

Physician's Affidavit.

NOTE: The officer before whom the affiant was sworn must fill in the name of the State and County in which it was executed. This affidavit should, if possible, be in the handwriting of the affiant, and marginal instructions should be carefully observed.

State of MD County of Kent

In the Pension Claim of John C. Bailey
late of Co. "C" 7th Reg't. U.S.C. Inf. Vols.

Before me, a Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State
aforesaid, personally appeared Doctor W. J. Simpson
whose residence and Post Office address is Chestertown MD

well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declares in relation to the aforesaid case as follows:

That I am a Practicing Physician, and have been acquainted with said soldier about 15 years.

That I have made a personal examination of the soldier above named, and find he is affected as follows:

Affiant should here fully describe the nature and present condition of the claimant's disability. See side note.

NOTE.

The object of this affidavit is to show the claimant's present physical condition, and, therefore, your affidavit should be based upon a physical examination made at the present time, and whatever personal knowledge you have of his physical condition, stating fully how such knowledge has been derived, whether from treatment, consultation or otherwise.

Before making the affidavit you should read over the instructions set forth in the slip or letter herewith, so that you will clearly understand the nature of the statement required.

Height 5 ft 6 in, weight about 150 lbs, body fairly well muscled, lungs normal, heart very slight blowing systolic murmur other organs apparently normal. This man has been a patient of mine for the past six (6) years during which time I know that he has suffered greatly from articular rheumatism and lumbago and which have caused him to lose considerable time and disabled him for performance of manual labor more than 1/2. He also met with two severe accidents which have debilitated him and still cause him much suffering. I can recommend him to the consideration of your honorable board.

In my opinion the claimant is disabled for the performance of manual labor, on account of the above named disabilities, to the extent of 1/2 an ordinary man's labor.