

No. 19

PROOF OF INCURRENCE OF DISABILITY.

NOTE.—This affidavit must be executed by a Commissioned Officer, or First Sergeant, of claimant's company, if possible; but if not possible to secure such evidence, then one of the soldier's late comrades should testify.

State of Maryland, County of Calvert, ss:

Personally appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace in and for the aforesaid County and State, duly authorized to administer oaths,

William Brown, aged about 50 years, a resident _____, in the County of Calvert, and State of Maryland,

who, being duly sworn according to law, states that he is acquainted with James Wilson, applicant for Invalid Pension,

and knows the said James Wilson to be the identical person of that name who served as a private soldier in Company H, 4th Regiment of Colored Vols,

and who was discharged at Federal Hill Baltimore on or about the last day of November, 1866, by reason of Term of service expiring.

(Here insert the reason of the soldier's discharge, if known; if not known, so state.)

That the said James Wilson, while in the line of his duty, at or near Camp Bowdoin, in the State of Florida,

did, on or about the _____ day of June or July, 1865, become disabled in the following manner, viz: After his foot was burnt.

(Here state how the wound, injury, or disease, was incurred. Describe the wound, injury or disease, and state the location of the same.) helped to put him in an ambulance

That the facts as above stated are personally known to affiant by reason of I know.

(Here state whether with the command at the time the disability was incurred, and in case of wound or injury, whether an eye witness to the incurrance of the same, and the kind of duty claimant was performing at the time.) That James Wilson was with his command at the time his foot was burnt. I was an eye witness because I helped to put him in the ambulance. he was assisting in burning breast works when injured.

I hereby certify that the above statement was written by B. H. Duke at his residence in Calvert County Maryland in my presence, and I stated the above facts orally to him, and he read it over to me after it was written. I did not see, and was not aided or prompted by any written or printed statement or recital prepared or dictated by any other person.