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"I, _____, the applicant for (increase or original) pension referred to in this medical certificate, do hereby consent to be examined by _____ and Dr. _____ the examining surgeons here present."

By such certificate the claimant will be held to have waived the privilege of the statute relative to examination by a full board.

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The act of Congress approved July 25, 1882, authorizes the Commissioner of Pensions to direct examinations by boards of surgeons. When a claimant ordered before a board finds less than a full board present, he may, if he desires, refuse to be examined, and appear later before the full board. Should he be willing to proceed without a full board, the Secretary of the Board shall specify by name on the certificate of examination the members of the board present, and the applicant shall subscribe his consent on the same paper, thus waiving his privilege relative to examination by a full board.

