

## Wednesday, September 4, 10 A.M.–5 P.M. (EDT)

TIME	#	LECTURE TITLE	PRESENTER
10 A.M.	7	Genealogy and the Freedman's Bank: Records of the Freedman's Savings & Trust Company	Damani Davis National Archives at Washington, DC
11 A.M.	8	Military and Civilian Personnel Records: The National Archives at St. Louis	Ashley Mattingly & Theresa Fitzgerald National Archives at St. Louis, MO
NOON	9	Union Civil War Pensions	Claire Kluskens National Archives at Washington, DC
1 P.M.	10	Federal Penitentiary Records	Jake Ersland National Archives at Kansas City, MO
2 P.M.	11	Finding U.S. Colored Troops at the National Archives	Trevor Plante National Archives at Washington, DC
3 P.M.	12	Genealogy Through Navy Decklogs	Mark Mollan National Archives at Washington, DC
4 P.M.	13	Oh, The Stories They Tell: Chinese Exclusion Acts Case Files at the National Archives & Records Administration	Susan Karren National Archives at Seattle, WA

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# UNION CIVIL WAR PENSION FILES

## Claire Prechtel Kluskens

Pension files for Union Civil War veterans provide valuable information about veterans' service during the war, about their lives, and the lives of their families after the war.



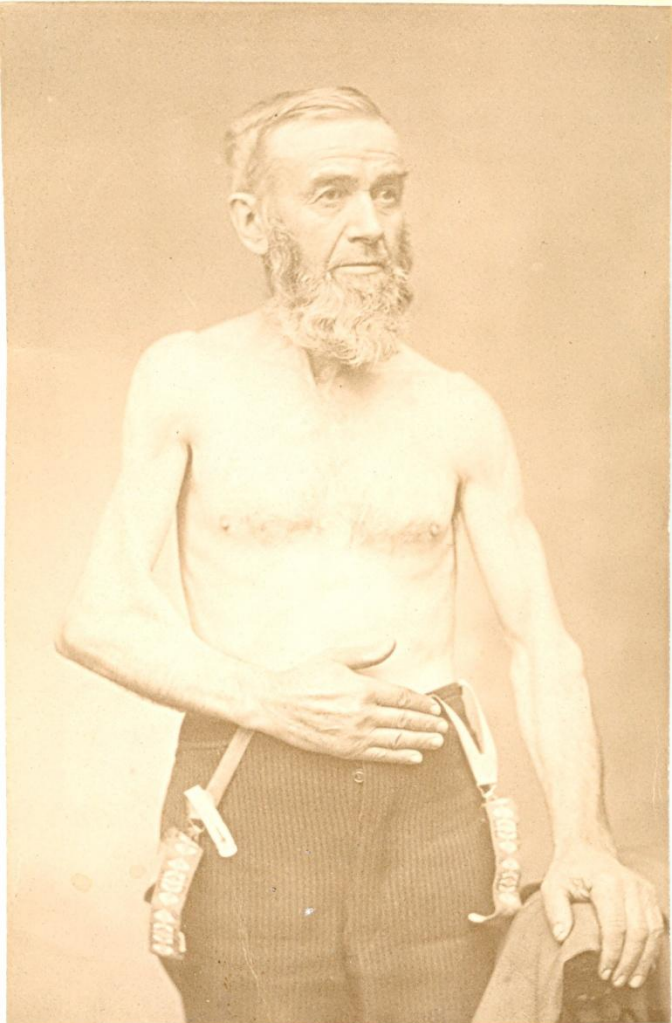
# UNION CIVIL WAR PENSION FILES

## Claire Prechtel Kluskens



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 National Archives  
 Washington, DC

Claire Kluskens is a genealogical projects archivist specializing in immigration, census, military, and other records of high genealogical value. She spearheaded the completion of more than 310 National Archives microfilm publications. She lectures frequently and has published extensively in national, state, and local genealogical publications. Claire has been a National Archives staff member since 1992 and has done genealogical research since 1976.



# Union Civil War Pension Files

Claire Kluskens

National Archives  
Washington, DC

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*Isa Black Photo* FRANKLIN, P



# Civil War – an Overview

- 2,278,000 *Union service records* in the National Archives
  - Some men have more than one *service record*
  - Served in multiple regiments
  - Actual number of men who served, maybe 2,213,000
- 90% (or more) of the men who served have a *pension file* (my best guess)
  - ONE file per soldier; soldier's claim, widow's claim, minor children's claim.
  - Widow married to more than one soldier: both soldiers' files may be COMBINED as one file



# Civil War – an Overview

- Estimated 2,278,000 service records (Union)
- Deaths in Service (about 360,000)
  - 110,000 Killed in Action or died of wounds
  - 200,000 Disease
  - 25,000 Confederate Prisons
  - 4,000 Accidents
  - 5,000 Drowning
  - 1,000 Sunstroke/Murdered/Killed after capture
  - 391 Suicide
  - 300 Executed (267 by Union, 64 by Confederate)
  - 2,000 Miscellaneous causes
  - 12,000 Unknown causes



## Union Civil War pension files are stored in the National Archives Building, Washington, DC

Some CW Pension Files are NOT with us; still in legal custody of Dept. of Veterans Affairs





# Lots of Files

- Roughly 2 million Civil War pension files
- Here is one box: 14 files in this box





# Lots of Files

- Roughly 2 million Civil War pension files
- Here are two rows





# Lots of Files

- Roughly 2 million Civil War pension files
- Rows upon rows





# Pension Process Overview

## Pension Process – Soldier

- Soldier (veteran) applied based upon what was allowable by law at the time of application
  - Loss of limb / eye / body part
  - Disability due to wounds
  - Disability from disease incurred in service
  - Old age – if he lived long enough



# Pension Process Overview

## Pension Process – Widow

- Widow applied based upon what was allowable by law at the time of application
  - Widow
  - Must prove marriage occurred
  - Not remarried
  - Remarried widow's later husband(s) had to be deceased
  - “Means test” circa 1890s – couldn't own valuable property



# Pension Process Overview

## **Pension Process – Minor Child or Children**

- Allowed a pension if under 16 years of age
  - Application made by guardian
  - Proof of marriage of parents
  - Proof of parentage (“birth record”)
  - Pension ceased upon reaching age 16



# Pension Indexing

## **Pension Process – File Numbering Scheme**

Soldier applied – SO number

Soldier granted pension certificate – SC number

Widow applied – WO number

Widow granted pension certificate – WC number

Minor applied – MO number – typically interfiled with WO files

MC number – typically interfiled with WC pensions

Father's or mother's – typically interfiled with WO / WC pensions

XC pensions – may be at NARA or VA

C pensions – may be at NARA or VA



# Pension Process Overview

## Pension Process – Indexing

- **T288, *General Index to Pension Files, 1861-1934*** (544 rolls); also online at [Ancestry.com](https://www.ancestry.com)
  - By surname, then by first name
- **T289, *Organization Index to Pension Files of Veterans Who Served Between 1861 and 1900*** (765 rolls); also online at [Fold3.com](https://www.fold3.com)
  - By state, type of service (infantry, cavalry, artillery), then by regiment, then by company, then by surname, then by first name



# Pension Indexing

## Pension Process – File Numbering Scheme

### Typical Index Card (T288)

T288, General Index to Pension Files, 1861-1934, Roll 334

NAME OF SOLDIER:					Moore, John N.					(S-M-S)	
NAME OF DEPENDENT:					Widow. Moore, Anna						
SERVICE:					34 Ky. Inf.					}	
DATE OF FILING.		CLASS.		APPLICATION NO.		CERTIFICATE NO.		STATE FROM WHICH FILED.			
1879 Apr 28		Invalid.		282636		207757					
1900 Aug 16		Widow.		947493		1708353		Ind.			
		Minor.									
ATTORNEY:											
REMARKS:											



# Pension Indexing

## Pension Process – File Numbering Scheme

### Typical Index Card (T289)

T289, Organization Index to Pension Files of Veterans Who Served Between 1861 and 1900, Roll 163

NAME OF SOLDIER: <i>Moore John W.</i>				
SERVICE: <i>Late rank, Co. I, 19 Regt Tex Inf</i>				
TERM OF SERVICE: <i>Enlisted, 1 Discharged, 1</i>				
DATE OF FILING.	CLASS.	APPLICATION NO.	LAW.	CERTIFICATE NO.
<i>1879 Apr 28</i>	<i>Invalid,</i>	<i>282636</i>	<i>I</i>	<i>207757</i>
<i>1910 Aug 16</i>	<i>Widow,</i>	<i>947483</i>	<i>I</i>	<i>708353</i>
	<i>Minor,</i>			
ADDITIONAL SERVICES:				
REMARKS:				
<i>R.D. 2103. Died July 25, 1910, at</i>				

# Pension Indexing

## Pension Process – File Numbering Scheme

## Typical Index Card (T289)

T289, Organization Index to Pension Files of Veterans Who Served Between 1861 and 1900. Roll 163

DEAD				
NAME OF SOLDIER:	Hendren, Staring B.			
SERVICE:	Late rank, Mason Co. I., 19 Regt Ky. Inf.			
TERM OF SERVICE:	Enlisted Sep. 15, 1861. Discharged Dec. 22, 1863			
DATE OF FILING.	CLASS.	APPLICATION NO.	LAW.	CERTIFICATE NO.
1881 Mar 1	Invalid,	417521	I	526814
1916 Oct 2	Widow,	1076525	Dep	522183
	Minor,			1
I 4 V R 6				
ADDITIONAL SERVICES:				
REMARKS:	Died Sep 1, 1916, at Rock Island Ill			



# Pension Indexing

## Pension Process – File Numbering Scheme

### Typical Index Card (T289)

T289, Organization Index to Pension Files of Veterans Who Served Between 1861 and 1900, Roll 163

<b>DEAD</b>				
NAME OF SOLDIER: <i>Constant, James R.</i>				
SERVICE: <i>Date rank, Co. I, 19 Regt Vt. Inf</i>				
TERM OF SERVICE: <i>Enlisted, 1 Discharged, 1</i>				
DATE OF FILING:	CLASS.	APPLICATION NO.	LAW.	CERTIFICATE NO.
<i>1879 Sept 30</i>	<i>Invalid,</i>	<i>311774</i>	<i>J.</i>	<i>247140</i>
	<i>Widow,</i>			
	<i>Minor,</i>			
ADDITIONAL SERVICES:				
REMARKS: <i>XC-871599 COMBINED</i>				
<i>P. D. and R. D. Died Sept 21, 1933 at Boston 184</i>				



# Pension Indexing

## Pension Process – File Numbering Scheme

### Typical Index Card (T289)

T289, Organization Index to Pension Files of Veterans Who Served Between 1861 and 1900, Roll 163

NAME OF SOLDIER:					<i>Constant, William H.</i>				
SERVICE:					<i>Late rank, Co. I, 19 Regt N.Y. Inf.</i>				
TERM OF SERVICE:					<i>Enlisted, 1, Discharged, 1</i>				
DATE OF FILING.	CLASS.	APPLICATION NO.		LAW.	CERTIFICATE NO.				
	<i>Invalid,</i>								
	<i>Widow,</i>								
	<i>Minor,</i>								
<i>1864 June 27</i>	<i>Brother</i>	<i>55510</i>			<i>85443</i>				
ADDITIONAL SERVICES:									
REMARKS:									
<i>FD 201 2189. Died</i>					<i>1, at</i>				



# Pension Indexing

## Pension Process – File Numbering Scheme

### Typical Index Card (T289)

T289, Organization Index to Pension Files of Veterans Who Served Between 1861 and 1900, Roll 163

NAME OF SOLDIER: <i>Colvin, Elijah</i>				
SERVICE:	Late rank, <i>Co. I, 19 Reg't Ky. Inf.</i>			
TERM OF SERVICE:	Enlisted <i>Sept. 18, 1861</i> Discharged <i>Jan. 6, 1865</i>			
DATE OF FILING.	CLASS.	APPLICATION NO.	LAW.	CERTIFICATE NO.
<i>1890 July 11</i>	<i>Invalid,</i>	<i>803398</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>613853</i>
<i>1915 Dec 19</i>	<i>Widow,</i>	<i>1133979</i>	<i>Dep.</i>	<i>907871</i>
<i>1907 Apr 7</i>	<i>Minor,</i>	<i>917513</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>707024</i>
ADDITIONAL SERVICES:				
REMARKS: <i>See IO 454347</i> <i>Philip Smith</i> <i>31 Ohio 4th</i>				
<i>R. L. Smith</i> Died <i>Apr 3, 1907</i> , at <i>Parisville, Ohio.</i>				



# Pension Indexing

## Pension Process – File Numbering Scheme

### Typical Index Card (T289)

T289, Organization Index to Pension Files of Veterans Who Served Between 1861 and 1900, Roll 163

NAME OF SOLDIER:					Wilson, Horatio				
SERVICE:					Late rank, Co. No. 19 Regt Ky. Inf.				
TERM OF SERVICE:					Enlisted Feb 1, 1862 Discharged 1				
DATE OF FILING:	CLASS.	APPLICATION NO.			LAW.	CERTIFICATE NO.			
1931 Sept 8	Soldier,	1,701,481-930							
	Widow,								
	Minor,								
ADDITIONAL SERVICES:					7 Ky. Inf.				
REMARKS:					Not identical with Horatio Wilson, S.O. 468724 H.C. 486, 46586, 6, 484, 466707 H.C. 486				
Died					1, at				



# Types of Records in a Pension File

Pension files are stored in large manila envelopes

THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES	
CERT. NO.	708353.
PENSIONER:	Anna
	Widow OF
VETERAN:	John W. Moore.
CAN NO:	56415
	BUNDLE NO: 2



# Types of Records in a Pension File

Pension files used to be stored in “jackets” – all papers “trifolded”

*mc* ✓ 3-732

Cert. No. **708353**  
ACT OF APRIL 19, 1908.

*Anna*  
widow of  
*John W. Moore*

Rank *Private*  
Company *I*  
Regiment *19<sup>th</sup> Ky Vol Inf*

Rate per Month \$ *12.00*  
Commencing *Aug 16, 1910*  
Ending \_\_\_\_\_

**DEAD** *Baldy* Agency.

Issued *Sept 12, 1910*  
Mailed **SEP 13 1910** *19*

**DROPPED**  
MAR 15 1917 FINANCE  
CET  
MAR 17 1917 REIMBURSEMENT.  
*Wm. L. McHenry*  
*Fin*



# Pension Examiners at Work, ca. 1900

Pension files were stored in “jackets” – all papers “trifolded”





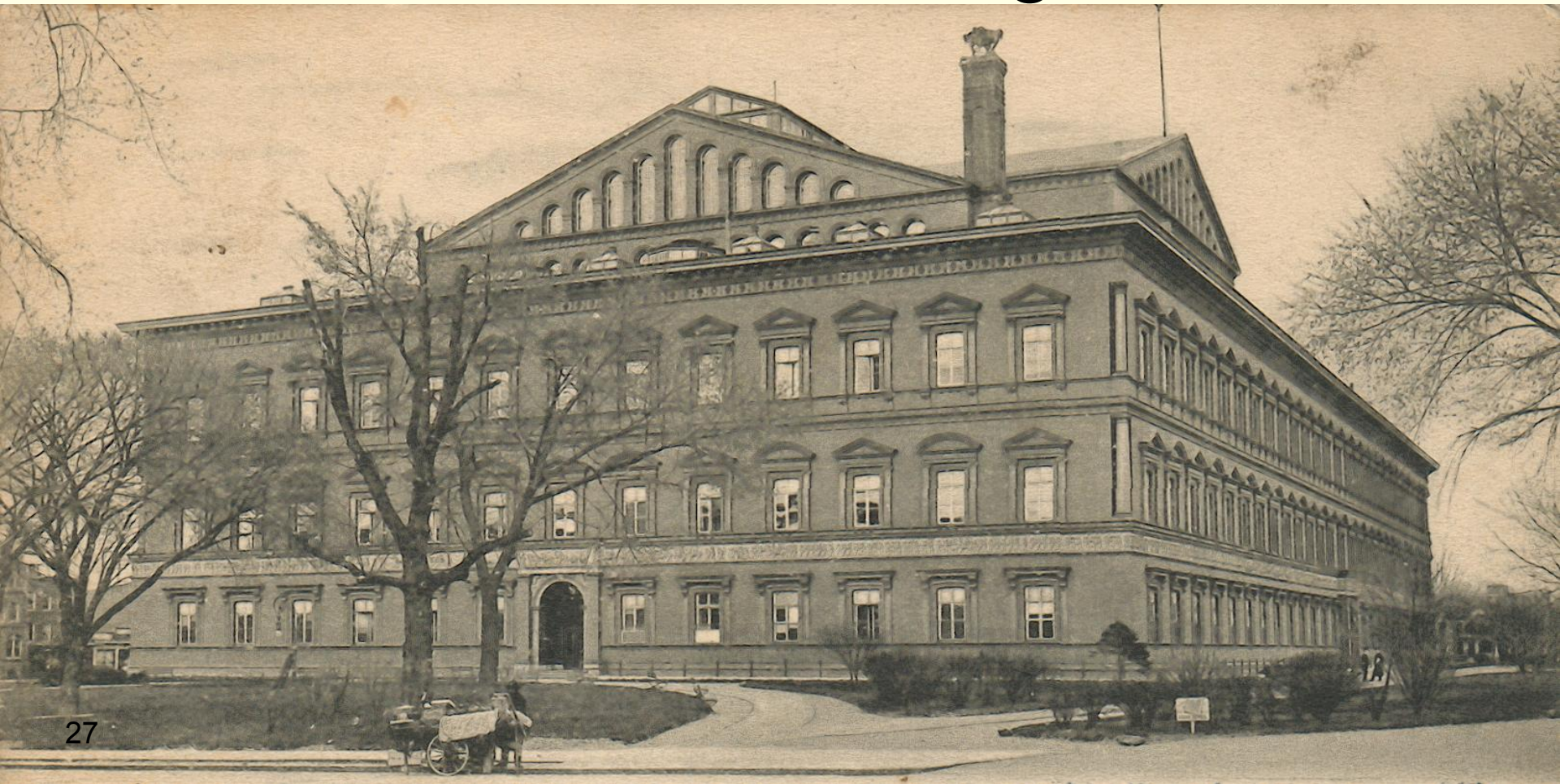
# Pension Examiners at Work, ca. 1900

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# Pension Office Building, opened 1885





# Declaration for Pension

- Original
- 1879

**DECLARATION FOR ORIGINAL INVALID PENSION.**  
To be executed before a Court of Record or some officer thereof having custody of its Seal.

