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Mahaily A.,
Widow of
John W. Smith,
U.S. Navy.

September 19, 1914.

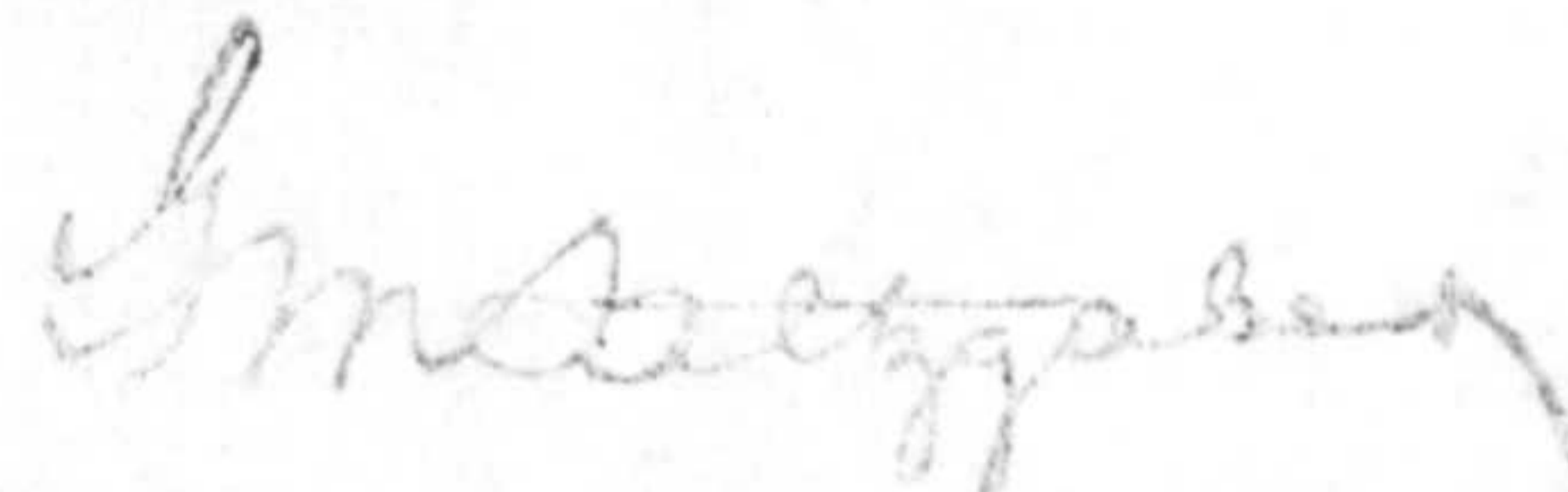
Mrs. Mahaily A. Smith,
1015 Race Street,
Baltimore, Md.

Madam:

Your above-cited claim for pension requires verified copies of the public record, or other competent evidence, showing the date of the sailor's death, the date of your marriage to him and the date of death of his former wife, Anna.

The testimony of credible witnesses having personal knowledge of the facts should be furnished, showing whether you had been married before your marriage to the sailor, whether he had been married more than once before his marriage to you, and whether you and he lived together as husband and wife from the date of your marriage to him to the date of his death, and, if not, whether you were divorced from him.

Very respectfully,



Commissioner.