

Affidavit.

State of Maryland

County of Anne Arundel

ss:

In the Claim of

Edward alias Geo H Tasker - late of
Co H. 30th U.S. & T. Inf. U.S. - Conn. - U.S.A.

ON THIS 13th day of October, A. D. 1896,

before me, a Justice of the Peace, in and for the aforesaid County,

duly authorized to administer oaths, personally appeared Joseph Harriot

aged 52 years, a resident of near Annapolis, in the County of

Anne Arundel, and State of Maryland, whose Post Office address is

Annapolis and Thomas Sarah

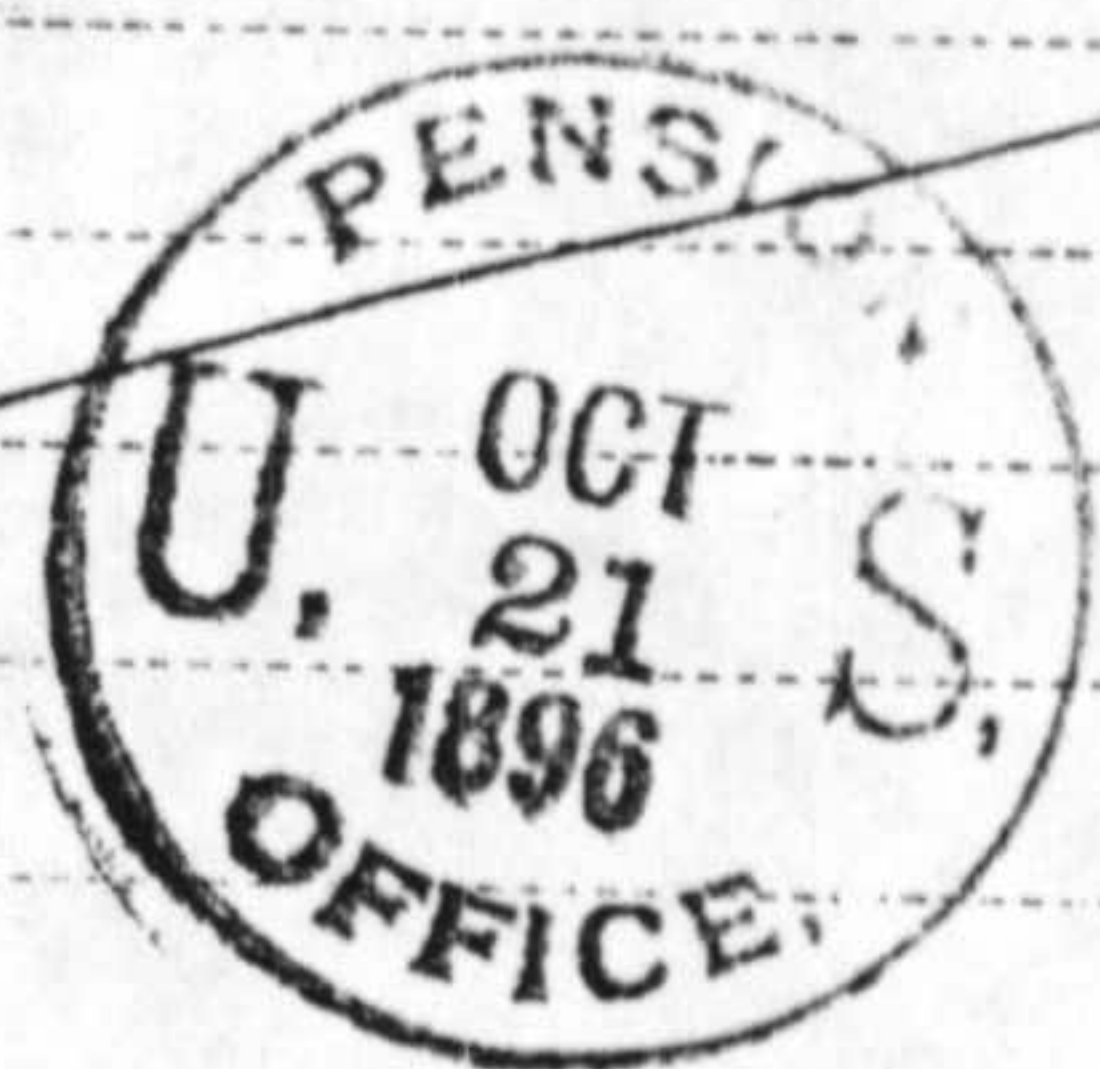
aged 57 years, a resident of Annapolis, in the County of

Anne Arundel, and State of Maryland, whose Post Office address is

Annapolis, well known to me to be respectable

and entitled to credit, and who being duly sworn, declare in relation to aforesaid case as follows:

We have known the claimant Edward or George H. Tasker from 1850 before the war - We enlisted and served with him in Co. H. 30th Reg. U.S. & T. Inf. And were transferred to the U.S. Navy together with him, to the U.S. Receiving Ship New-Hampshire and were together on said ship several months. He served under the name of George H. Tasker. George H. Tasker was on the U.S. ship Clover, Joseph Harriot on U.S. ship Oriander, and Thomas Sarah on the U.S. ship Wabash. These ships all belong to the same fleet, we often met and had interviews - The man Edward Tasker before us, is the same man who served in the Navy under the name of George H. Tasker, and we recognize him as being the same identical man.



This affidavit was written by R. E. King at Annapolis Md. Oct. 13 - 1896 in our presence, that we 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.

We further declare that we have no interest in said claim, and are not concerned in its prosecution.

Samuel Jones

Geo W. Mackall

Witnesses sign by mark, two persons who can write sign here.

Joseph Harriot
Thomas Sarah

Signature of Affiants