State of Indiana } ss.  
County of Putnam }

On this 31 day of March, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and seventy-nine personally appeared before me, Clark of the Put. Cir. Court, a court of record within and for the county and State aforesaid, John W. Moore, aged 35 years, a resident of the city of Greencastle, county of Putnam State of Indiana, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the identical John W. Moore who was **ENROLLED** on the        day of Nov, 1861, in company I of the 19th regiment of Ky. Vols commanded by Capt. Cummings, and was honorably **DISCHARGED** at Senisville Ky on the        day of Feb, 1865; that his personal description is as follows; Age, 35 years; height, 5 feet 5 inches; complexion, fair; hair, dark; eyes, blue. That while a member of the organization aforesaid, in the service and in the line of his duty at Vicksburg, in the State of Mississippi on or about the 15th day of June, 1863, he was returning from picket duty, early in the morning and while walking down a steep embankment slipped and fell down and thereby ruptured himself so badly that he was unable to rise up and walk and it became necessary to carry him to camp

That he was treated in hospitals as follows: in Camp Hospital at Vicksburg  
(Here state the names or numbers, and the localities of all hospitals in which treated, and the dates of treatment.)  
for some two weeks after the accident

That he has never been employed in the military or naval service otherwise than as stated above  
(Here state what the service was, whether prior or subsequent to that stated above, and the dates at which it began and ended.)

That since leaving the service this applicant has resided in the city of Greencastle in the State of Indiana, and his occupation has been that of a night watchman. That prior to his entry into the service above named he was a man of good, sound, physical health, being when enrolled a farmer. That he is now greatly disabled from obtaining his subsistence by manual labor, by reason of his injuries, above described, received in the service of the United States; and he therefore makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the invalid pension roll of the United States.

He hereby appoints, with full power of substitution and revocation, Jesse W. Neek of Greencastle, State of Indiana his true and lawful attorney to prosecute his claim. That he has never received any applied for a pension. That his **Post Office Address** is, Greencastle, county of Putnam State of Indiana



## Declaration for Pension

- Increase
- May 1887

**Declaration for the Increase of an Invalid Pension.**

State of Indiana, County of Putnam, SS:

ON THIS Second day of May A. D. one thousand eight hundred and eighty seven personally appeared before me, a Clerk of the Court within and for the County and State aforesaid, John W. Moore aged Forty two years, a resident of Greencastle County of Putnam State of Indiana, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is a pensioner of the United States, enrolled at the Indianapolis Pension Agency at the rate of Eight dollars per month, Certificate No. 207754; by reason of disability from Rupture (Here name the disability for which pension was granted.)

incurred in the Military service of the United States, while serving as a Private in Company I 79 Kentucky Infantry Volunteers (Here state rank, company, and regiment, if in the army; vessel if in the Navy.)

That he believes himself to be entitled to an increase of pension on account of increased disability Since pension was granted. The pain and soreness in the (Here state reasons for applying for increase. If on account of increase in the disability for which already pensioned, that should be described. If hernia has continually increased, and is constant the on account of disability for which not pensioned, the location of the wound or injury, the name of the disease, and the time, place and circumstances of its origin, and the names of hospitals, where treated in the service, should be fully stated. The dates of treatment should be given as nearly as possible.) pain and soreness extends around walls of abdomen to back; and have continual pain and soreness in back Back is so weak that cannot carry any weight whatever, or even lift it. He believes the disability is greater than that produced from simple hernia and asks that a pension be granted equivalent to the increased disability and he asks that an examination be granted him by the Examining board at either Indianapolis or Terre Haute, preferably the former, as he believes the board of examiners at Greencastle had have personal enmity and prejudice against him.

that he hereby accedes with full power of substitution and revocation.



## Declaration for Pension

- Increase
- Oct. 1887

DECLARATION FOR THE INCREASE OF AN INVALID PENSION.

State of Indiana, County of Putnam ss.

ON THIS 21 day of Oct, A. D., one thousand eight hundred and eighty Seven

personally appeared before me, the undersigned, duly authorized to administer oaths within and for the County and State aforesaid John W. Moore  
Claimant's Name,

aged 43 years, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is a pensioner of the United States, duly enrolled at the rate of Eight dollars per month, under Pension Certificate No. 207,757

by reason of disability resulting from Right Inguinal Hernia  
Here state the disability for which you are pensioned exactly as mentioned in your Pension Certificate.

incur in the service of the United States, while serving as a Private in Company E of the 19<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Kentucky Infantry Volunteers.

That he believes himself entitled to an increase of pension for the following reasons:  
The soreness and pain has increased so much since his pension was allowed for Rupture as to completely disable him and as proof of that fact he offers the affidavits of Dr E. B. Evans and H. V. De pare local Surgeons of good repute who are and have been well acquainted with  
If you claim additional pension for a disability not mentioned in your Pension Certificate, here describe it fully and state when, where and under what circumstances the same originated.  
claimant during the time of his disability. And he asks that an examination be granted him by the Board of Examining Surgeons either at Danville or Indianapolis Ind. and that the accompanying affidavits be forwarded to the Board selected.

That he hereby appoints, with full power of substitution and revocation, James F. Pitt  
James F. Pitt GREENCASTLE, INDIANA, his true and lawful attorney, to prosecute his claim.

His Post Office address is Greencastle, County of Putnam  
 State of Indiana  
Scander L. Lewis  
Daniel S. Hurst  
Two persons who can write sign here.

John W. Moore  
Signature of Claimant.



## Declaration for Pension

- For restoration
- 1889

Declaration for Restoration to the Rolls.

State of Indiana }  
County of Putnam } ss.

On this 25<sup>th</sup> day of February 1889, personally appeared before me, Clerk of the Circuit Court, within and for the County and state aforesaid, John W. Moor, aged 44 years a resident of Greencastle, in the State of Indiana, who being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the identical John W. Moor, to whom was granted Pension Certificate No 207,757, payable at Indianapolis, dated the 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, in the year 1884; that said Pension ceased on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of January 1889, by reason of "Alleged cessation of disability, from Right Inguinal Hernia", and he makes this declaration, in order to secure restoration to the Pension Rolls, for the reason that said Right Inguinal Hernia still exists.

And he hereby appoints James S. Lee of Greencastle, Indiana, his true and lawful attorney, to present, and prosecute this claim, granting unto him full power of substitution and revocation, hereby countermanding all former authority that may have been given, for the above specified purpose. That his Post Office Address, is Greencastle, County of Putnam, State of Indiana.

John W. Moor

Also personally appeared Samuel C. Anderson and Jesse Anderson residents of Greencastle, Indiana persons, whom I certify to be respectable, and entitled to credit, and who being duly sworn, by me, say that they were present and saw the Claimant, John W. Moor, above named, sign his name to the foregoing Declaration, And they further swear, that



## Declaration for Pension

- Increase
- 1906

Greencastle Indiana July 26 1906.

I John W. Moore late a Private in Co I 19th Kentucky Vol. Inf. and now on the Pension Roll under Certificate No. 207757 at the rate of twelve dollars per mo. under the Act of June 27 1890 hereby make application for an increase of my said pension as follows: I was pensioned under the old law on account of hernia and rheumatism incurred in the service and line of duty; I am still suffering from said injury and disease and am completely disabled thereby and unable on that account to perform any manual labor at all. Without prejudice to the rights I now enjoy under the Act of June 27 1890 I maintain that I am disabled beyond the twelve dollar limit on account of the particular disabilities which I incurred in the service and for which I was pensioned under the old law. I therefore ask that an examination be made to determine if the allegations I have made are not correct and true.

My residence and address is Greencastle Putnam County Indiana.

State Of Indiana  
Putnam County

John W. Moore

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 27th day of July 1906.

Thos W. Weir  
Notary Public

My commission expires: March 19 1910.

Validity accepted  
S. A. Cuddy,  
Chief, Law Division,  
per L. L. 7-31-06

PENSION  
JUL 30  
1906  
OFFICE.



# Declaration for Pension

- Read them all
- Long list of places this man lived and when

ACT OF MAY 11, 1912. 3-014.

**DECLARATION FOR PENSION.**

THE PENSION CERTIFICATE SHOULD NOT BE FORWARDED WITH THE APPLICATION.

State of California, County of San Francisco, ss:

On this 30 day of June, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and Twelve, personally appeared before me, a Notary Public within and for the county and State aforesaid, Edward M. Seaman who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is 63 years of age, and a resident of Berkeley, county of Alameda, State of California; and that he is the identical person who was ENROLLED at Flint on the 26th day of August, 18 64 as a Private, in Company "A" 3rd Michigan Cavalry, Army of the Cumberland (Here state rank, and company and regiment in the Army, or vessels if in the Navy.) in the service of the United States, in the Civil War (State name of war, Civil or Mexican.) war, and was HONORABLY DISCHARGED at Jefferson Barracks, Mo. on the 16th day of October, 18 65. That he also served (none) (Here give a complete statement of all other services, if any.)

That he was not employed in the military or naval service of the United States otherwise than as stated above. That his personal description at enlistment was as follows: Height, 5 feet 6 1/2 inches; complexion, light; color of eyes, Blue; color of hair, Brown; that his occupation was farm laborer; that he was born October 17, 18 48, at Milford, Oakland County, Michigan.

That his several places of residence since leaving the service have been as follows: Hartland, Mich. 1865 to 68 Milford, Mich. 1868 to 1875 San Francisco, Cal. Mar. 1875 to Jan. 1887 Los Angeles Cal. Jan. 1887 to Aug. 1890 San Francisco, 1890 to 1900 Berkeley, Cal. 1900 to present time (State date of each change, as nearly as possible.)

That he is a single man, unmarried, No. 76747. That he has applied for pension under original as to execution

That he is a U. S. A. for the purpose of being placed on the pension roll of the United States under the provisions of the act of May 11, 1912. He served in the military service of the United States. That his post office address is 1223 Henry St. Berkeley, 1923 County of Alameda State of California.

Attest: (1) Edmund M. Seaman (Chairman's signature in full.)  
(2) F. B. Hickey

SUBSCRIBED and sworn to before me this 30 day of June, A. D. 1912 and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration were fully made known and explained to the applicant before swearing, including the words do manual labor by reason of rheumatism and neuritis during the Civil War and he was wounded in the leg

[L. S.]

NOTARY PUBLIC  
San Francisco, State of California  
608 MARKET ST.



## Affidavit from Comrade

- What he remembers about the soldier becoming injured
- Frank Gillis (page 1)

Kentucky }  
 State of ~~Indiana~~ } S.S.  
 Anderson County }  
 Personally appeared  
 Frank Gillis who being duly sworn says  
 his P.O. address is Car. Anderson Co. Ky.  
 and that he was well and intimately acquainted  
 with John W. Moore late of Co. I 19th  
 Ky. Vols during the war. I was also a mem=  
 ber of the same Company and Regt. At Vicks=  
 burg Miss in June 1863 said Moore had  
 been on picket and while returning fell  
 down at steep place and ruptured himself.  
 He was in such misery and suffering that  
 J. L. Sanders and several other comrades  
 and myself hurried to him. We carried  
 him to his tent and did the best we  
 could to stop the pain. Sanders tried to  
 force his bowels back into place but could  
 not do much good in that direction. The  
 Surgeon of the Regt Dr Sadler soon  
 came and took him off our hands. Moore  
 was never able for severe duty after this. He  
 was generally at work about hospitals, and  
 was a sort of assistant of Dr Sadler up  
 to the time of his death. He complained  
 of the rupture up to the time of his dis=  
 charge. I state what I have above  
 from actual observation, from what  
 I saw and have remembered. I can



## Affidavit from Comrade

- What he remembers about the soldier becoming injured
- Frank Gillis (page 2)

also state that I saw the rupture of  
said Moon and I have no interest in  
his claim for pension.

~~Frank Gillis~~ Frank Gillis signed here.

Sworn to and subscribed this 16<sup>th</sup> day  
of April 1881 and I have no interest  
in any claim of John W. Moon for  
pension. A. J. Sieng Pac

State of Kentucky Anderson } S.S.  
I hereby state that A. J. Sieng Pac before whom  
the foregoing was executed was at the time of signing  
the same a Justice of the Peace in said County  
and, authorized and his signature above is  
genuine. Witness my hand and official seal  
this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June 1881.

D. M. Robinson Atty Gen

Anderson County

Filed by  
John W. Moon  
Chauncey  
Dix

282636  
John W. Moon  
Co. 1. 19th Ky. Vols

JUL 1881



## Affidavit from Physician(s)

- Dr. Evans
- Doctor's stationery is unusual
- History of treatment (may not be detailed)
- History of complaints

E. B. EVANS, M. D. H. V. DE VORE, M. D.

Office of  
 Evans & De Vore,  
 Rooms 1, 2 and 3, Central Bank Building,  
 Greencastle, Ind., Oct 21<sup>st</sup> 1887

This is to certify that I have known John W. Moore, Co I 19 Kentucky Hol-Infantry for the past ten years. Several years of this time he has been partially disabled from manual labor. For the past three years he has been totally disabled on account of a rupture he received while in U. S. service at Vicksburg Miss.

E. B. Evans M. D.  
 Greencastle Ind.

Subscribed & sworn to before me this 21<sup>st</sup> day of Oct 1887  
 John W. Moore  
 Cox



## Affidavit from Physician(s)

- Dr. Evans
- History of treatment (may not be detailed)
- History of complaints

**Physician's Affidavit.**

TAKE NOTICE.—The affidavit should, if possible, be in the handwriting of the affiant. All the facts in possession of affiant as to the origin and continuance of the disability should be fully set forth, and the dates of treatment should be specifically given. If the affidavit is prepared from memoranda in possession of the physician, that fact should be stated.

State of Indiana, County of Putnam, ss:

I, Dr. J. H. Evans, in the pension claim No. 207,757, late of Restoration to Pension, Col. J. H. Evans, late of 19th Kentucky Cavalry, (Company and Regiment of service, if in the army; or vessel and rank, if in the navy.)

Personally came before me, a Justice of the Peace, in and for the aforesaid County and State, Esra B. Evans, a citizen of Greencastle, Indiana, whose Post Office address is Greencastle, Indiana, well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declare in relation to the aforesaid case as follows:

That he is a practicing Physician, and that he has been acquainted with said soldier for about 20 years, and that on the 15th day of Feb. 1889 he made a physical examination of said Soldier and found the right inguinal Canal so open that the index finger could easily be pushed up in the abdominal cavity, that by the least effort at lifting or straining a portion of the intestines would be forced through the canal. That said Soldier was then & had been wearing a suitable truss to retain said hernia, and with more than likely have to continue to wear a suitable truss through out the remainder of his life. That said Soldier also complains of pain & soreness in his back about his lumbar region. All of which disability he claims was caused while in active service during the late war.



## Affidavit from Physician(s)

- Dr. Evans (side 2)
- History of treatment (may not be detailed)
- History of complaints

He farther declares that he has been a practitioner of medicine for 17 1/2 years, and that he has no interest either direct or indirect in the prosecution of this claim.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 21<sup>st</sup> day of February A. D. 1889,  
 and I hereby certify that the affiant is a practicing physician, in good professional standing; that the contents of the above declaration, &c., were fully made known to him before swearing, including the words....., added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

[L. S.] *John W. Lee*  
 (Official Signature.)  
 (Official Character.)  
 I, John W. Lee, Clerk of the County Court in and for aforesaid County and State, do certify that..... Esq., who has signed his name to the foregoing declaration and affidavit was at the time of so doing..... in and for said County and State, duly commissioned and sworn; that all his official acts are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature thereunto is genuine.

