

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

State of Maryland County of Calvert ss:

In the matter of Pension Claim No 444,326 of William
Mc Coats late Co I 7th U. S. C. Infy

ON THIS 13th day of May, A. D. 1892, personally appeared before me
a Justice of the Peace, in and for the aforesaid County, duly authorized to administer oaths
Joseph John Gross aged 35 years, a resident of 1st Election District
in the County of Calvert and State of Maryland
whose postoffice address is Wallsville Md
well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declared, in relation to
aforesaid case, as follows:

that he has been acquainted with the above named

NOTE—Affiant should state how he gained a knowledge of the facts to which he testifies.

claimant ever since boy hood, and have lived within a
mile of him ever since his acquaintance and saw
him almost every day except when he was absent in the
army: that claimant was a sound man prior to and
at the date of enlistment, so far as he knows: that when
he returned from the army he was suffering from
rheumatism in right knee and piles and complained
that he was scarcely able to walk: he also complained of
a gun shot wound that had struck him on the right
shoulder, which disabled him at times very much, and
caused him a great deal of pain: that his knowledge
of claimant's disabilities is derived from hearing him
complain so often, and from seeing him when suffering
from pain, and from noticing with what difficulty
he walked: his knee became at times swollen, and that
prevented him from walking: that from his general
appearance and from his difficulty in walking
affiant is of the opinion, that the claimant has been
fully disabled one half for the performance of
manual labor, and that he cannot perform more
than one half the labor a sound able bodied man
should do. Affiant testifies from long and intimate
acquaintance and from general observation

He further declares that he has no interest in said case, and that he is not concerned in its prosecution.

W. Peterson

Joseph John Gross

Signature of Affiant.

R. W. Lee

If Affiant signs by mark, two witnesses who can write sign here.

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