

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.



State of *Maryland*, County of *Baltimore*

In the matter of *Pension Claim* by *Caroline*
Care maker of Henry Cure Co. Co. 1st U.S. Ct. troops

Personally came before me, *Justice of the Peace* in and for aforesaid County
 and State, *Benjamin T. Banks* aged *49* years
 and *William Green* aged *49* years
 citizens of the town of *Carroll* County of *Baltimore* State of
Maryland

well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who,
 being duly sworn, declare in relation to aforesaid case, as follows:

That we have been
 residents of *Carroll, Baltimore Md* for the past
twenty seven years respectively, and have been intimately
associated and acquainted with the claimant and her
deceased husband Henry Cure in all these years they
also living in the same vicinity, and we do know
that in all these years the said claimant and Henry
Cure lived together as man and wife and were so recog-
nized and respected in the community in which we
lived, that we were frequent visitors to the family and
we do know from personal knowledge that the de-
ceased Henry Cure always treated and acknowledged
the claimant as his wife, that they lived together as such
and were so regarded by their friends and acquaintances,
that we often heard deceased in his lifetime speak of the
claimant as his wife; that we do know that said
claimant has three children, ages respectively, 23, 20,
and 16 years who are recognized as the children of
the claimant Caroline Cure and her husband Henry Cure,
that the deceased soldier always recognized the children
as his own and always provided to the best of his ability
for his wife and family, that always understood
that said parties were married in slave times about
the year 1859 that the claimant's name before marriage
was Caroline Adams and that neither she nor her
deceased husband had been previously married.

We further declare this affidavit was given in
our presence from our own statements made to us, and
we were not induced by any dictation from any source
we further declare that we have no interest in said case, and are not con-
cerned in its prosecution.

No S. Bonds
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Benjamin T. Banks
William Green

Note.—In the execution of papers and evidence, whenever a person or witness signs by mark, if two persons who can write must attest the signature by signing their names opposite.
 The official before whom papers are executed is not a competent witness to a mark.