Witness my hand and seal of office, this..... day of....., 188..

[L. S.] Clerk of the.....

**MEDICAL EVIDENCE**  
 AFFIDAVIT OF  
*Dr. R. Evans, M.D.*  
 Greenback, Indiana.  
 CLAIM OF  
*John W. Moore, Post.*  
 Co. 19th Reg. Ind.  
 Certificate 217759  
 For Reuben H. Greenback, M.D.  
 MAR 30 1889  
 OFFICE  
 FILED BY —  
 JAMES F. FEE,  
 PENSION AND CLAIM AGENT,  
 GREENCASTLE, INDIANA.



## Affidavit from Physician(s)

- Dr. Bruce, 1907
- History of treatment (may not be detailed)
- History of complaints

**Physician's Affidavit.**

STATE OF Indiana COUNTY OF Putnam SS:  
 In claim No. 277 of W. Moore of Co. 1  
 of the 19 Regt. of Ind. Inf. Vols., Personally appeared before the undersigned duly  
 authorized to administer oaths within and for said County, Dr. G. W. Bruce  
 aged 60 years, whose P. O. is Greencastle County of Putnam  
 State of Indiana, who being duly sworn, states in relation to said claim as follows to-wit:

I have this day examined G. W. Moore and find  
he has cataract of Right Eye with barely perception of  
light internally. Vision left eye 20 ft. with lens 200 ft. 20  
Nothing impedes more. Eyes both protruding full. Left eye  
will evidently soon become cataractous also.  
Has tenderness and soreness of left shoulder and right  
ankle, which are both swollen. Has also patent  
inguinal Canal on Right side. Hernia not down but a  
little exertion of lifting brings it down. Has had  
to use crutches to walk several times, now uses  
a cane. His disability in my opinion is  
almost complete, as he cannot use his arm  
to work and cannot lift, and cannot be on  
his feet all day. About 3 and a half years ago  
he fell and broke his left ankle joint, which  
is now very painful and continually swollen, so  
that he has to wear a rubber stocking continually  
in order to be able to walk.

And affiant further states that he has no interest in this claim.

George W. Bruce M.D.  
 Affiant's Signature

Sworn to and subscribed before me on the 5 day of February 1907, and I hereby  
 certify that the contents of this affidavit were fully made known before signing to the affiant  
 who is credible, and I have no interest in this claim or its prosecution.

James L. Hamilton  
 Clerk of Putnam Circuit Court.  
 Official Signature.

L. S.

RECEIVED  
 MAR 5 1907  
 CLERK'S OFFICE



## Affidavit from Physician(s)

- Dr. Hanna
- History of treatment (may not be detailed)
- History of complaints

To whom it may concern

This is to certify that I have this day carefully examined John W. Moore. Late private Co. D. 19th Ky Vols.

His condition is as follows: In small of back, back bone is prominent. On both sides of back bone over junction of ilia with sacrum and for two in above soft parts are much shrunken for a space four in long and three in wide - on each side. He measures around hips 34 in - both sides are the same size. Nates are small and soft.

Right leg measures close to body 17 in. Left 18 1/2 in - Right leg midway to knee measure around 15 1/2 in - Left 17 1/2 in - Right knee measures around 13 1/2 in - Left 13 1/2 in.

His heart is irritable.

He says, he has tenderness and pain and soreness in shrunken spots, can not bend, stoop, or arise when sitting without pain. Any effort to move causes pain. Suffers some when still but not so badly as when he moves. Can not lift to carry a bucket of coal or water is as much as he can do at any time of late.

I certify I have been in the practice of medicine last nineteen years - that the foregoing was written by me in witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal. This fifth day of June A.D. 1888.

I have no interest in this case. Sd. Dr. Hanna, M.D.

State of Indiana Pulnam County SS,  
Sworn and subscribed to before me as written by the witness and I certify



## Affidavit on disability

- Family member
- Brother-in-law, B. F. Duncan

State of Indiana } ss,  
 County of Putnam. }  
 In the matter of Inheritance of Pension of John W.  
 Moore, Claim # 207,757.  
 Personally came before me, a Clerk of Circuit Court  
 in and for aforesaid County, and State,  
 B. F. Duncan aged 42 yrs, a citizen of  
 South Bend, Indiana, well known to me, to be  
 reputable and entitled to credit, being duly sworn  
 declares as follows:  
 I have known John W. Moore for twelve  
 years and he has been a great sufferer  
 with rupture and I know he is not  
 able to perform manual labor  
 I am a Brother-in-law of his but have  
 no interest in this claim  
 B. F. Duncan  
 Subscribed and sworn  
 to before me this 5th  
 day of March 1888  
 John W. Lee  
 Clerk



## Affidavit on disability

– Employer

State of Indiana }  
County of Putnam } ss.

In the matter of Incom of Pension of John W Moore,  
Claim # 707,757.

Personally came before me Allert H St. Ct. in and for  
said County and state,.

aged years, a citizen of Greencastle  
Indiana, well known to me to be reputable and  
entitled to credit, being duly sworn, declares  
as follows:

I have known John W Moore  
for eight years. He has been  
in my employe for several years  
during that time but he has  
not been able to do a mans  
work during that time and  
is not now able to do much  
labor

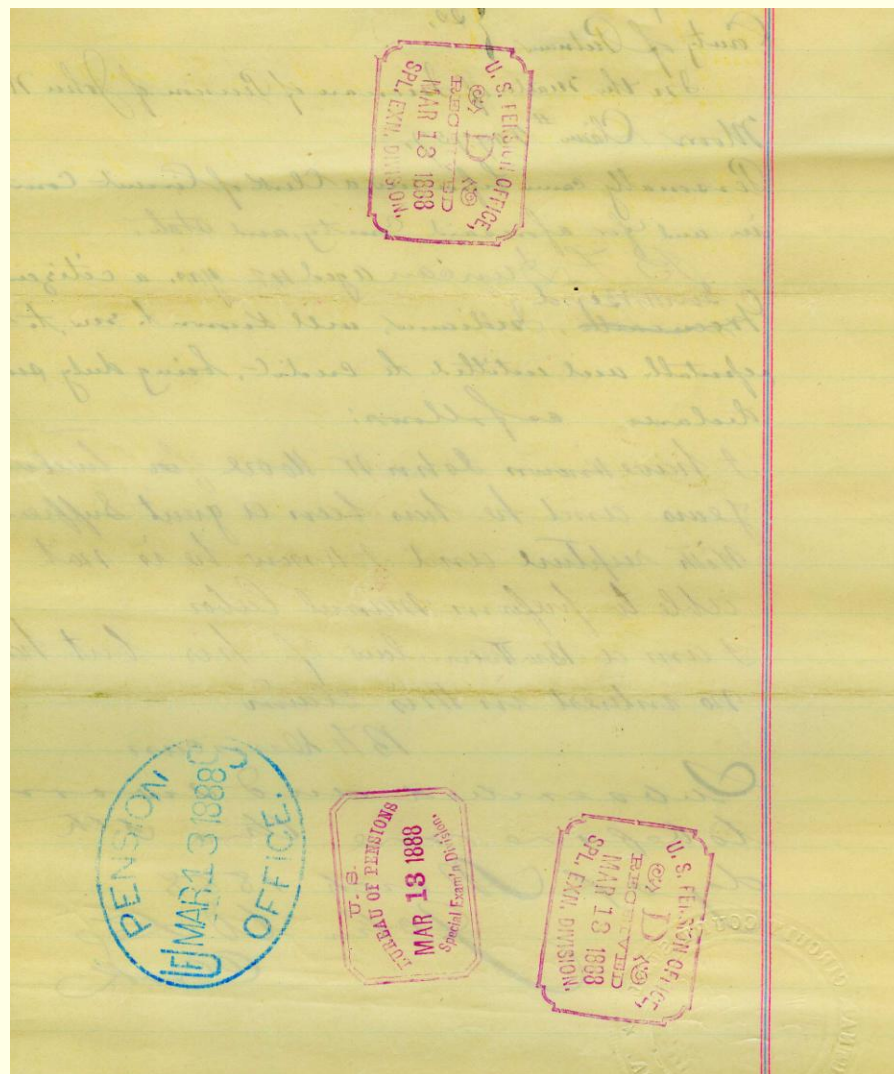
Wm H Bayne

Subscribed & sworn to before me  
this 5 day of March 1888  
John W Lee



## Affidavit on disability

- Reverse side: file stamps showing receipt or action by Pension Office





## Affidavit from Co-worker (1888)

- What he knows about soldier being disabled
- Levi Spivey works with him in Sheriff's office

State of Indiana }  
County of Putnam }

In the matter of Increase of Pension of  
John W. Moore, Claim # 207,757.

Personally came before me, a Clerk of Circuit Court  
in and for said County and State.

Levi Spivey aged 35 yrs, a citizen of Green-  
Cath. Indiana, well known to me, to be reputable,  
and entitled to credit, being duly sworn declares  
as follows:

That I have known John W. Moore for  
more than three years past and having  
worked in Sheriff's Office with him  
during that time and know him to be badly  
afflicted with a severe case of Rupture  
and thereby rendered totally unfit to  
perform manual labor, also that he  
is honorable and deserving

Levi Spivey, Deft Sheriff  
Putnam Co, Ind.

Subscribed and sworn to before  
me this 5<sup>th</sup> day of May 1888

John W. Lee  
Clerk



## Affidavit from

### Friend or Neighbor

- What he knows about the veteran being disabled
- James McD. Hays

State of Indiana }  
 County of Putnam } ss.  
 In the matter of Injunction of Pension of John W. Moore.  
 Claim 207,757  
 Personally came before me, a clerk of Circuit Court,  
 in and for said county and state, James McD.  
 Hays aged 48 years, well known to  
 me, to be reputable, and entitled to credit, being  
 duly sworn, declares as follows:  
 That I have known John W. Moore  
 for ten years or more, and that he  
 has been an invalid since I have  
 known him. I do not consider  
 him able to do manual labor.  
 James McD. Hays  
 Subscribed and sworn to before  
 me this 5 day of March 1888  
 John W. Lee  
 Clerk



## Affidavit from Friend or Neighbor (1888)

- What he remembers about the soldier becoming injured
- William Jones

State of Indiana } ss.  
 County of Putnam }  
 In the matter of Inheritance of Pension, of John W. Moore,  
 Claim # 707,707.  
 Personally came before me, a clerk of Circuit Court, in  
 and for said County and state,  
 Wm. H. Jones aged 37 years, well known to  
 me to be reputable, and entitled to credit, being  
 duly sworn, declares as follows:  
 I have known John W. Moore, for ten  
 or twelve years, have met him  
 frequently during that time,  
 Have often heard him complain  
 of rupture, that it gave him  
 much trouble and pain, also  
 that it rendered him unable to  
 do hard work, Having never  
 seen the rupture, ~~nor~~ have I ever  
 worked with him, <sup>consequently</sup> I do not  
 competent to judge of the  
 degree of his disability.  
 William H. Jones  
 Subscribed & sworn to before  
 me this 5<sup>th</sup> day of March 1888  
 John W. Lee  
 -clerk



## Letter from Postmaster

- Trusted Federal employee (handled money)
- Opinion on reputation, character, truthfulness
- Opinion on the validity of a claim

Office of **Z. E. Chambers,**  
 \*DEALER IN\*  
 \*\*GENERAL MERCHANDISE\*\*  
 Hartland, Mich. Mar 20 1882

W. W. Dudley  
 Counselor of Appeals  
 Washington  
 D.C.

Sir In reply to yours of Mar 13/82 the inclosed Letter of inquiry. I would say that in my opinion and in the opinion of a few of the most Responsible & Respectable Citizens. (to whom I have shown the said letter) is that Mrs. Sullivan Whalen was in no way dependant on her son William A. Whalen for her support but of the two, if either was dependant on the other, it was Vice Versa, to the claim set forth as indicated by your letter. as I am a friend and on friendly terms with the said Whalen family I would request you to keep this letter strictly Confidential. but the above is the facts as they existed to the best of my knowledge & belief.

Very Respectfully Yours  
 Z. E. Chambers  
 P.M.



## Pension Office “How To” Instructions

- Occasionally
- Insight into how things were supposed to be done

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

WASHINGTON, D. C., *June 19, 1893.*

Order No. 229.

In the preparation of testimony in support of claims in pension cases all statements affecting the particular case and not merely formal, must be written, or prepared to be type-written, in the presence of the witness, and from his oral declarations then made to the person who then reduces the testimony to writing, or then prepares the same to be type-written. And such testimony must embody a statement by the witness that such testimony was all written, or prepared for type-writing (as the case may be), in his presence, and only from his oral statements then made; stating also the time, place, and person, when, where, and to whom he made such oral statements, and that in making the same he did not use, and was not aided or prompted by any written or printed statement or recital, prepared or dictated by any other person; and not attached as an exhibit to his testimony.

Any needless delay in the preparation of such testimony after such oral statement by the witness, or in forwarding the same to this Bureau, and any material alteration or erasure will be cause for rejecting such testimony.

*Wm Lockman*

*Commissioner.*

Approved:

HOKE SMITH,  
*Secretary.*

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## War Record Request

<p>MILITARY SECRETARY'S OFFICE AUG 21 1906 2553606 WAR DEPARTMENT</p>	<p>3-050.</p> <p>SO. DIV. AUG 22 1906 RECEIVED.</p> <p>Div. <i>m&amp;R</i> Ex'r.</p> <p>Department of the Interior, BUREAU OF PENSIONS, Washington, D. C. <i>Aug 18, 1906</i></p> <p><i>Respectfully returned to the Military Secretary, War Department requesting soldier's full military and medical history with personal description. no other report on file.</i></p> <p><i>Inv. of. 207, 757, John W. Moore, I, 19 Ky. Inf.</i></p> <p><i>J. Warner</i> Commissioner.</p>	<p>WAR DEPARTMENT, THE MILITARY SECRETARY'S OFFICE, WASHINGTON. <i>AUG 21 1906</i></p> <p><i>Respectfully returned to the</i> Commissioner of Pensions, <i>with the information that in the case of</i> <i>John W. Moore</i> <i>Co. I, 19 Ky. Inf. the</i> <i>misc records furnish</i> <i>nothing additional to</i> <i>that shown in former</i> <i>statements except age</i> <i>at enr. 21 years.</i> <i>height, 5 feet 4 1/2 inches.</i> <i>fair complexion, blue</i> <i>eyes, light hair, born in</i> <i>Calay Co, Mo, a farmer.</i></p>	<p>The medical NO. 2</p> <p>21</p> <p>7</p> <p>(M. S. O. 75)</p>
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## War Record Request (same one – next panel)

**WAR DEPARTMENT,**  
**THE MILITARY SECRETARY'S OFFICE,**  
 WASHINGTON. **AUG 21 1906**

Respectfully returned to the  
**Commissioner of Pensions,**  
 with the information that in the case of

*John W. Moore,*  
*Co. I, 19 Ky. Inf. the*  
*rec. records furnish*  
*nothing additional to*  
*that shown in former*  
*statements except age*  
*at enr. 21 years,*  
*height, 5 feet 4 1/2 inches,*  
*fair complexion, blue*  
*eyes, light hair, born in*  
*Calay Co., Mo., a farmer.*

The medical records show him treated as follows:

~~NO MEDICAL RECORD FOUND~~



*F. C. Ainsworth*

The Military Secretary.

(M. S. O. 75)

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## War Record Request

- Legal sized

U. S. Government,  
 ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,  
 Washington, D. C., June 7th, 1880

Sir:  
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt from your Office of application for Pension No. 25,263, and to return it herewith, with such information as is furnished by the files of this Office.

It appears from the Rolls on file in this Office that  
 John W. Moore was enrolled on the 12th day of Nov., 1861, at Camp Hannock, in Co. "J" 19th Regiment of Ky. Inf. Volunteers, to serve 3 years or during the war, and mustered into service as a private on the 12th day of Jan., 1862, at Camp Hannock Ky. in Co. "J", 19th Regiment of Ky. Inf. Volunteers, to serve 3 years, or during the war. On the Muster Roll of Co. "J" of that Regiment, for the months of Jan. 1862 to Feb. 28, 1862, he is reported present for duty. On roll from Feb. 26, 1862 to Oct. 31, 63 present for duty. On roll for Nov. Dec. 63, Absent, with remark, "Hospital nurse since Aug. 24, 1863, left at Branchburg with medical stores Dec. 13, 63. On roll for Jan. & Feb. 64 present for duty. Joined from dated service Jan. 16, 1864. On roll from Feb. 29, 64 to Aug. 31, 64 present for duty, with remark, nurse in hosp't since Aug. 24, 63. On roll for Sep. & Oct. 64, present for duty. On roll for Nov. & Dec. 64, present for duty. On daily duty as nurse in Reg't Hosp't. since Aug. 4, 64.

