

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

County of Dorchester State of Maryland ss:

IN THE MATTER OF the claim for pension of Martha Stafford,
widow of Robert Stafford, Co. C., 7th U. S. Col. Inf.

ON THIS 3rd day of April A. D., 1902, personally appeared before me,
Justice of the Peace in and for the aforesaid County, duly authorized to administer oaths,

Esther Anne Allen aged about 70 years, a resident of Cambridge

in the County of Dorchester and State of Maryland,

whose post-office address is Cambridge, Maryland, and

aged about 70 years, a resident of Cambridge, Maryland

in the County of Dorchester and State of Maryland

whose post-office address is Cambridge, Maryland well known to me to

be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declared in relation to the aforesaid case as follows:

I do not know my age exactly but I think I am about
70. I know Robert Stafford, the deceased, very well.
He was my brother in law. He married my sister Abby
before the war of the rebellion, and when it was over he came
home and resumed his wife. I lived with them in Bechtel's
rich in this country until her death. I can say the
exact years, but my said sister Abby Stafford died there several
years after the war. It may have been as late as 1870. I know
she is dead because I was living with her at the time, nursed

[Note.—Affiants should state how they gain a knowledge of the facts to which they testify.]

her in her last sickness, and was at her bedside when
she drew her last breath. I also attended her funeral.
Robert & Abby Stafford only had one child, and it died
young. Robert Stafford married the claimant some
years after his first wife's death, and he & she lived
& wife to the time of his death. He never had any other
children.

I further declare that I have no interest, either direct or indirect, in the prosecution of said claim.

Gora Lohase

Emma Whittington

[If affiants sign by mark, two persons who can write sign here.]

Esther Anne Allen
Martha

[Signature of affiants.]