

Law Division

Ctf. No. 794555
Eliza Jackson
widow of
James A. Jackson
Co. H, 19 U.S.C. Inf.

September 2, 1915.

yes.

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Sirs:

In response to your letter of the 20th ultimo relative to the claim above cited, you are advised that by reason of the pensioner's mental incompetency the appointment of a guardian of her estate, to whom the pension can be paid, is deemed necessary, but inasmuch as the law of Maryland where she resides makes provision for the appointment of guardians only in connection with the persons and estates of minors, the appointment of a committee or trustee of the pensioner's estate by a court of equity will fully satisfy the requirements.

It seems unfortunate that such appointment is an expensive proceeding, but this does not obviate the necessity therefor, as the law requires that the pension of those laboring under legal disability shall be paid to their guardians.