Co. Muster Book Roll dated Jan. 16, 1864 reports him, but unfortunately mutilated with the Co. Regiment Books are not on file. Co. Morning Reports, prior to Jan. 64, not on file. Records on file furnish no evidence of "Rupture" June 16, 64 as claimed. I am, sir, very respectfully,



## War Record Request

Full sheet of paper

207757

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War Department,  
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,  
Washington, Nov 20, 1885.

Respectfully returned to the Commissioner of Pensions.  
John W. Moore, a Private of Company I,  
19<sup>th</sup> Regiment Kentucky Volunteers, was enrolled on the  
day of \_\_\_\_\_, 186\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_,  
and is reported:

Company Return for August  
1864, shows him, Present in Regimental  
Hospital since August 24, 1864.  
The records of this office furnish no  
evidence of alleged disabilities.  
His name does not appear on Regtl.  
Hospital Register which commences Dec,  
2, 1862, & terminates March 5, 1863, nor on Regtl.  
Prescription Book which commences Feb,  
1864, & terminates Decr, 1864. Other Medical  
Records furnish no information.

C. D. Ricker  
Assistant Adjutant General.  
2<sup>d</sup> Lt. 2<sup>d</sup> 6239  
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## War Record Request

Normal size paper

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Div.  
*1st*  
**Department of the Interior,**  
No. *207457*  
*John W. Moore*  
*Co. D. 19 Reg't Ky Vols*  
PENSION OFFICE,  
*June 27*, 1885.

SIR:

I have the honor to request that you will furnish from the records of the War Department a full report as to the service, disability, and hospital treatment of *John W. Moore*, who, it is claimed, enlisted *Nov 22*, 1861, and served as *Private* in Co. *D*, *19 Reg't Ky Vols*; also in Co. \_\_\_\_\_,

and was discharged at *August 26*, 1863.

While serving in Co. *D*, *19 Reg't Ky Vols*, he was disabled by *Rupture of right side and bones and Burns on feet* also \_\_\_\_\_

and was treated in hospitals of which the names, location, and dates of treatment are as follows: *Regimental Hospital at Vicksburg Miss in June 1863 and Post Hospital at Brashear City La. in Aug/63.*

Very respectfully,  
*W. E. McLean*  
Acting Commissioner.

The Adjutant General, U. S. Army.

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## War Record Request

- Surgeon General's Office
- Treatment record?
- Hospital record?

WAR DEPARTMENT,  
**SURGEON GENERAL'S OFFICE,**  
 RECORD AND PENSION DIVISION.  
 Washington, D. C., *Nov. 18.*, 188*5*.

To the Adjutant General, U. S. Army.

Sir: I have the honor to return herewith the papers received from your office in pension claim No. *204757*, with the information that the name of the soldier in question does not appear on the following named records on file in this Office:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

The following named records are not on file in this Office:

*Vicksburg Miss. prior to July 5. 1863.*

*Brashear City La. between June 9. 1863 and Jan. 24. 1864.*

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Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

By order of the Surgeon General:

No. *371761*

*B. F. Pope*  
 Assistant Surgeon, U. S. Army.  
 (172)

per *LLB*

*AA*



## War Record of Comrade

Was he there when  
soldier was injured?

**War Department,**  
**ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,**  
282.636, Washington, March 14, 1882.

Respectfully returned to the Commissioner of Pensions.  
Samuel L. Sanders, Pvt. Company I, 19<sup>th</sup> Regiment  
Ky. Inf. Volunteers, was enrolled on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of  
Francis Gillis, Pvt. 186, at in said Co. & Regt., and  
N.P. Are reported on muster roll to June 30, 1881 present  
N.P. The records of this office furnish no  
additional information regarding presence or  
absence at the time indicated.

J. M. Smith  
Assistant Adjutant General.  
(2)  
+ M. C. M. C.



## War Record of Comrade

- Reverse side (part)
- “Endorsement” or “Jacket” side
- Most pre-printed documents meant to be tri-folded

*C.W.K.* (3-061.) *89*  
*So* Division.

Department of the Interior,  
PENSION OFFICE,  
*Feb. 25*, 1882.

Respectfully requested of the ADJUTANT  
GENERAL U. S. A. a report from the records of his  
Office as to the presence or absence, on or about  
*June 15*, 1863,  
of *Saul L. Sanders* Private  
*Frank Gillis* "  
*Co. I 19 Ky. Vols*

and the station, at that date, of the...

Claim No. *252686*  
*John W. Moore* *2 19 Ky Vols.*

*Wm. F. Dudley.*  
Commissioner.  
*S.*

*PENSION OFFICE MAR 16 1882*



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- “Fishy” claim?
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## Special Examiner's Report

- “Fishy” claim?
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## Special Examiner's Report

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## Special Examiner's Report

- Report summarizes why investigation was assigned
- Who testified
- Recommended course of action (grant, deny, get more testimony)

North Loup, Valley Co. Neb.  
Nov 5, 1886

Hon Commissioner of Pensions,  
Washington, D.C.

Sir,

I have the honor to return herewith all the papers in the pension claim certificate No 207,757 of John W. Moore, of Green Castle, Putnam Co. Neb. who served as a private in Co. I, 19th Reg. Ky Vols. who is now receiving a pension for Scurvia at the rate of \$8 per month, payable at Indianapolis, Ind. but seeks an increase on account of disability from corns and bunions, alleged to have been incurred in the service and line of duty near Vicksburg, Miss about July, 1863. The claim was submitted for special examination to determine whether the alleged corns and bunions were due to claimants military service, and was referred to me to secure the testimony of Geo. W. Razan, of North Loup, Valley Co. Neb. upon the point of submission. This I have done and the desired testimony will be found a part of this report. Affiant is a Vol man and his testimony can be relied

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on as true in every particular,  
Lclairmont was not present during  
the taking of this testimony, he having  
waived all right of notice.

In view of the evidence taken in this  
case, and the further fact that Clairmont  
never thought of his feet at the time  
he applied for a pension for hernia  
I do not think there is any merit  
in the claim, but think it should be  
rejected for increase without any further  
expense to the Government

Very respectfully

H. J. Brown

Special Examiner



## Special Examiner's Report

- Testimony taken under oath
- Often several pages of answers to questions
- Testimony read back to the deponent

DEPOSITION *A*

Case of *John W. Moore* Cf. No. *207757*

On this *4th* day of *August*, 1886, at *Greencastle*, County of *Putnam*, State of *Indiana*, before me, *Geo M. McCoy*, a Special Examiner of the Pension Office, personally appeared *John W. Moore*, Pensioner & claimant, who, being by me first duly sworn to answer truly all interrogatories propounded to him during this Special Examination of aforesaid pension claim, deposes and says: *his name is John W. Moore, Age 42 years on the 29th of this month, occupation <sup>acting</sup> Deputy Sheriff of Putnam Co. Ind. since Nov. 1885. Post Office address Greencastle, Putnam Co. Ind. He is a pensioner under Cf. No 207757 for hernia, and claims an increase of pension on account of corns and bunions of both feet, contracted in the service and in line of duty. He was a private of Co. I, 19th Ky. Vol. from Nov. 1861 to Feb. 1865. At the time I enlisted in said Co. I lived at Rough and Ready P. O. Now Allen, Anderson Co. Ky and had been there for one year prior to that date. I was living with my sister Susan Annason wife of John Annason now dead. From the date of my discharge from the service in Feb. 1865 until the fall of 1876 I lived continuously in Louisville, Ky. From the fall of 1876 I have lived in this place. I never was in the military service other than as above mentioned. At the date of my enlistment in 1861 I was sound in every way and had nothing whatever the matter with my feet. I had no sign of corns or bunions when I entered the service. The Corns made their appearance first, two coming on the toe of each foot and the first time my feet got sore from them and the first time I noticed*

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- (2<sup>nd</sup> page of Moore's shown)

Page 7. Then growing on my feet was in 1863, just before the surrender of Vicksburg, Miss. The bunions began to grow soon after the corns first bothered me. There are two on each foot, on the joints of both great and little toes, opposite the heels of the feet. I believe the corns and bunions were caused by hard marching around Vicksburg in 1863 and I believe that the large loose shoes I had to wear had something to do with bringing them on.

From the time they first began to hurt me I greased the corns and bunions and the first medical treatment I got for them was in 1863 about a week after the surrender of Vicksburg. Then I consulted Dr. A. H. Seulers, our chest Surg. He examined my feet and gave me some salve to put on them. Dr. Seulers gave me salve two or three times but I don't recollect that he examined my feet more than once. Dr. Seulers is dead, he lived in Ohio.

Dr. Sadler, next examined my feet, that was soon after Dr. Seulers had examined them. He gave me some salve for them too. From the surrender of Vicksburg, Miss. in 1863, until we left Baton Rouge, La. in Dec. 1864 or Jan'y 1865, I was with the Hospital department, Regimental, I was never away from the regiment during my service. Dr. Sadler was killed at Baton Rouge La. in 1864.

I don't remember that any other doctor examined my feet than those mentioned.

I showed my feet to J. L. Saunders, a comrade before I went to the Hospital. He frequently visited me in the hospital and he saw them during the time I was there. The last information I had from him he lived at Croppers Depot, Shelby Co. Ky. tho' I have written to him several times within the past eight months and have got no reply. We were together when we were discharged at Louisville, Ky.

I could not say positively whether I ever



## Special Examiner's Report

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- Testimony read back to the deponent
- (3rd page of Moore's shown)

should my feet during my service to any other one of my comrades or not.

While I was with Co. my messmates were besides S. S. Sanders, Benjamin B. Geman, he lives in Louisville, Ky. and is Asst. Supt. of a Street Railway Co. there. John Williams, now dead, he lived in Anderson Co. Ky. Thomas Williams, who I think lives near Lawrenceburg, Ky. A. J. McCaughey, he lives at Graffamsburg, Shelby Co. Ky. John and Riley Murphy, of Mt. Eden Spencer Co. Ky. They were my messmates up to the time I went to the Hospital.

If there is any one who would know about the condition of my feet during the time I was at the hospital it is William McBurn, Horpl. Steward, I don't know where he lives, At the time I was discharged my feet are crippled by reason of the corns and bunions but they have gradually grown worse and now I am unable to perform any manual labor whatever.

The first work I did after coming out of the army was tending bar in Louisville, Ky. for Wm. Sturms on the Corner of Floyd & Jefferson Sts. I went to work for him the day or day after I was mustered out. I worked for him 2 or 3 months when he sold out and went to Jeffersonville, Ind., and I don't know when he lives now. Peter George was also a bar keeper for Sturms when I was. When Sturms sold out George went with him to Jeffersonville Ind. and kept bar for him there. Sometime during the summer of 1863, I was visiting one of Sturms daughters and while there a traveling corn doctor, whose name I don't remember, came there and I got him to cut off my corns, Peter George was present. I don't know where he lives.

After I stopped tending bar I went onto the Street Railway in Louisville as Conductor and worked

Page 8 Deposition X



## Special Examiner's Report

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That I worked for the Canal Co. on a dredge boat at Louisville about one year. I then went back to the Street railway and worked about 2 years, and then I went to building cars again in Louisville, Ky. for my father-in-law, after that I came to Greenville, Ind.

When I first came here in 1876, I remained idle until March or April 1877, when I worked a few days for Dr. Knight of this place. I then worked for John Riley about 4 years as a night watchman at his big factory. He lives here now. I next worked for John Bayne nearly 4 years as a teamster. He owned a Saw Mill. He lives here now. I was then idle until the 4th of March 1885 when I commenced work at the Stone factory of Rockaway & Rockafeller, I run their tent machine. I was there only a short time and then I did nothing until last November when I commenced working for the Sheriff as my deputy.

I want Dr. E. W. Bence testimony taken to show my physical condition for the past 4 or 5 years. I also want Isaac Wack's testimony to show same since I first came here.

Ques. Have you any other witnesses here whom you want examined and what you desire to prove by them?

Ans. Yes, I would like all the parties examined who live here and who have testified as to my condition since 1876. I want to show what my condition has been since that year.

John W. Moore  
Deponent.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 4th day of August 1886, and I certify that the contents were fully made known to deponent before signing.

For W. McLeary  
Special Examiner.

Page 7 Deposition 4



## “Action Sheet” (or Briefing Paper)

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- Action requested
- Action taken
- Notes about case
- Case history
- Attorney
- Etc.

207  
*Indiana*

INVALID PENSION.

Claimant, *John W. Moore*  
P. O., *Greencastle*  
County, *Putnam*  
State, *Indiana*  
Attorney, *Jesse W. Weik, Greencastle, Indiana*  
Fee, \$ *10* Agent not to pay  
Rate, \$ *4* per month, commencing *January 27, 1865* ✓

Rank, *Private*  
Company, *2*  
Regiment, *19, Ky. Vols*

Disabled by *Right Inguinal Hernia*  
Submitted for admission *April 8, 1882*, by *C. W. Keyes*, Examiner.  
Approved for *Hernia right side* Approved for *right inguinal hernia - 1/2*

*M. S. Roberts*  
*April 19, 1882*, Reviewer. *Jos. W. Rawlin*  
*April 25, 1882*, Med. Referee.

Enlisted *November 2*, 1861. service from \_\_\_\_\_  
Mustered *January 2*, 1862. 18, to \_\_\_\_\_, 18, in \_\_\_\_\_  
Discharged *January 26*, 1865.  
Declaration filed *April 28*, 1879. Not in military or naval service since *January*  
Last material evidence filed \_\_\_\_\_, 18, \_\_\_\_\_, 1865, when discharged.

BASIS OF CLAIM.

Alleges in declaration filed *April 28, 1879* that at *Vicksburg Miss.*  
*June 15, 1863* he was returning from picket duty early in  
the morning while walking down a steep bank he slipped  
and fell and thereby ruptured himself so badly that he

1879



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- Etc.

207.757-  
Indianapolis

(3-145.)

Re-issue **INVALID PENSION.**  
*To change rate*

Claimant, *John H. Moore*  
P. O., *Greencastle* Rank, *Private*  
County, *Putnam* Company, *I*  
State, *Ind* Regiment, *19 Ky. Vols*  
Attorney, *None* Fee, \$  
Rate, \$ *4* per month, commencing *Jan'y. 27-1865*  
*and 8* " " *from April 3-1884.*

Disabled by *Right inguinal hernia*  
Submitted *Dec 6*, 1884 by *S. J. Neal*, Examiner.  
Approved for *Right inguinal hernia* Approved for *Right inguinal hernia*  
*hermia* *Total from Apl. 3, 1884.*  
*Heery*, 1884, *J. Dickinson* Reviewer. *C. J. C.* *W. H. Cook*  
*Dec. 12, 1884.* Med. Referee.

1884 Re-issue



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- Etc.

681890 Restoration

(3-145)

*Restoration* INVALID PENSION.

Claimant, *John W. Moore*

P. O., *Barncastle*

County, *Polk*

State, *Indiana*

Rate, \$            per month, commencing           

Disabled by *Right Punguineal Chorea*

RECOGNIZED

Name, *James F. Doe*

P. O., *Barncastle Ind*

APPROVED

Admitted for restoration May 19<sup>th</sup> 1888.

Approved for right Punguineal Chorea

Restoration subject to approval of Med. Ref. to commence            1888.

May 24, 1890, *Thorn*, Legal Ref.

Discharged January 26, 1865. Last p.

Pensioned from January 27, 1865, at \$ 4, for *right Punguineal Chorea*.

Original declaration filed April 25, 1879; alleged *Suppl.*

(3-530.)

Bureau of Pensions.

This slip should be attached to brief in admitted cases that have been called up by members of present Congress

By Direction of Commissioner:

A. W. FISHER,  
Chief Clerk.

*Southern* Division,

*Restoration* Claim,

of No. 207 of *John*

*W. Moore* to pay.

P. O. *Barncastle*, 18          

And a

Hon. *Geo W. Cooper* Examiner.

called up this case Feb 11, 1890.

and should be informed of its adjudication.

*S. H. Elliot* Examined

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1890

Referee.



## “Action Sheet” (or Briefing Paper)

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- Action taken
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- Case history
- Attorney
- Etc.

1907

3-355. Date No. 207.757

Renewal Increase **INVALID PENSION.**

Claimant, John W. Moore

P. O., Brunswick Rank, Private

County, Bethlehem Company, 1st

State, Indiana Regiment, 15th U.S. Inf.

Rate, \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month, beginning \_\_\_\_\_

Pensioned for \_\_\_\_\_

*Admitted to pension for right inguinal hernia subject to claimant's election of his salary or higher rate of pay or higher other*

*Approved for renewal for right inguinal hernia (completed) 10th Jan 1891 (Rank 2nd Lt)*

*No further increase.*

**RECOGNIZED ATTORNEY.**

Name, P. J. Galbreath & Co. Fee, \$2.00; Agent to pay.

