

TO THE PHYSICIAN:

THIS AFFIDAVIT SHOULD BE IN YOUR OWN HANDWRITING. IT SHOULD CONFORM FULLY TO THE MARGINAL INSTRUCTIONS, AND SHOULD BE SO COMPLETE THAT THE MEDICAL OFFICERS OF THE PENSION OFFICE CAN KNOW THE EXACT PHYSICAL CONDITION OF THE CLAIMANT, BY READING THE AFFIDAVIT.

MEDICAL AFFIDAVIT.

PRESENT CONDITION OF SOLDIER.

Return to CHARLES & WILLIAM B. KING, No. 916, F Street, Washington, D. C., as soon as executed.

STATE OF *Maryland*
COUNTY OF *Washington*

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In the matter of the Pension Claim of *Joseph H. Cole*,
late of Co. *F*, *2^d* Reg't, *Col.* Vols. personally came before me, *Clerk of the Circuit Court*,
in and for the aforesaid County and State, Dr. *John L. Steffey*, Title of officer administering oath.
Haynetown, County of *Washington* State of *Maryland*,
who, I hereby certify, is a respectable and credible person, and who, being duly sworn, declares in relation to the

Instructions.
The physician will please add a statement in narrative form showing the following facts:
1. State whether you find the disability for which pension is claimed, being careful to name it.
2. State exactly how the claimant is affected by it.
3. State particularly how this disability in your opinion, interferes with his following his ordinary occupation.
4. State to what degree it incapacitates him for the ordinary manual labor of an able-bodied man, rating the degree $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{2}{4}$, $\frac{3}{4}$, or total.
5. Describe any other disease, disability or infirmity from which the claimant is now suffering.
6. State whether, in your opinion, this disability is in any manner connected with the disability for which he claims pension.

aforesaid claim that his age is *35* years; that he has been a practising physician for the past *19* years; that he has made a careful medical examination of the above-named claimant and finds his present physical condition as follows:

Was injured in the Army by a Canon Ball falling upon the right foot over the metatarsal phalangeal articulation of first and second toes. Causing partial ankylosis of the same with pain at intervals of a neuralgic character extending as high up as the knees interfering with locomotion. More or less swelling of the foot especially during the winter months. He is unable to perform the labor of only that one half that of an able bodied man. (using his own language)

He further declares that he is not interested in said claim or concerned in its prosecution.

John L. Steffey MD
Signature of physician.