

Claim No. 958,579 of Joseph Shupley (Insane) Co. Lt Regiment. 9th S.C.T.

On this day and date below written, personally appeared the affiant whose signature is hereto affixed and who being duly sworn according to law testified as follows:

"My age is 60 years, I reside in Baltimore, Md., at No. 417 Lytle Monument Street,
I have known Joseph Shupley since his childhood. I know that when he enlisted he was a young man of good sound sense and not the least betwixt-minded, but that when he came home from the army last of '66 or early '67 (I saw him immediately after his return at my house) & he was clearly suffering from mental trouble, he was irrational & had unmistakable signs of insanity & any one could have told in a few minutes that he was not of right mind. His derangement was not due to vicious habits, as he never had any bad habits but could be attributed directly to his army life. From that time to the present I know that he has been continuously insane & helpless as far as labor is concerned, being dependent entirely upon his mother's brother & public charity for support.

This testimony was all written in my presence & only from my own oral statements made to Mr. Lloyd at his office this 3rd Augt 1893 & that in making same I have not been aided or prompted by any written or printed statements or recital by any other person.

I have no interest in this claim person except printed order of the Court
S. Maguire Tubman Ellen Reynolds

State of Maryland, Baltimore City, Ss:
I, SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, this 3 day of Aug 1893, and I certify that the contents of the foregoing were fully made known and explained to affiant above named, (whom I certify to be credible) before his making oath thereto and I have no interest in prosecution of this claim.

S. Maguire Tubman JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

Instructions - Read Carefully. Under the order of the Commissioner of Pensions number 229... (If witness sign by mark, two persons who can write, sign here.)