P. O., Washington, D.C. Articles filed, M. A. M. Donald

*Refused for med. ex. February 7, 1907*

**APPROVALS.**

Submitted for, March 18, 1907, M. A. M. Donald, Examiner.

Approved for, Renewal under the General Law for right inguinal hernia, (old), pension pending

Quanton as to title under Policy 245, for consideration of Medical Review.

Detached Sub. Segment and 2nd piece from 1st piece act of June 27, 1880.

April 16, 1907, B. J. Loran, Legal Reviewer.

April 18, 1907, J. E. Bradford, Re-Reviewer.

April 18, 1907, Bennet, Medical Examiner.

April 18, 1907, Jaylor, Medical Reviewer.

March, Medical Referee.

Enlisted November 2, 1861. Discharged January 26, 1865. Last paid to \_\_\_\_\_

Not pensioned at \$12.00 per month under act of June 27, 1880

Was pensioned at \$5.00 for right inguinal hernia.

Encl. filed July 30, 1906 **PRESENT CLAIM.**



## Inquiry to Third Auditor of the Treasury

What do your records show about how much he is being paid?

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I.H.E.

(3-398.)

Department of the Interior,  
PENSION OFFICE,  
Washington, D. C., April 30<sup>th</sup> 1890

Hon Third Auditor of Treasury  
Washington D.C.

Sir:

Please furnish a report in the following-named invalid pension case:

Serial No. 20,707

Name of pensioner John M. Moore

Agency, Indianapolis Ind<sup>a</sup> Last pensioned at \$8.00 per month from right inguinal hernia

Very respectfully,

John B. Ramm  
John C. Black,  
Commissioner

THIRD AUDITOR'S OFFICE,  
RECEIVED  
MAY 1 1890  
PENSION DIVISION.

Report

Last paid to include \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_, at the rate of \$\_\_\_\_\_ per month. Reduced \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_, from \$\_\_\_\_\_ per month to \$\_\_\_\_\_ per month, from \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_, and from \$\_\_\_\_\_ per month to \$\_\_\_\_\_ per month from \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_.

U. S. Pension Agent.

NOTE.—When dropped, so state, giving cause. When reduced, state cause and date from which reduced; when no reduction, so state. Any discrepancy from the statement of this Office shown by the Agency records will be noted.

(7630-3 M.)



## Answer from Third Auditor of the Treasury

Here is how much he was paid and when

FORM 196.

**Treasury Department,**  
THIRD AUDITOR'S OFFICE.

May 6<sup>th</sup>, 1890

Sir:

In reply to your letter of 30<sup>th</sup> Feb., in case of  
John M. Moore Certificate #207757  
Indianapolis, Ind. Agency, Auditor Roll,  
the records of this Office show payments to have been made at \$1.  
per month from 1<sup>st</sup> January 1880 to 3 April 1884 and there-  
after at \$5.64 Sep 1 1888, date to which last  
Paid  
Letter herewith returned.

Respectfully yours,  
W. H. Hall Auditor.

To  
Gen. James F. P. Smith,

(Ed. 3-14-'90—1,000.)

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## “Advice” papers

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- What action should be taken on this file?
- May summarize current state of evidence
- May indicate problems with the claim

(3-428.)

**Medical Division,**  
BUREAU OF PENSIONS,  
Washington, D. C., *Oct. 30., 1888*

No. Claim *207,737.*  
Claimant *John W. Moore.*  
Soldier *The same.*  
Co. *I*, *19-* Reg't *1st. Vol.*

Respectfully returned to *Mr. Van Meter.*  
*Chf. Bd. Rev.*

*The new evidence referred to in your slip dated Oct. 27, 1888, does not warrant any change of action.*

*The tenderness and atrophy of lumbar muscles, as shown by the said "new evidence," is shown by cert. of Bd. Ex. Surgeons at Terre Haute Ind. in Cert. dated July 25, 1888. As attached to brief to be submitted, and can have no pathological connection with a previous right inguinal hernia.*

*Wm. J. Bell*  
*Medical Examiner.*

*John W. Bell*  
*Medical Referee.*

(10736-25 M.) o 6-030.



## “Advice” papers

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- May indicate problems with the claim

*Congressional*  
**Medical Division,**  
**BUREAU OF PENSIONS,**  
 Washington, D. C., *Sept 13, 1888*

No. Claim *257,757*  
 Claimant *John W. Moore*  
 Soldier *the same*  
 Co. *D*, *19* Reg't *N.Y. Vols.*

Respectfully returned to *Chf. S. B. Davis*  
*The recent examination by Bd. Expt. Surgeons at Terre Haute, Ind. shows, as a fact, that claimant is not suffering from any hernia, neither complete nor incomplete.*  
*The action of reduction to 4/8 for incomplete right inguinal hernia dated Jan. 28, 1888, was, in view of the Cert. of Examination by Bd. at Indianapolis, Ind. dated Dec. 7, 1887, correct, but the subsequent Cert. by Terre Haute Ind. Bd. dated July 25,*



## “Advice” papers

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- May indicate problems with the claim
- (continuation sheet shown)

Respectfully returned to \_\_\_\_\_

1888. Shows that claimant  
should be dropped from the  
rolls, right inguinal hernia  
having ceased.

A careful consideration  
of all the medical examinations  
in this case, shows it to be, from  
a medical stand point, extremely  
problematic whether claim-  
ant ever has suffered from a  
hernial protrusion on the  
right side.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. L. Bell.  
Acting Medical Examiner.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
John Campbell  
Medical Referee.

(8419—25 M.) o 6-030.



# Notice to be Examined by Pension Office's Choice of Examining Surgeon(s)

- Yearly or Every Two Years
- Depending upon nature of disabilities claimed

Rem  
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
BUREAU OF PENSIONS,  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

No. 336622-  
Service, D. 19. N.Y. Cav.  
Mr. Lyman Parshall-  
Hartland,  
Livingston Co. Mich.

Med Ex  
May 2/13

BOARD OF REVIEW  
JUL 9 1913  
BUREAU OF PENSIONS  
RECEIVED

You are hereby directed to report in person for a medical examination to the Board of Examining Surgeons, St. and No. New Beach Building, Town, Howell, County, Livingston State, Mich., within three months from date hereof. The Board meets at 10 o'clock A.M. First Wednesday in each month. Read instructions below and return this order after the surgeon has indorsed thereon the date of your examination.

Very respectfully,  
J. M. S. G. Commissioner.

Notify the board on which of the designated days you will appear for examination, using the enclosed card, which requires no postage.

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 a certificate on the same paper as follows: "I, \_\_\_\_\_ the applicant for (increase or original) pension referred to in this medical certificate, hereby consent to be examined by Dr. \_\_\_\_\_ 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.

EXAMINATION made by Dr. W. H. Ewin, Dr. W. L. Huntington and Dr. R. H. Baird, members of the Board, July 2, 1913.

ATTORNEY: None P. O., \_\_\_\_\_

U. S. PENSION OFFICE  
JUL 13 1913

W. L. Huntington, Secretary.



3-340.

(EXAMINING SURGEON'S VOUCHER.)

# Instructions to Examining Surgeon

## TO THE EXAMINING SURGEON.

The claimant named on the outside of this circular has been directed to report himself to you for examination within three months of the date hereof.

Should he present himself, please examine him and make your report to this Bureau at once, in accordance with the instructions of the pamphlet already transmitted to you.

(1) Two orders for examination are issued, one to the claimant and one to the examining surgeon, or board of examining surgeons. These orders should be carefully compared before an examination is made, as certificates of examination made upon orders issued to other boards or surgeons will not be accepted or paid for, except in cases in which this Bureau may direct such action by special instructions.

Any order received by a surgeon which is intended for another should be immediately remailed to this Bureau in a separate envelope, together with the envelope in which it was received.

(2) If the order to a surgeon fails to reach him, and the applicant presents himself with *his* order, the examination should be made; or, if the claimant presents himself without an order, and the surgeon has one in his possession authorizing the examination, it should be made.

(3) Orders for examination are generally valid for three months from the date of same. They should, however, be kept until the first meeting of the board following the expiration of the three months limit, when, if the claimant appears, he should be examined. Should he not appear at this session, the order should be indorsed, "*Claimant failed to appear within specified time,*" dated, and returned to the Bureau.

(4) No examination made by a single member of a board will be accepted, unless such examination is made upon a special order from the Bureau. It is desired that all examinations be made by a full board; but if one member is absent, the examination may proceed if the claimant signs the proper waiver upon the back of the certificate, consenting to an examination by two members. (See forms on back of Medical Certificate.)

This Circular must be returned to this Bureau with your certificate of examination, accompanied by your daily account, or in the event of the person named in it failing to report within the specified time, return it indorsed as required by paragraph 15 of the instructions quoted above.

6-755



## Examining Surgeon's Certificate

- Often Annually
- Increase or Continuation
- “Ordinary Cases”
- Board of “One” Doctor
- Every County had Board
- Could Request Examination by a Different County's Board

### Examining Surgeon's Certificate.

Done Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1869.

I hereby certify, That I have carefully examined  
 Applicant's service. Richard E. Parshale, late a Sergeant in Co. "A"  
6<sup>th</sup> Regt. Mich. Cav.

in the service of the United States, who was discharged at  
Fort Leavenworth Kas., on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of June,  
1865, and is an applicant for an invalid pension, by reason of  
 alleged disability resulting from Chronic Rheumatism

Degree of disability. In my opinion the said Richard E. Parshale  
 is totally incapacitated for obtaining his subsistence by  
 manual labor from the cause above stated.

Origin. Judging from his present condition, and from the evidence before  
 me, it is my belief that the said disability originated  
 in the service aforesaid in the line of duty.

Probable duration. The disability is of uncertain duration  
 A more particular description of the applicant's condition is  
 subjoined:

Particular description. By spontaneous luxation, as the sequel of rheuma-  
 tism the head of the left femur is apparently com-  
 pletely disarticulated. The trochanter major being very prominent  
 higher + a little back of its natural position. The foot is elevated  
 particularly the heel higher than its mate over two inches otherwise  
 its position is normal. There is general atrophy of the leg  
 and partial ankylosis of the hip joint.

R. C. Hutton  
 Examining Surgeon.



## Examining Surgeon's Certificate

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3-155.

### SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE.

Insert character and number of claim. *Renewal + Increase* Pension Claim No. *207757*

Name of claimant. *John W. Moore* Address *CRAWFORDSVILLE, IND.* P. O. State. *190*

Company *B. 19 Reg't My Inf* Board. *MAR 24 1909* (Date of examination.)

Claimant's post-office address. *Green Castle, Ind.*

Name of disability. *Right inguinal hernia complete*

He receives a pension of *12* dollars per month.

Here give the statement (as briefly and as completely as possible) in regard to the date of origin and cause of his disability, and the manner in which they affect him.

He makes the following statement in regard to the origin of his disabilities and date when first discovered by him: *hernia 1864 at siege of Vicksburg, have had to wear a truss most of the time since, thru out a good deal, Rheumatism, just after war, more or less every since, gets worse of late years*

Birthplace, *Clay Co Missouri*; age, *66* years; height, *5-2 3/4*; weight, *182 1/2* pounds; complexion, *fair*; color of eyes, *blue*; color of hair *brown*; occupation, *Keep a sawy store*; permanent marks and scars other than those described below, *none*

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

Pulse rate, *88-94-150*; respiration, *20-22-30*; temperature, *98.5°*

*(Sitting, standing, after exercise.) (Sitting, standing, after exercise.)*

General health *poor, nutrition good*

Here give a full description of the disability, its location, its extent, and make separate paragraphs for each disability.

*Hernia. The rings are patulous and dilated. Canals also, tumor not down at present, he states that it comes down into scrotum at times, that it was down two weeks ago - one times more. Abdomen is very pendulous and prominent. He states that the reason he has no truss on is because it has been broken. The hernia is a complete one altho' not down at present. = 10/18*

*Rheumatism. Flattened over sacrum, muscles rigid in lumbar region, he cannot stoop at all, shoulders are stiffened left arm cannot raise left arm to level. Knees and hips are stiffened, he uses a cane in walking. Arms are small in proportion to weight. See discrepancy. Chest measures 39" abdomen at umbilicus 43", Loss force & motion in affected joints & chest 1/2 to 3/4, he goes up and down stairs sideways, = 17/18*

When a disability is shown or is believed to be due to or aggravated by various habits the condition of the body must be stated. When not due to such habits this fact must be stated.

*Chest. Full, symmetrical 39"-40 1/2"-37 1/2", vocal fremitus & resonance normal, no dulness, respiration clear. Heart. Apex 6 1/2 spaces, dulness increased, rhythm irregular, force feeble, sounds indistinct, particularly 2nd sound, action rapid. No murmurs, shift of breath on exercise, no edema, general capillary congestion, = 17/18*

*Urine. Amber, 1018, acid, no albumen, no sugar, No other disability found, no evidence of vicious habits.*

This claimant is so disabled from hernia, rheumatism and dis. of heart as to be incapacitated in a degree equivalent to the loss of a hand or foot for the purposes of manual labor and is entitled to \$24 a month.

When rules are recommended solely on positive evidence the strongest reasons must be given therefor.

*H. H. Cavan* Sec'y. *E. H. Cavan* Treas.



## Examining Surgeon' Certificate (reverse side)

- Often Annually
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- “Ordinary Cases”
- Board of Three Doctors, 1880s-
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As examination must not be made by any member of a board except upon a special order of the Commissioner of Pensions.

(This certificate to be filled in and signed by the secretary when the full board is present.)  
 “I hereby certify that Dr. Quemmgen, Dr. Cowan, and Dr. Reegan, were personally present and actually participated in the examination of John W. Morris, the claimant in this case, on MAR 24 1909 day of MAR 24 1909, 1909.”  
 (Signature.) E. H. Cowan

(This certificate to be filled in by the member of the board acting as secretary, and signed by the applicant, when a full board is not present.)  
 “I, John W. Morris, the applicant for (increase or original) pension referred to in this medical certificate, hereby consent to be examined by Dr. Reegan and Dr. Cowan, the examining surgeons here present (waiving examination by full board), on this 24 day of MAR, 1909.”

Witnesses { John W. Morris (Signature of Applicant.)

**SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE**  
 IN CASE OF  
John W. Morris  
 Co. D, 1<sup>st</sup> Regt. My Inf  
 APPLICANT FOR Recess and increase  
No. 207757  
 DATE OF EXAMINATION:  
MAR 24 1909  
1909  
 BOARD.  
E. H. Cowan Pres.,  
E. H. Cowan Sec'y,  
E. H. Cowan Treas.,  
 Post office, SAVANNAHVILLE, IND.  
 County, Montgomery,  
 State, IND.

Do not use back of certificate for any purpose other than indicated by printed matter thereon. 6-312a

The outlines of the human skeleton and figure should be used to indicate precisely the location of a disease or injury, the entrance and exit of a missile, an amputation, etc.

(Paste continuation sheet, if used, here.)



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# SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE.

3-155.

Insect character and number of claim.

Name of claimant.

Claimant's post office address.

Name of disabilities.

Pension Claim No. 20775-27

Company 19 Reg't 1st Div

Address

Board

Grandall P. O.

St. Louis State.

May 20, 1907

(Date of examination.)

He receives a pension of 1.00 dollars per month.

Here give the claimant's statement (as briefly and as completely as possible) in regard to the date of origin and cause of the disability, and the manner in which they affect him.

He makes the following statement in regard to the origin of his disabilities and date when first discovered by him: Married Carrie Jane Smith  
married a wife at St. Louis, Mo. and  
and married. Rheumatism and  
left side. Now  
the two have pain

Birthplace, Missouri; age, 65 years; height, 4-4 1/2  
weight, 160 pounds; complexion, light; color of eyes, blue;  
color of hair, light; occupation, laborer; permanent marks and  
scars other than those described below, none.

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

Pulse rate, 80; respiration, 22; temperature, 98.2;  
(Sitting, standing, after exercise.) (Sitting, standing, after exercise.)

Right Inguinal Hernia.

Here give a full description of the disability, its accordance with Book of a disability, a separate paragraph for each disability.

Facts within the knowledge of the Board, or any one in authority there, relative to the disability found should be stated.

Whenever a disability is shown or is believed to be due to or aggravated by any disease, the opinion of the board must be stated. When due to such habits this fact must be stated.

