

Attention is invited to the outlines of the human skeleton and figure upon the back of this certificate, and they should be used whenever it is possible to indicate precisely the location of a disease or injury, the entrance and exit of a missile, an amputation, etc.

The absence of a member from a session of a board and the reason therefor, if known, and the name of the absentee, must be indorsed upon each certificate.

Insert character and number of claim.

Name and rank of claimant.

Claimant's post office address.

Pension Claim No.

Rank.

Company

Reg't

(Post office address of the Board.)

State.

(Date of examination.)

Original
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H. 7, Reg't, USC 2, Washington, D. C.
701 Smith's Court, Baltimore, Md.
May 15, 1889

We hereby certify that in compliance with the requirements of the law* we have carefully examined this applicant, who states that he is suffering from the following disability, incurred in the service, viz:

Cause of disability.

rheumatism, pleurisy, scurvy, chronic diarrhoea

If a pensioner, fill in the amount; if not, erase the whole line.

and that he receives a pension of _____ dollars per month.

Pulse rate per minute, 80; respiration, 17; temperature, normal; height, 5 feet 0 inches; weight, 130 pounds; age, 38 years.

He makes the following statement upon which he bases his claim for _____

Here give the claimant's statement as briefly and as compactly as possible.

Rheumatism in knee, hip & foot. Has pleurisy awful bad. Scurvy is awful bad. Sometimes has diarrhoea right bad.

Here give a full symptom picture of the case, embracing all the physical and rational signs, but confining it to the present condition of the claimant.

It must be borne in mind that the duty of the Surgeon is to give an opinion as to the proportionate degree of disability, as to total, &c., through the grades, without any regard to dollars and cents, and to make such a full particular description as will afford to this Office the ground for intelligent opinion and action in rating.

Upon examination we find the following objective conditions: No structural change indication of rheumatism in joints, nor fore their movements limited. Is fairly diminished. Heart shows evidence of mitral bruit marked semilunar roughness & left ventricle hypertrophied. Any attempt at rapid movement makes movements of heart tumultuous, confuses all its sounds and almost doubles its rate. Mouth gives no evidence now of existence of ~~stomatitis~~ faint but gums are somewhat soft and most of teeth are gone from both jaws. Abdomen soft on palpation and neither retracted nor protuberant. Tongue clean, no splenic nor hepatic disease. No piles.

From the existing condition and the history of this claimant, as stated by himself, it is, in our judgment, _____ probable that the disability was incurred in the service as he claims, and that it has not been prolonged or aggravated by vicious habits. He is, in our opinion, entitled to a rating for the disability caused by Rheumatism & dis. of heart for that caused by nothing for pleurisy or caused by diarrhoea 4/18

Rate for each cause of disability.

If prolonged by vicious habits, the rate should be raised and the cause of the increase given.

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Pres. My. Rose, Secy. J. H. H. Treas.

N. B.—Always forward a certificate of examination whether a disability is found to exist or not.