

SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE.

Insert character and number of claim.

Increase

Pension Claim No. Cert. 120 050

Name of claimant.

Josiah Briscoe

Address

Baltimore,

P. O.

of

Maryland,

State.

Claimant's post-office address.

Company I.7, Reg't U.S.C. Vol. Inf.
Fishing Point, St. Marys Co., Md.March 21,

[Date of examination.]

1899

Cause of disability.

Gunshot wound of right Hand and Head, affection of Eyes, pains in Head, defective finger, gunshot wound of Hand, Rheumatism, foundered in leg. He receives a pension of Eight dollars per month.

Here give the claimant's statement (as briefly and as compactly as possible) in regard to the origin of his disabilities and the manner in which they affect him.

He makes the following statement upon which he bases his claim for Increase Pension
[Original, increase, restoration, etc.]
"Contracted disabilities while in service. Cannot perform manual labor on account of weakness."

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

We hereby certify that upon examination we find the following objective conditions:

Pulse rate, 76, 84, 90, respiration, 18, 22, 28, temperature, 98,
[Sitting, standing, after exercise.] [Sitting, standing, after exercise.]height, 5 feet 5 inches; actual weight, 133 pounds; age, 65 years.

Here give a full description of the disabilities, in accordance with Book of Instructions.

Gunshot wound. The tip of right index finger is missing, as alleged by gunshot wound. A small portion of the nail remains. The stump is sensitive, but well covered. The sensitiveness might interfere to slight degree in grasping hard objects. Motion of finger is not impaired. Rating 12/18. ✓

The actual or probable origin of every existing disability must be fully set forth.

Whenever a disability is shown or is believed to be due to or aggravated by vicious habits the opinion of the board must be stated. When not due to such habits this fact must be stated.

Gunshot wound and pain in Head. Has a scar on the left parietal bone, 2 inches above the ear; 1/4 inch wide, 2 inches long; adherent and sensitive. The tissues of the scalp surrounding the scar are tender upon pressure and he claims that pressure of a hat upon the scar causes pain, which is probably true. Gunshot wound of head. Rating 2/18. ✓Eyes. External and internal structures each eye normal. Vision each eye 20/30. No rating.

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Rheumatism and Founder. Has crepitation in his large joints with pain on motion. No deformity or limitation of motion of joints. All his muscles are sore to touch and back and neck are painful in stooping and rising. He is old and feeble. ✓

Each disability must be rated separately, the act of Congress of March 2, 1895, requiring "that the report of such examining surgeons shall specifically state the rating which, in their judgment, the applicant is entitled to."

His movements are slow and he has all the evidences of debility of age. His digestive apparatus and mental power are unimpaired. Heart normal in size, position and function. No hypertrophy or dilatation. No dyspnea, cyanosis or oedema. He is unable to perform manual labor more than one-half time on account of rheumatism and debility of age. Rating 12/18. ✓Except the above, all organs normal. Chest measures, expiration 33, rest 34, inspiration 36. Urine pale. S. G. 1020. Acid. No albumen or sugar.

When rates are recommended solely on subjective evidence the strongest reasons must be given therefor.

No evidence of vicious habits.His disabilities are permanent.U. A. White, Pres. Geo. R. Hake, Sec'y. G. Lane Pennington, Treas.

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