He has right oblique inguinal  
Hernia. The tumor passes through the  
external Ring. Rings and Canals are large  
and lax. Two fingers are readily admitted  
Scrotum much inflamed. He has trouble in  
retaining tumor with any truss, he has tried.  
He has no reason why a properly adjusted  
truss would not retain it. Date Hernia 12/18 -  
Heart. Apex beat most distinctly heard 1 1/2 in  
below 13 in internal to left nipple. Heart is  
slightly enlarged. Action too rapid. Both  
sound are distinct. No cyanosis  
edema or murmurs are heard. Heart of  
lungs and kidneys show no signs  
of disease. Rheumatism. He has  
Repetitive in both shoulder joints on passive motion. He can  
not raise right elbow to level of shoulder, back is  
about fifteen degrees, on account of pain and contraction of  
tendons. He can raise left elbow to level of shoulder. Left arm  
has no motion at all. Enclosed left leg is swollen  
from knee to foot. He wears rubber stocking from knee to  
ankle. Measurements see diagram. Complaints of pain in back.  
There are no other changes we can appreciate. Date Rheumatism 10/18.  
Eyes. Conjunctivae are red-inflamed. Blood vessels are  
prominent. Right eye can perceive light but can not see  
any object. The pupil of this eye reflects white appearance with a  
slight fringe of yellow. This pupil does not respond to light, the left  
being correct. The left reads 20 at 12 ft. Disease of eye  
and loss of vision of right and partial loss of vision of left eye 15/20.  
No evidence of former venereal disease.  
This Claimant is disabled from Hernia Rheumatism and  
disease of eyes. Loss of vision in right and partial loss of vision  
in left so he is incapacitated for performing any manual labor  
and is entitled to \$35 a month.

A. H. Tucker, Pres. Lee M. Hanna, Sec'y. Chas. H. Moore, Trans.

Single surpense will use this blank, changing "we" to read "I."

Marginal surpense shall serve as addenda.



## Examining Surgeon's Certificate (reverse side)

- Often Annually
- Increase or Continuation
- “Ordinary Cases”
- Board of Three Doctors, 1880s & later
- Every County had Board
- Could Request Examination by a Different County's Board

An examination must not be made by one member of a board except upon a special order of the Commissioner of Pensions.

(This certificate to be filled in and signed by the secretary when the full board is present.)

"I hereby certify that Dr. W. W. Tucker, Dr. L. M. Hanna, and Dr. Alex. H. Moore, were personally present and actually participated in the examination of John W. Moore, the claimant in this case, on 20 day of February, 1907."

(Signature) Levi M. Hanna, Secy.

(This certificate to be filled in by the member of the board acting as secretary, and signed by the applicant, when a full board is not present.)

"I, \_\_\_\_\_, the applicant for (increase or original) pension referred to in this medical certificate, hereby consent to be examined by Dr. \_\_\_\_\_ and Dr. \_\_\_\_\_, the examining surgeons here present (waiving examination by full board), on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1907."

Witnesses to mark. { \_\_\_\_\_ (Signature of Applicant.) \_\_\_\_\_

**SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE**  
IN CASE OF  
John W. Moore  
C/O 19 Regt Ky Inf  
APPLICANT FOR Inc.  
20 Feb 1907

DATE OF EXAMINATION:  
February 20<sup>th</sup>, 1907

BOARD:  
W. W. Tucker, Pres.  
Levi M. Hanna, Secy.  
Alex. H. Moore, Treat.

Post office, Greensboro,  
County, Fulton,  
State, Indiana.

Do not use back of certificates for any purpose other than indicated by printed matter thereon.

The outlines of the human skeleton and figure should be used to indicate precisely the location of a disease or injury, the entrance and exit of a missile, an amputation, etc.



## Congressional Action

- May be further records in the Records of the U.S. House or U.S. Senate
- HERE at the National Archives
- INQUIRE at our Center for Legislative Archives
- U.S. Government Publications
  - Journal of House and/or Senate



## Fee Agreement with Attorney

- Rules as to how much an attorney could collect
- Fee agreement shows it is within bounds of law

This form of Fee Contract is prescribed by the Commissioner of Pensions and approved by the Secretary of the Interior, 1884, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved July 4, 1884.

TO BE EXECUTED IN DUPLICATE WITHOUT ADDITIONAL COST TO CLAIMANT.

### ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT.

Whereas I, John W. Moore late a Private in Company H of the 19<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Kentucky Volunteers, incurred with additional disability war of 1861, having made application for pension under the laws of the United States:

Now this agreement witnesseth: That for and in consideration of services done and to be done in the premises, I hereby agree to allow my agent, John R. Miller of Greencastle, Indiana, the fee of Twenty dollars, which shall include all amounts to be paid for any services in the furtherance of said claim; and said fee shall not be demanded by or payable to my said agent, in whole or in part, except in case of the granting of my pension by the Commissioner of Pensions; and that the same shall be paid to him in accordance with the provisions of Sections 4768 and 4769 of the Revised Statutes, U. S.

Walter J. Ashton  
David Steers  
(Signatures of two witnesses.)

John W. Moore  
Greencastle, Indiana.  
(Signature of claimant.)  
(Post-office address.)

State of Indiana, County of Bartusam, ss:

Be it known, that on this, the 27<sup>th</sup> day of August, A. D. 1884, personally appeared John W. Moore the above named, who, after having had read over to him in the hearing and presence of the two attesting witnesses, the contents of the foregoing articles of agreement, voluntarily signed and acknowledged the same to be his free act and deed.

[L. S.] John W. Moore  
(Official Signature.)  
A. D. 1884, 7

AND NOW, to-wit, this 27<sup>th</sup> day of August, A. D. 1884, I, John R. Miller, accept the provisions contained in the foregoing articles of agreement, and will to the best of my ability, endeavor faithfully to represent the interest of the claimant in the premises, and hereby certify that 7 have received from the claimant above named the sum of nothing dollars, and no more; nothing dollars being for fee, and the sum of nothing dollars being for postage and other expenses. And that these agreements have been executed in duplicate without additional cost to the claimant, as required by law, in excess of the fee above named, the said agent making no charge therefor.

Witness my hand the year and day above written.

John R. Miller  
(Signature of agent.)

State of Indiana, County of Bartusam, ss:

Personally came John R. Miller whom I know to be the person he represents himself to be, and who, having signed above acceptance of agreement, acknowledged the same to be his free act and deed.

[L. S.] John R. Miller  
(Official Signature.)

APPROVED FOR John R. Miller of Greencastle, Indiana

DOLLARS, and payable to



# Live Long Enough Get Pension Based on Age Alone

- No medical exams again
- No proving disability again

“Born the same year the  
state of Michigan was”

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT—PENSION. FORM A F. A. Onderdonk, Grand Rapids, Mich.

## GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

State of Michigan, County of Kent, SS:

In the Matter of Samuel Sayers Co. H 1st Michigan Vol. I. A.  
Here state name of claimant and of soldier and his military service.

Ctl. # 363. 613 Civil War

On this 23rd day of Jan, A. D. 19 12, personally appeared before me, a Notary Public in and for the aforesaid County and State, duly authorized to administer oaths, Samuel Sayers, aged 75 years, a resident of Soldiers Home in the County of Kent and State of Michigan whose Post Office address is Soldiers Home Kent Co. Mich. well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declared in relation to the aforesaid case as follows:

Note.—Affiants should state how long they have known soldier, how often they have seen him on an average during their acquaintance with him, and any other matters that would tend to show the basis of their knowledge of the facts to which they testify.

I cannot furnish the Evidence required in the Accompanying Letter. For all of my People are Dead My Father Died in 1857 in Hartlin Township Mich, My Mother Died in 1885 in Saginaw Mich. None of my Brothers or Sisters are alive, and I do not know where to look for any record, but I know that my Mother had one but what Became of it I do not know, but I have bin Joked about my being Born the same Year that the STATE of Michigan was (Admitted to the Union) and nearly the same Day but the same Month. I am now drawing a Pension of 15 Dollars a Month on the same Testimony. I certinly was born Jan 7th 1837.

further declared that no interest in said case and not concerned in its prosecution.

WITNESSES:  
James E. Hawley  
James Kelly

Samuel Sayers  
Signature of claimant

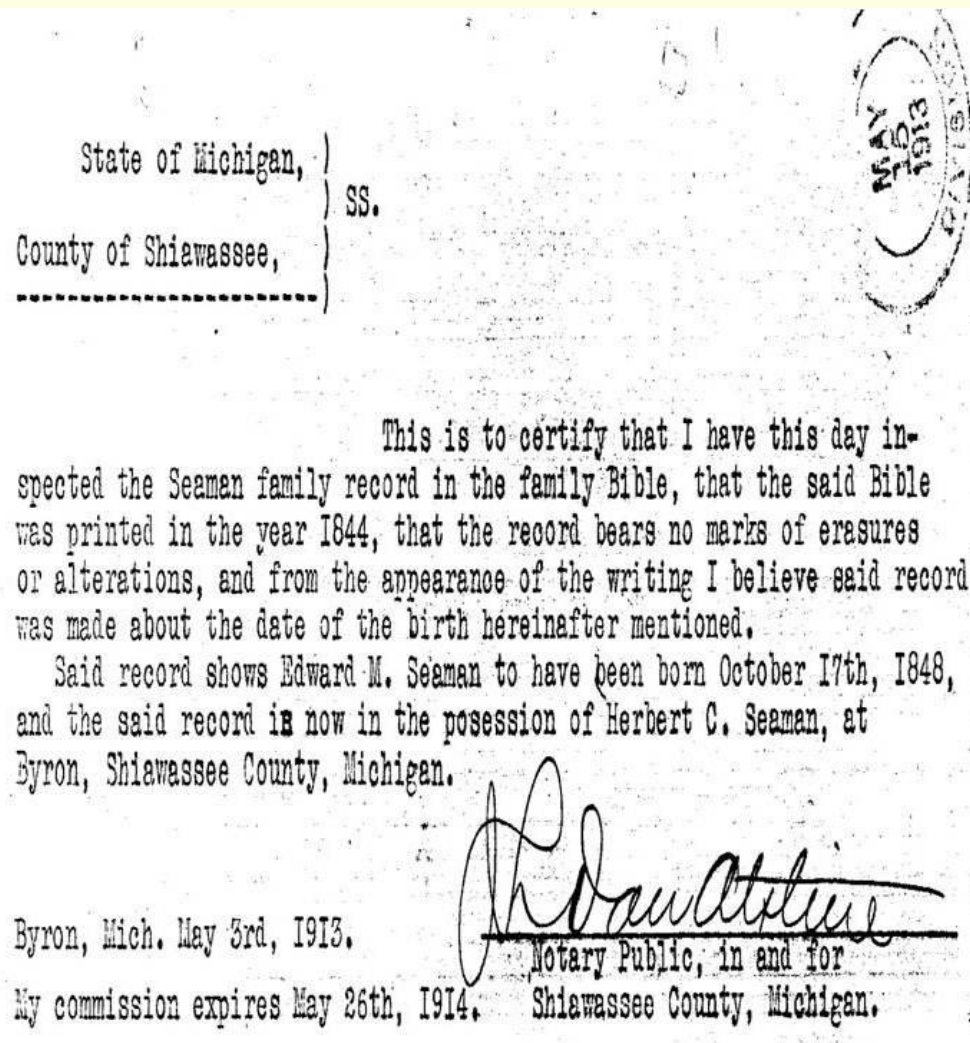
If claimant sign by mark, two persons who can write must sign here.



## Live Long Enough

### Get Pension Based on Age Alone

- No medical exams again
- No proving disability again





## Family Information

- 1898 questionnaire
- Who is your wife?
- Date of marriage?
- Who are your kids?
- Dates of birth?

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF PENSIONS  
3-402.

RETURN TO:  
U. S. PENSION AGENT,  
DETROIT, MICH.

Certificate No. 336.622  
Name, Lyman Parshall

Department of the Interior,  
BUREAU OF PENSIONS,  
Washington, D. C., January 15, 1898.

SIR:

In forwarding to the pension agent the executed voucher for your next quarterly payment please favor me by returning this circular to him with replies to the questions enumerated below.

Very respectfully,

*McKay Brand*  
Commissioner.

First. Are you married? If so, please state your wife's full name and her maiden name.  
Answer. Yes - Maria Parshall - Maria Blood

Second. When, where, and by whom were you married?  
Answer. July 27/66 - Wyoming N.Y. Rev. Charles Ray

Third. What record of marriage exists?  
Answer. Marriage certificate

Fourth. Were you previously married? If so, please state the name of your former wife and the date and place of her death or divorce.  
Answer. No

Fifth. Have you any children living? If so, please state their names and the dates of their birth.  
Answer. Julia Edward M. Lee, May, Frederick, dates of birth given in same order as named Dec. 17/66 - Dec. 12/68 - Nov. 8/70 - Oct. 6/75 - Aug. 29/98

Date of reply, June 4<sup>th</sup> 1898 Lyman Parshall  
(Signature.)

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## Family Information

- 1915 questionnaire
- Who is your wife?
- Date of marriage?
- Who are your kids?
- Dates of birth?

3-380  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF PENSIONS

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 2, 1915.

SIR: Please answer, at your earliest convenience, the questions enumerated below. The information is requested for future use, and it may be of great value to your widow or children. Use the inclosed envelope, which requires no stamp.

Very respectfully,

*G. N. Saenger*  
Commissioner.

EDWARD M SEAMAN  
BERKELEY CAL  
76747 ACT MAY  
1323 HENRY ST

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NO. 1. Date and place of birth? Answer: October 17, 1848, Milford, Oakland Co., Michigan.  
The name of organizations in which you served? Answer: Co. A, 3rd Michigan Cavalry.

NO. 2. What was your post office at enlistment? Answer: Hartland Center, Livingston Co., Michigan.

NO. 3. State your wife's full name and her maiden name. Answer: Artemissia Amelia Seaman (Stone).

NO. 4. When, where, and by whom were you married? Answer: At Walnut Creek, Contra Costa Co., California. By Rev. A. Holbrook, on September 16, 1886.

NO. 5. Is there any official or church record of your marriage? Answer: Yes, official.  
If so, where? Answer: In the office of the County Recorder of Contra Costa Co. at Martinez, California.

NO. 6. Were you previously married? If so, state the name of your former wife, the date of the marriage, and the date and place of her death or divorce. If there was more than one previous marriage, let your answer include all former wives. Answer: No.

NO. 7. If your present wife was married before her marriage to you, state the name of her former husband, the date of such marriage, and the date and place of his death or divorce, and state whether he ever rendered any military or naval service, and, if so, give name of the organization in which he served. If she was married more than once before her marriage to you, let your answer include all former husbands. Answer: She was not married before.

NO. 8. Are you now living with your wife, or has there been a separation? Answer: Yes, no separation.

NO. 9. State the names and dates of birth of all your children, living or dead. Answer: Alfred M. Seaman, born Jan. 28, 1889, died July 10, 1890; Edward M. Seaman, Jr., born Oct. 23, 1893; Cassius M. Seaman, born Sept. 2, 1896.

Date March 24, 1915.

