4 Reg't 2d 67 Vols.

AFFIDAVIT OF

John D. Sumner  
Aug McLean

FILED BY

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