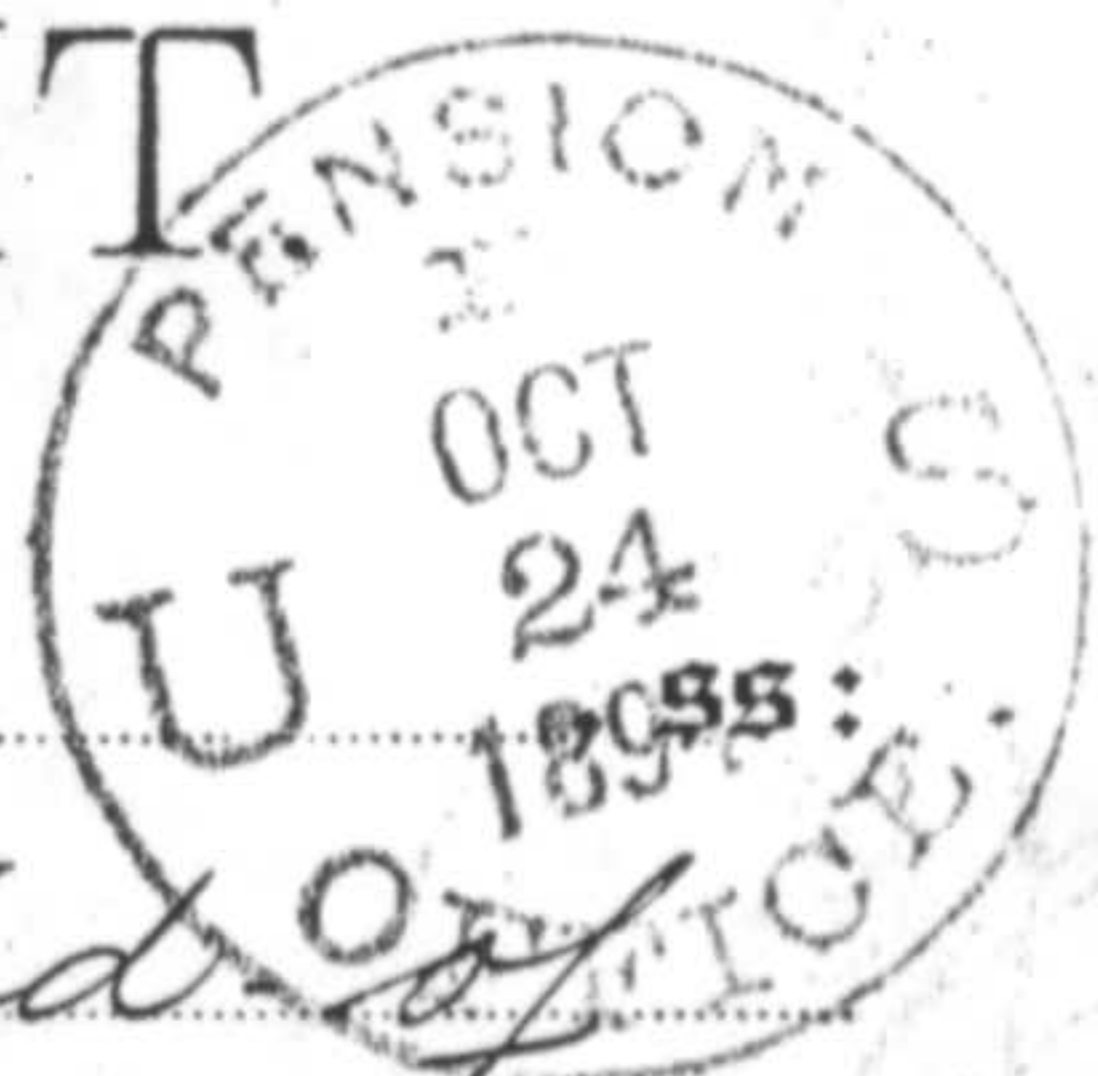


GENERAL AFFIDAVIT



State of Maryland, County of Charles

In the matter of Pen. Cl. # — Mary L. Butler widow of
Richard Butler late Pvt. Co. "G" - 7th U. S. C. I.

ON THIS 18th day of October, A. D. 1894, personally appeared before me The subscriber a Justice of the Peace and for the aforesaid County, duly authorized to administer oaths Baptist Wade aged 58 years, a resident of Hughesville, in the County of Charles, and State of Maryland, whose Post-Office address is Hughesville Charles County Md
Isaac Butler aged 21 years, a resident of Charles, in the County of Charles County, and State of Maryland, whose Post-Office address is Hughesville Charles County Md
well known to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declared in relation to aforesaid case as follows:

That said Baptist Wade for himself declares that he has
[NOTE.—Affiants should state how they gain a knowledge of the facts to which they testify.]

known Richard Butler from the time he returned from the war that he
always was complaining of sickness and troubles about health until
he died such a rheumatism, shortness of breath and pains through the
breast, and he said that he had never had them before the war, and before he was
wounded that he often was so that he could not raise his arm (right)
to his head, and was overcome, by the least exertion, that he died
suddenly and had no doctor, and it is supposed died from heart disease
the result of other ailments as above and Isaac Butler who
was living with him declares that he was lingering
and complaining very much at times laying down and at other times
setting up and the day before he died he thought he was better
and when he died it with a choking and a
suffocating sensation that he was his son & was present with
him but was not expecting his death which was on the 24th day of last June
1894 Bap. Wade has always been intimate with him from the time he returned
from the war, and lived neighbors, that neither of affiants can write and
that they got Rufus Robey to write this affidavit (at Mrs. Mary L. Butler's) for them
on the 15th day of Oct. 1894, from their oral statements made to him, and that they
did not use and was not prompted by any written or printed statement or dicta
prepared or dictated by any other person

further declare that That they have no interest in said case and are
not concerned in its prosecution.

Lucy Smallwood
Rufus Robey

Baptist Wade
Isaac Butler

[If Affiants signs by mark, two witnesses who can write sign here]

[Signatures of Affiants.]