(Signature) *Edward M. Seaman*



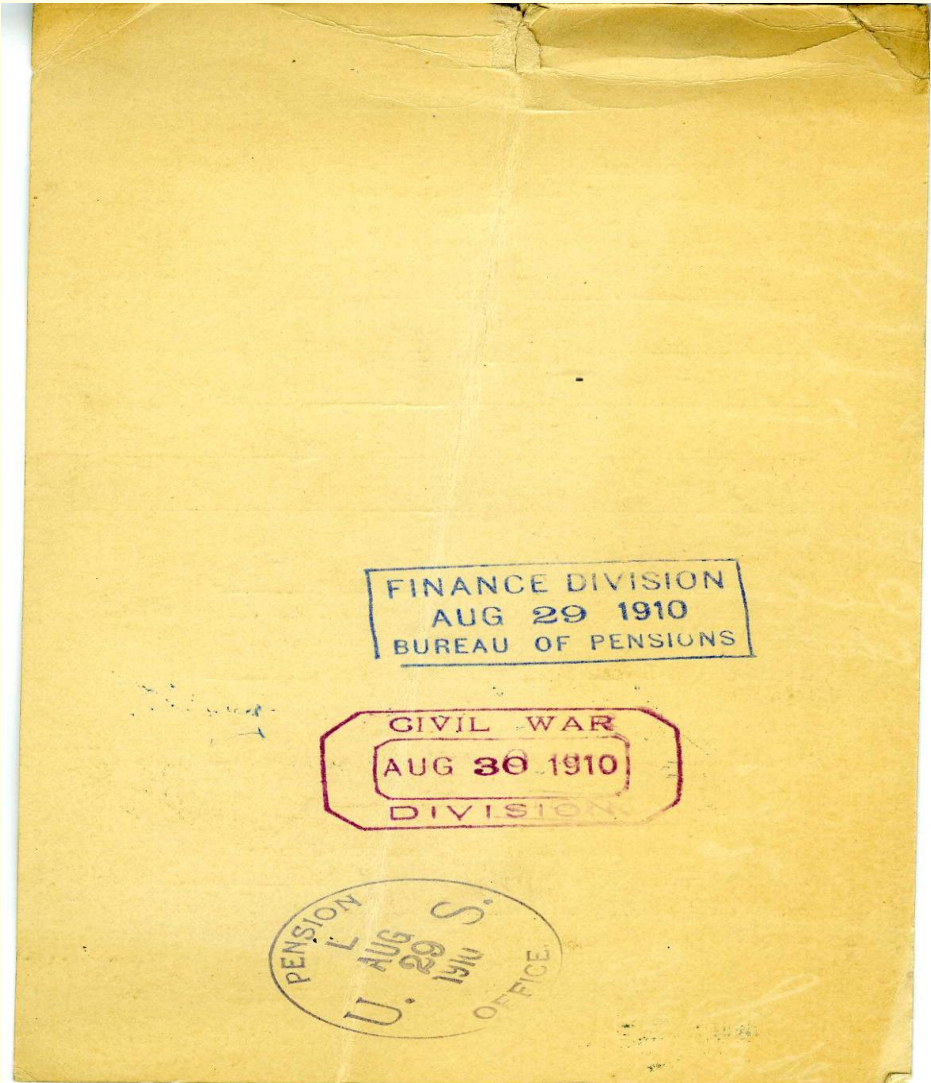
“Dropped” card

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**DROP ORDER AND REPORT**  
**Department of the Interior,**  
**BUREAU OF PENSIONS,**  
**FINANCE DIVISION.**  
 Washington, D. C., **AUG 25 1910, 19**  
*John W. Moore*  
 (Pensioner.)  
*207757*  
 (Certificate number.)  
**ACT JUNE 27, 1890. INVALID.**  
 (Class.)  
*Pri. I-19 Ky. Inf.*  
 (Soldier.)  
 (Service.)  
**U. S. Pension Agent**  
*Indianapolis*  
**SIR:** You are hereby directed to drop from the roll the name of the above-described pensioner who died *July 25*, 1910  
*J. L. Wadsworth.*  
 Commissioner.  
**REPORT.**  
**Commissioner of Pensions.**  
**SIR:** The name of the above-described pensioner, who was last paid at \$ *12* per month to *4 May*, 1910, has this day been dropped from the roll of this agency.  
*W. Johnson*  
 U. S. Pension Agent  
**AUG 27 1910**  
 6—833



## “Dropped” card

- Reverse side may have file stamps acknowledging receipt or action





## Widow Files

- Soldier is dead
- Widow was married to him when he was alive
- Widow has not remarried (or later husbands are also deceased)
- May be subject to a “Means test” – 1890s
  - May own property but it can’t be too valuable
  - Means test dropped later as widows aged
- Widow may receive accrued pension (moneys owed to soldier upon his death)



# Soldier's Death Certificate

[SEE OTHER SIDE]

Indiana State Board of Health.

## CERTIFICATE OF DEATH.

Registered No. 156

PLACE OF DEATH

County of Putnam

Township of

Village of

or

City of Greencastle

(No. 209, S. Bloomington St.;

Ward)

[If death occurs away from  
USUAL RESIDENCE  
give facts called for under  
"Special Information."]

FULL NAME

John W. Moore

[If death occurred in  
a Hospital or Institution,  
give its NAME instead of  
street and number.]

### PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

SEX Male COLOR White  
DATE OF BIRTH Aug 29 1845  
AGE 64 years 10 months 26 days  
SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED Married  
NAME OF HUSBAND OR WIFE Anna Moore  
BIRTHPLACE OF DECEASED (State or country) Clay Co. Mo.  
NAME OF FATHER James Moore  
BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or country) Mo.  
MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Henderson  
BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or country) Mo.  
OCCUPATION OF DECEASED Retired Merchant

THE ABOVE STATED PERSONAL PARTICULARS ARE TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF

(Informant) Anna Moore  
(Address) Greencastle Ind.

BURIAL PERMIT  
ISSUED BY J. M. King  
Name and Address of Health Officer or Deputy.

### MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

DATE OF DEATH July 25 1910  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from  
Mch. 31 1910 to July 24 1910  
that I last saw him alive on July 24 1910  
and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 640

A. M. The CAUSE OF DEATH was as follows:

Cancer of Liver  
(DURATION) 6 Mo.

Contributory (DURATION) DAYS

(Signed) G. M. B. M. D.  
July 26 - 1910 (Address) Greencastle Ind.

### SPECIAL INFORMATION only for Hospitals, Institutions and Transients:

Former or Usual Residence How long at Place of Death? Days  
Where was disease contracted, if not at place of death?

PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL

Forest Hill

UNDERTAKER

E. B. Lynch

ADDRESS

Greencastle

DATE OF BURIAL

7-27-1910

NO. OF LICENSE

65. MEEH 202

WAS THE BODY EMBALMED?

yes

MARGIN RESERVED FOR BINDING.

WRITE PLAINLY, WITH UNFADING INK--THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD.  
A DEAD BODY BURIED WITHOUT PERMIT SHALL BE DISINTERRED AND INQUEST HELD.

Every item of information should be carefully supplied. AGE should be stated EXACTLY. PHYSICIANS should state CAUSE OF DEATH in plain terms, that it may be properly classified. The "Special Information" for persons dying away from home should be given in every instance.

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# Soldier's Death Certificate

BUREAU OF PENSIONS

(FORM No. 37.)

BATTLE MOUNTAIN SANITARIUM, NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS,

Hot Springs, So. Dak.

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS :  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

DEC 30 1927

SIR:

~~In accordance with instructions of the President of the Board of Managers, National Home for D. V. S. I have the honor to~~

transmit herewith Pension Certificate No. 841544 of Walter Ryness

deceased, late of I Co. 8th Reg't Mich. Inf.

who died at Battle Mountain Sanitarium Hot Springs, So. Dak.

on the 17th day of Dec. 192 7

Cause of death Arteriosclerosis, general.

Social condition single

The name, address and degree of relationship of his next of kin, so far as indicated by the records of this Home are as follows:

Mrs. M. E. Dougherty, niece,

1155 South High St.,

Denver, Colo.

Very respectfully,

*John Sanku*, Governor and Surgeon.

(B. M. Sanitarium, N.H.D.V.S. 3-1-24-200)



## Last Sickness Expenses (after 1900)

Durand, Mich.,  
February 26. 1913,

Received of Fred. E. Palmer twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for expenses incurred in the sickness and death of Emma Palmer, as follows.

Board of nurse. - - -	\$ 5.00.
Board & incidentals (telephone calls etc) in connection with sickness	\$15.00.
Washing & cleaning after funeral	\$ 5.00
Totals	\$25.00

A W Benson

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1913  
U. S.  
OFFICE.



## Funeral Expenses

UNION PHONES  
OFFICE 31  
RESIDENCE 174

**C. E. MAPES**  
MASONIC BLOCK  
**Furniture and Undertaking**  
Durand, Michigan

PRIVATE  
AMBULANCE

2/26-1913.

*Fried Palmer*  
*Dr to*  
*C. E. Mapes*

*Burial of Enos Palmer.*

*Casket Box Hearse Chairs*

*Device Carriage and*

*Personal Services rendered*

*Feb. 9th to 12th, 1913.*



125.00

*Paid 2/26-1913*  
*C. E. Mapes*  
*Under Taken*



## Funeral Expenses

*Hartland, Mich.*

*February 12, 1913.*

*Received from Fred. Palmer, this  
date. Five dollars (\$5.00) for payment,  
in full, for septon services for  
the interment of the late. Enoch.  
Palmer.*

*Edward Hark*

*Horton Detton*





## Funeral Expenses

*Oakland, Cal., July 8th, 1918*

*Mrs.* Mrs Maude Yauney

**James Taylor Co.**  
FUNERAL DIRECTORS  
N. E. CORNER FIFTEENTH AND JEFFERSON STREETS  
Charles Purdy

TELEPHONE OAKLAND 680

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July 6th, 1918.

Gray cloth Casket	\$ 60.00
Embalming and services	15.00
Hearse to Mt View Cemetery	10.00
3 Limousines to Mt View Cemetery @ \$ 8 ea	24.00
Funeral Notice in Oakland Enquirer	1.00
Outside Case for Grave	5.00
	\$ 115.00
	Flowers 5.00
	Singer 5.00
	Organist 5.00
	Gravestone 2.50
	\$ 132.50

*Flowers*  
**RECEIVED PAYMENT**  
*In full*  
JUL 8 1918  
JAMES TAYLOR CO.  
Per *JLP*

PENSION  
MAR 9 1919  
OFFICE

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# Widow's Declaration for Pension

- When & where married
- Previous marriages
- Children under age 16 if there were any

3-007.  
Act of April 19, 1908.

## DECLARATION FOR WIDOW'S PENSION.

STATE OF INDIANA } ss:  
COUNTY OF PUTNAM

On this 9 th., day of August, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and ten, personally appeared before me, a NOTARY PUBLIC, Anna Moore, within and for the county and State aforesaid, Anna Moore, aged 56 years, a resident of the City of Greencastle, county of PUTNAM, State of INDIANA, who, being duly sworn according to law, makes the following declaration in order to obtain pension under the provisions of the ACT OF CONGRESS APPROVED APRIL 19, 1908.

That she is the widow of John W. Moore, who was enrolled under the name of John W. Moore, at Greencastle, Ind., on the 2 nd., day of November, 1891, as a Private in Company "I" 19 th., Reg., of Ky., Inf., Vols., and honorably discharged January 26 th., 1892, having served ninety days or more during the late civil war.

That he also served \_\_\_\_\_  
(Here give a complete statement of all other services, if any.)

That he was not in the military or naval service of the United States otherwise than as stated above.

That she was married under the name of Anna Duncan to said soldier at Louisville, Ky., on the 13 th., day of May, 1875, by a Minister of Louisville Ky.; that there was no legal barrier to the marriage; that she had not been previously married; that the soldier had been previously married, to one Jennie Coulter who died at Terre Haute, Indiana about the year, 1873 (If there was a prior marriage of either, the date and place of death or divorce of former consort or consorts should be stated.)

and that neither she nor said soldier married otherwise than as stated above.

That the said soldier died July 25 th., 1919, at Greencastle, Indiana; that she was not divorced from him, and that she has not remarried since his death.

That the said soldier left the following named children who are now living and under sixteen years of age, to wit:

_____	born _____	at _____
_____	born _____	at _____
_____	born _____	at _____
_____	born _____	at _____
_____	born _____	at _____
_____	born _____	at _____

That she has not heretofore applied for pension (If prior application has been made, the number thereof, the service on which it was based, and the name of the soldier should be stated.)

That her post-office address is Greencastle, county of PUTNAM, State of INDIANA

Attest: (1) William P. Ledbetter Anna Moore  
(2) William H. Beck (Claimant's signature in full.)

Also personally appeared William P. Ledbetter, residing in Greencastle, Indiana, and William H. Beck, residing in Greencastle Indiana, persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me duly sworn, say they were present and saw Anna Moore, the claimant, sign her name (or make her mark) to the foregoing declaration; that they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of said claimant and their acquaintance with her of 15 years and 32 years, respectively, that she is the identical person she represents herself to be, and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9 th., day of August, A. D. 1910; and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration, etc., were fully made known and explained to the applicant and witnesses before swearing, including the words \_\_\_\_\_, erased, and the words \_\_\_\_\_ added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

[L. S.]

Validity accepted as to execution  
S. A. Cuddy,  
Notary Public,  
Law Division.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9 th., day of August, A. D. 1910; and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration, etc., were fully made known and explained to the applicant and witnesses before swearing, including the words \_\_\_\_\_, erased, and the words \_\_\_\_\_ added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

Maj. Comm. Geo. M. Williams  
6-1182 expires 3/4, 1913.  
Notary Public (Official character.)



# Widow's Declaration for Pension

- Reverse side
- Provisions of the current law

3-007. *MM*

ACT OF APRIL 19, 1908.

**Claim for Pension.**

*no WIDOW.*

Name *John W. Moore*

Service *9 19 14*

Number *207757*

INSTRUCTIONS.

This form may be used for original pension under Act of April 19, 1908.

Declaration and testimony in support of same to be executed before some officer of a court of record having custody of its seal, a notary public, justice of the peace, or other officer authorized to administer oaths for general purposes. If such officer is not required by law to have and use a seal, his official character, signature, and term of office must be certified by the proper State, county, or city officer under his official seal, unless such certificate has been filed in the Bureau of Pensions for general reference.

AUG 17 1908  
DIVISION NO. 1

AUG 17 1910  
DIVISION NO. 1

## AN ACT

To increase the pension of widows, minor children, and so forth, of deceased soldiers and sailors of the late civil war, the war with Mexico, the various Indian wars, and so forth, and to grant a pension to certain widows of the deceased soldiers and sailors of the late civil war.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That from and after the passage of this Act the rate of pension for widows, minor children under the age of sixteen years, and helpless minors as defined by existing laws, now on the roll or hereafter to be placed on the pension roll and entitled to receive a less rate than hereinafter provided, shall be twelve dollars per month; and nothing herein shall be construed to affect the existing allowance of two dollars per month for each child under the age of sixteen years and for each helpless child; and all Acts or parts of Acts, inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed: *Provided, however,* That this Act shall not be so construed as to reduce any pension under any Act, public or private.

SEC. 2. That if any officer or enlisted man who served ninety days or more in the Army or Navy of the United States during the late civil war, and who has been honorably discharged therefrom, has died, or shall hereafter die, leaving a widow, such widow shall, upon due proof of her husband's death, without proving his death to be the result of his army or navy service, be placed on the pension roll from the date of the filing of her application therefor under this Act at the rate of twelve dollars per month during her widowhood, provided that said widow shall have married said soldier or sailor prior to June twenty-seventh, eighteen hundred and ninety; and the benefits of this section shall include those widows whose husbands, if living, would have a pensionable status under the Joint Resolutions of February fifteenth, eighteen hundred and ninety-five; July first, nineteen hundred and two, and June twenty-eighth, nineteen hundred and six.

SEC. 3. That no claim agent or attorney shall be recognized in the adjudication of claims under the first section of this Act, and that no agent, attorney, or other person engaged in preparing, presenting, or prosecuting any claim under the provisions of the second section of this Act shall, directly or indirectly, contract for, demand, receive, or retain for such services in preparing, presenting, or prosecuting such claim a sum greater than ten dollars, which sum shall be payable only upon the order of the Commissioner of Pensions by the pension agent making payment of the pension allowed; and any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this section, or who shall wrongfully withhold from the pensioner or claimant the whole or any part of a pension or claim allowed or due such pensioner or claimant under this Act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall, for each and every such offense, be fined not exceeding five hundred dollars or be imprisoned at hard labor not exceeding two years, or both, in the discretion of the court.

Approved April 19, 1908.

6-1182



## Proof of marriage

- Official Govt. Record
- Church Record
- Affidavit from someone who witnessed the event
- Family Record

STATE OF KENTUCKY, }  
JEFFERSON COUNTY. } Sect.

**BE IT REMEMBERED**

That heretofore, to-wit: on the 13<sup>th</sup>  
day of May, 1875, John H. Moore  
obtained from the Clerk of the County Court, within and for the State and  
County aforesaid, a license to marry Aunie Duncan  
and that they were married by J. M. Weaver  
at Louisville, Ky. on the 13<sup>th</sup>  
day of May, 1875 in the presence of  
Benj. Duncan and John Howard  
all of which appears upon the Marriage Register on file in my office as Clerk  
of said Court.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, and that the foregoing is truly and  
completely copied from the Register aforesaid, I hereunto set my  
hand and affix the Seal of said Court, of which I am the custodian,  
at Louisville, Kentucky, this

26<sup>th</sup> day of February 1878  
Wm. B. Duncan Clerk  
JEFFERSON COUNTY COURT, KENTUCKY.

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## Proof of marriage

- Official Govt. Record
- Church Record
- Affidavit from someone who witnessed the event
- Family Record

CERTIFIED COPY OF MARRIAGE.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }  
COUNTY OF SAGINAW. } SS.

I, E. C. Humphrey, Clerk of the County of Saginaw, and of the Circuit Court thereof, the same being a court of record having a seal, do hereby certify that the following is a copy of the record of marriage of Russell Rynier and Sarah H. Norton now remaining in my office, and of the whole thereof, viz:

RECORD NUMBER	DATE OF LICENSE			FULL NAME OF BRIDEGROOM AND BRIDE AND MAIDEN NAME OF BRIDE IF A WIDOW	Age of each in Years	White, Black, Mulatto, Etc.	RESIDENCE OF EACH	BIRTHPLACE OF EACH	OCCUPATION OF EACH	NAME OF FATHER OF EACH
	Month	Day	Year							
4783	July	2	1894	Russell Rynier Sarah H. Norton et al	72 57	st "	St Charles "	New York Michigan	Justice Ret Home	Just Rynier E. C. Cole

MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER OF EACH	TIMES PREVIOUSLY MARRIED	DATE OF MARRIAGE			PLACE OF MARRIAGE	NAME AND OFFICIAL STATION OF PERSON BY WHOM MARRIED	WITNESS TO MARRIAGE	
		Month	Day	Year			NAMES	RESIDENCES
R. Cross	Three times	July	7	1894	St Charles	P. J. Knight Chapman	Samuel Schuyler Mrs M Schuyler	St Charles "

Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Circuit Court, the 23rd day of October, A. D. 1912

E. C. Humphrey, Clerk.



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## Affidavit as to Marriage

Step-daughter's relates family history – 1<sup>st</sup> marriage; 2<sup>nd</sup> marriage

STATE OF INDIANA, )  
PUTNAM COUNTY. ) SS :

Mrs. Nettie Stanley being sworn on oath says that she is a resident of Putnam County, Indiana. That she is a daughter of John W. Moore, late of said County and State, by his first marriage. That the said John W. Moore was married, prior to his marriage with his surviving widow Anna Moore, to the mother of this Affiant whose maiden name was Jennie Coulter. That the said Jennie Moore, first wife of the said John W. Moore and mother of this Affiant, died about the year 1873 when this Affiant was about nine years of age. That the said first wife of the said John W. Moore died at Terre Haute, Indiana. That the father of this Affiant, John W. Moore was married to Anna Moore whose maiden name was Anna Duncan in about the year 1875. That the said John W. Moore died at Greencastle, Indiana on July 25 th., 1910 and left surviving him his widow the said Anna Moore. That the said Anna Moore widow of the said John W. Moore has not remarried since the said death of the said John W. Moore. That this Affiant has no interest in the prosecution of the claim for pension by the said Anna Moore.

Further affiant says not.

*Mrs. Nettie Stanley*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 15<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1910.

*Geo. M. Wilson*

My Commission expires, 24, 1913. NOTARY PUBLIC

PENSION  
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OFFICE



## Affidavit as to Marriage

- Friend of neighbor
- Hold themselves out as husband & wife?
- Accepted as husband & wife by the community?
- Widow has not remarried

STATE OF INDIANA, )  
 ) SS :  
 PUTNAM COUNTY. )

James McAlHays, being sworn on oath says that he is  
71 years of age and now resides in the City of Greencastle, Indiana and has  
 resided in said City for the last past 57 years. That he is and has been  
 intimately acquainted with one John W. Moore and his wife Anna Moore for the last  
 past 30 years. That the said John W. Moore died at said City on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1910 and left surviving him his widow the said Anna Moore. That the  
 said John W. Moore and the said Anna Moore were husband and wife when they first  
 came to said City and this Affiant became acquainted with them in about the year  
 1876. That the said Anna Moore widow of the said John W. Moore has not remarried  
 since the death of her said husband. That this Affiant has no interest in  
 the prosecution of a claim for pension by the said Anna Moore.  
 Further Affiant says not.

James M. O'Hays

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 9<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1910.

Geo. M. Wilson

My Commission expires, 5/4, 1913 NOTARY PUBLIC.



# Proof that Property is not valuable

- What is owned
- Where it is owned
- Valuation for tax purposes

STATE OF OHIO, } ss. Certificate of Property Assessment.  
County of Highland (Law of June 27, 1890.)

In the pension claim of Margaret Stillwell  
widow of John Stillwell

I, James Reese, Auditor of Highland  
(Name of Officer.) (Official Designation.)  
County, in the State of Ohio, do hereby certify that I have carefully examined the  
Records of Assessments of real and personal property in and for said County, and  
of which I am the lawful custodian, and find the assessments and valuation  
therein recorded against property standing in the name of John Stillwell  
deceased for the year 1897, to be as follows, to-wit:

REAL ESTATE.	DESCRIPTION.	Value. Dollars.
	10 acres of land in White Oak Twp Highland County, Ohio Not valued	\$30
Personal Property,		\$



And I further certify that the above are all the assessments that appear on duplicate at the present time.

Except 1 dog charged to Margaret  
Stillwell

And I further certify that I have no interest in this claim for pension and that I am not concerned in its prosecution.

Witness my hand and official seal this 16 day of



August A. D. 1897.

James Reese Auditor  
(Official Signature of Officer.)



## Accrued Pension

- Owed to soldier at time of his death
- Payable to widow (or heirs) upon request

### Widow's Application for Accrued Pension.

(DUE PENSIONER AT DATE OF HIS DEATH.)

State of Michigan County of Oceana ss:  
 ON THIS 12th day of December, A. D. 1925, personally appeared  
Phoebe Ellen Slocum, who, being duly sworn, declares that she is the lawful widow of  
Lucius Slocum, who served in Co. H, 1 Reg't.,  
Mich. Lts. Art. Vols.; that he died on the 3 day of December, 1925,  
 that he was a pensioner of the United States by Certificate No. 33457  
 which is herewith returned (or if not, state why) The Commandant at the Soldier's Home  
in Grand Rapids, Mich. has the certificate.  
 and that the last payment of his pension was made on the 4th day of November, 1925, after  
 which date he had not been employed or paid in the Army, Navy or Marine service of the United States.  
 That she was married to the said pensioner on the 10th day of April, 1868  
 at Corunna, in the State of Michigan  
 That her name before marriage was Phoebe Ellen Rhodes  
 That the pensioner was not previously married  
Here state whether the soldier had been previously married, and if so, give the name and date of death or divorce of the former wife.  
 That she was not previously married  
Here state whether you had been previously married, and if so, give the name and date of death or divorce of your former husband.  
 That she hereby makes application to obtain the pension which had accrued to her husband at the date of  
 his death.

That she hereby appoints with full power of substitution and revocation, as her true and lawful attorney,

**JOHN W. MORRIS, OF WASHINGTON, D. C.**

to prosecute said claim.

That her post-office address is Hart, Mich.  
Including number and street, or number of R. F. D. route, if any. If none, so state.

County of Oceana State of Michigan

Byron May Phoebe Ella Slocum  
Grandchild  
 Signature of claimant  
Two persons who can write must sign here.

THE PENSION CERTIFICATE SHOULD BE FORWARDED WITH THIS APPLICATION.



## Accrued Pension

- Owed to soldier at time of his death
- Payable to widow (or heirs) upon request
- “Action sheet” shown here indicating action taken on the request

3-438.

**ACCRUED PENSION.**

Act of March 2, 1895.

*Civil War*  
**EASTERN** Division.

*new Indpls.*  
*2 Brief*

✓ Certificate No. *207,457* ✓ Last issue *February 11, 1892*

✓ Pensioner, *John W. Moore* ✓ Act *June 27, 1901*

✓ Date of death, *July 25, 1910*

✓ Claimant, *Anna Moore widow*

*Greencastle*

*Putnam County*

*Indiana*

✓ Certificate *not* filed

✓ Attorney, *none*

✓ Fee, *9* Agent to pay.

✓ P. O.,

✓ Articles filed

Submitted *September 7, 1910*, *Junkins*, Examiner.

**BOARD OF REVIEW.**

Approved for *Submission*

*Pay to the widow as above*

*M. L. Roberts*, Reviewer, *Sept 8, 1910*

*W. W. Van Loan*, Rereviewer, *Sept 8, 1910*

M. C., Claimant *\_\_\_\_\_* writes.

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“Dropped” card

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PENSIONER DROPPED

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF PENSIONS

MAR 15 1917

191

CET

Certificate No. 708353

Class ACT OF APRIL 19, 1908.

Pensioner Anna Moore

Soldier John W.

Service \_\_\_\_\_

The Commissioner of Pensions.

Sir:

I have the honor to report that the name of  
the above-described pensioner who was last  
paid at \$ 12, to NOV 4 - 1916,  
has this day been dropped from the roll be-  
cause of death Jan 23 - 1917

Very respectfully,

Wm. H. H. H. H.  
Chief, Finance Division.

NOTE.—Every name dropped to be thus reported at  
once, and when cause of dropping is death, state date  
of death when known. 6-2249





## Dropped – Finance Division notified

MAR 13 1917

To the Chief, Finance Division:

You are hereby notified that check # 3622770 for \$ 36

dated FEB - 4 1917

in favor of ANNA MOORE  
post-office

TAMPA FLA

Certificate # 708353

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Class ACT APR 19 1908

Section 5 has been returned to this office by the Postmaster

with the information that the pensioner died

and said check has this day been canceled.

Very respectfully,

GUY O. TAYLOR,

Disbursing Clerk.

(D-3)

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RETURN

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## Daughter's letter regarding widow's death

- Wants to know if she  
can get last check for  
widow's funeral  
expenses

5 Apr 1917 Tampa Fla.  
March 8. 1917.  
Department of the Interior  
Bureau of Pensions.  
As my mother's  
death occurred Jan 23. 1917  
I did not call at Post Office  
for the last check issued.  
I thought best to write you  
about it first to see if we  
could have it to apply on  
funeral expenses for which  
we would be very grateful  
as her death occurred here  
and we had to take her back  
to her home in Indiana  
for burial.  
I still have her Certificate





## Minor's Claim

## Appointment of Guardian

- Court Record
- Authority to transact minor's business

Letters of Guardianship.

Printed and Sold by R. H. Finley, Rotunda, Griswold St., Detroit.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, } ss. Probate Court for said County:  
COUNTY OF Livingston }

In the Matter of the Estate of *Alvyn B. Stevens and Naomi M. Stevens*

By *Ira P. Bingham* Judge of the Court of  
Probate within and for the County of *Livingston*  
TO *Beriah G. Smith* of said County, Creating:

Trusting in your care and fidelity, I do, by these presents, pursuant to the power and authority to me granted, constitute and appoint you to be Guardian unto *Alvyn B. Stevens & Naomi M. Stevens*

minor *Alvyn* the age of fourteen years *children* of *Harvey R. Stevens* deceased,  
late of *Tyrom* in right  
with full power and authority to ask, sue for, recover, receive and take into your custody, all and singular the Real Estate, goods and chattels, rights and credits which accrue to *them* of *their father*

or which by any other way or means whatsoever, doth of right appertain or belong to *them* and you are to make a true and perfect inventory thereof, and return the same in the Probate Court for the said County of *Livingston* on or before the *fifth* day of *November* next ensuing; and you are to dispose of, manage, employ and improve the same according to law, and for the best interest of the said ward; and within one year from the date hereof, and at such other times as the Judge of Probate shall decree, you are to render, on oath, into the Probate Office of said County, a true account of the property of the said ward in your hands, of the proceeds of all the Real Estate that may be sold by you, and of the management and disposition of such property; and at the expiration of your trust you are to settle your accounts with the Judge of Probate, for the time being, or with the said ward or legal representatives; and to pay over and deliver all the estate and effects remaining in your hands, and due from you on such settlement, to the person or persons who shall be lawfully entitled thereto, or otherwise, as the said Judge by his decree or sentence, pursuant to law, shall order and direct, and do such other acts as the law in that behalf shall require.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the said Court of Probate.

*Sealed* Dated at *Novell* the *fifth* day of *August* 1905  
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *forty* five

Recorded in Lib. Fol. *Ira P. Bingham*  
Judge of Probate



# Dependent Mother's, Father's, or Sister's Claim

## Declaration Needs to Provide Evidence of

- Marriage to other parent
- Birth of Soldier Son
- Poor
- Dependent upon son for support
- Who are/were their other children

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT. FILL IN AT CROSSES X.

State of Michigan County of Genesee ss:  
In pension claim No. 247,379 of Betsy Woodcock, mother  
of George Ryness Co. D 29 Reg't Mich Vols.

Personally appeared before me, a Notary Public in and for the aforesaid County, duly  
authorized to administer oaths, George A. McFail aged 37 years, whose Post  
Office address is Clis. Genesee Co. Mich. and  
Eleanor McFail, aged 59 years, a resident  
of Clis. Michigan, well known  
to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declared in relation to aforesaid case as  
follows:

WE are well acquainted with said Betsy Woodcock,  
and remember the fact of her marrying one  
Henry Woodcock, on about day of April,  
1868, we do not remember the exact date but  
remember it was about that time, and we have  
seen her family record, in her Bible, and have  
every reason to believe that that is the correct date  
of said marriage, said Henry Woodcock was an  
old man about seventy years of age at the time  
of said marriage, and lived with her until his death which  
occurred about 1877, during the period of said cohabita-  
tion said husband was feeble & physically unable to  
do manual labor, and had no property whatever, and  
she could not & did not depend upon said husband  
for support, and we knew them intimately during  
said period as neighbors. - And we know that  
her name prior to said marriage was Betsy  
Ryness. We further know that the mother of  
said soldier, said Betsy has been a hard working  
woman during our acquaintance, that  
she is now nearly totally blind, has to be led to  
her meals, can scarcely distinguish bright sun  
light. She has never re-married since the  
death of Henry Woodcock; that she was  
in the County Poor House for about eighteen  
months just prior to September, 1887. And is  
now entirely dependent upon charity. And  
she has never had any property during our ac-  
quaintance with her.

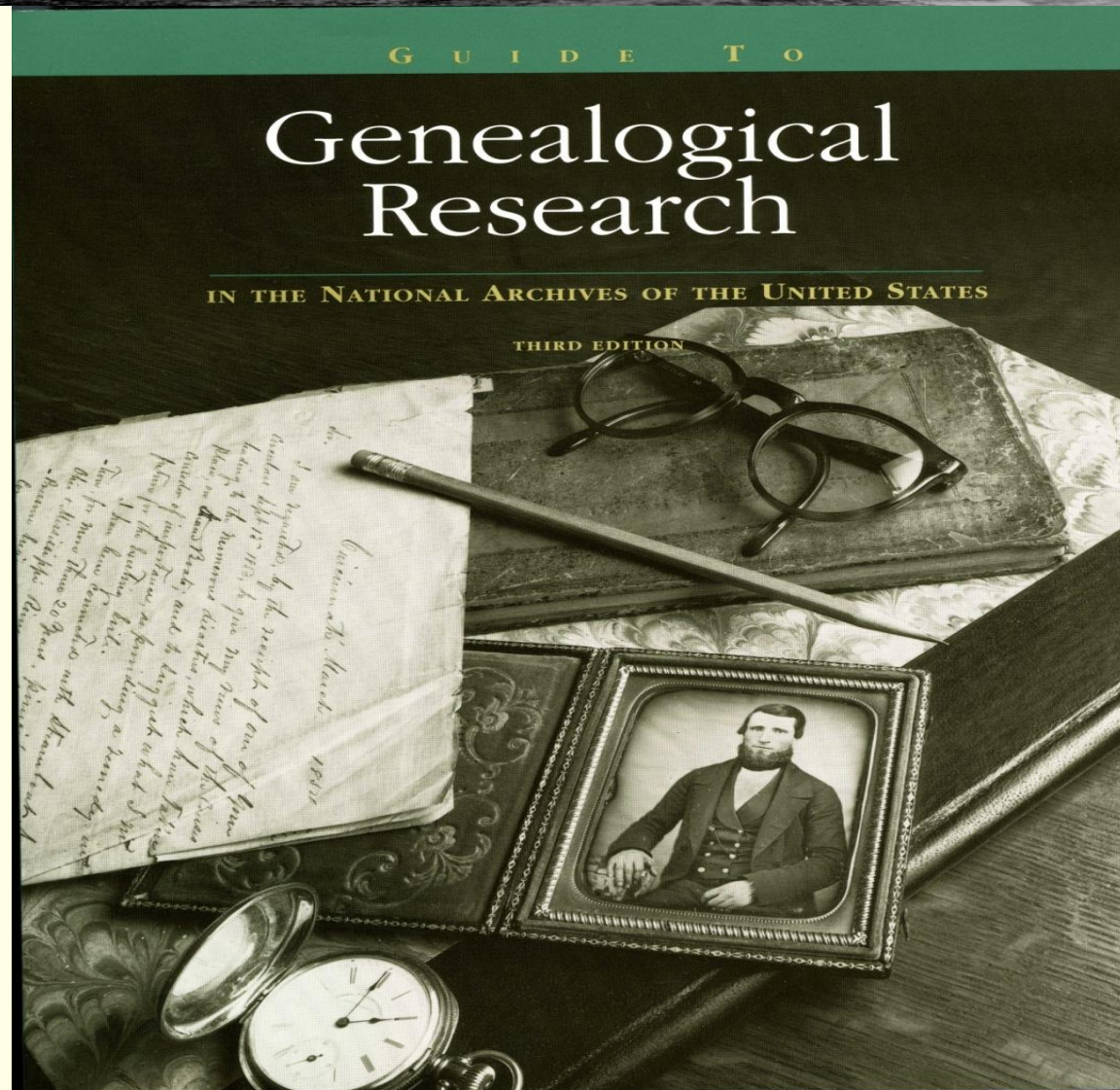
WE further declare that WE have no interest in said case and are not concerned in its prosecution.

George A. McFail  
Eleanor McFail

(If affiant sign by mark, two persons who can write sign here.)



More information  
about genealogically  
useful records in the  
National Archives





# Thank You!

National Archives

[www.archives.gov/research/genealogy/index.html](http://www.archives.gov/research/genealogy/index.html)

Civil War Records (information about)

[www.archives.gov/research/military/civil-war/resources.html](http://www.archives.gov/research/military/civil-war/resources.html)

Footnote.com (digitized pension records and T289 index)

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