

# Neighbor's Affidavit.

NOTE.—This should be sworn to before a CLERK of the COURT or his DEPUTY, or any NOTARY PUBLIC or JUSTICE of the PEACE, provided if executed before a Notary or Justice, the certificate of the court must be attached unless the Notary or Justice has a certificate already on file in the Pension Office. In such case the Notary or Justice must state that such certificate is on file. Neglect to comply with this requirement will cause trouble and delay.

STATE OF Wisconsin  
COUNTY OF Vernon } SS.

NOTE.—For testimony of employers or near neighbors of soldier, (other than relatives) who have known him before his enlistment or since his discharge and return from the army.

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### INSTRUCTIONS. Read Carefully.

The witnesses must state:

1st. Their respective ages and occupations; the length of time they have known the soldier, and in what year or years of the said period they have employed, worked with, or for, him, or lived in the same neighborhood with him.

2nd. If they knew him before his enlistment, what his physical condition was at the time, and that he was then sound and free from disability, and especially free from the diseases which caused the soldier's death—naming the disease.

3rd. If they have employed, or worked with, the soldier since his return from the army, they should state where it was and at what business, or if they have known him as neighbors only, they should state about what distance from him they lived; how frequently, on an average, each week month or year, they saw him and conversed with him, and how intimate they were with him during this time, and from what disease or disability he has suffered during all the time they employed him, worked with him, or lived near him and how severely; whether at any time during this period he was obliged to stop work, was confined to his bed or house, or was wholly unable to do any manual labor because of his alleged disabilities, and give dates as near as recollected when such attacks occurred and how long they lasted, and how severe they were. In this connection, if the witnesses have been his employers, or have worked with or for the soldier, they should state about what proportion of a sound able-bodied man's work he was able to do—whether one-fourth, one-third, one-half, two-thirds, three-fourths, or as the case may have been; what his actual earnings were, and whether or not the wages paid him were less in amount, and how much less on account of his inability to labor, than were paid to others physically sound and doing the same kind of work. They should

In the matter of \_\_\_\_\_ Claim No. 728 828  
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ON THIS 5th day of November, A. D. 1869, personally appeared  
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administer oaths, J. M. Hill, aged 60 years, a resident  
of Retreat, in the County of Vernon and State of  
Wisconsin, whose post-office address is Retreat Vernon Co Wis.

well known to me to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declares in relation to the aforesaid case as follows: That I have been well and personally acquainted with Francis B. White for 38 years, He learned his trade {Blacksmith} with me in Ohio before the war. He was sound to all appearances when he enlisted and being with him so much I would have known if he was in any way unsound, and especially he was free from Chronic Diarrhea. Immediately after his return from the Army - in 1866 - he went into partnership with me in Blacksmith and staid together for about 8 years, since that time I have lived in same neighborhood and have seen him after as my work since while we were together he was troubled with Chronic Diarrhea - and many days he would have to quit work on account of the same to piles - He was disabled

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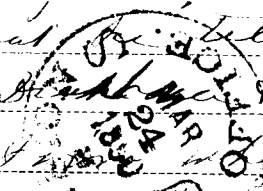
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and he and I together three years—he went to

farming after that and from what he tells me and  
he says he complains—about the  
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he further declares that he no interest in said case and not concerned in its prosecution.

J. M. Hill

[If affiants sign by mark, two persons who can write sign here.]

[Signatures of affiants.]

State of Wisconsin County of Vernon ss:

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day by the above-named affiant, and I certify that I read said affidavit to said affiant, including the words,

erased, and the words added

and acquainted him with its contents before he executed the same.

I further certify that I am in nowise interested in said case, nor am I concerned in its prosecution; and that said affiant is

personally known to me, and that he is a credible person.

S. A. McAllen

[Official signature.]

Notary Public

[Official Character.]

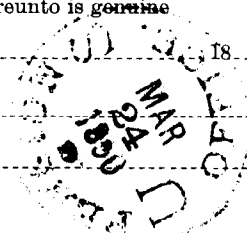
[L. S.] *Notary Public on file*

I, Clerk of the County Court in and for aforesaid County and State, do certify that Esq., who hath 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 18

[L. S.]

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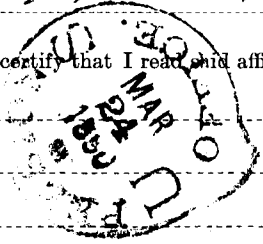
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[Official signature.]

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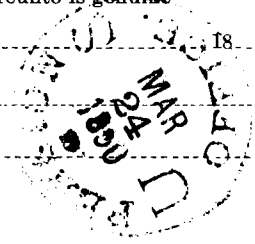
*[L.S.]* *testify on file*

I, \_\_\_\_\_, Clerk of the County Court in and for aforesaid County and State, do certify that \_\_\_\_\_, Esq., who hath 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 \_\_\_\_\_ 18\_\_\_\_

[L. S.]

Clerk of the \_\_\_\_\_

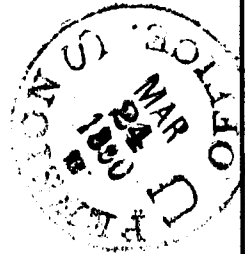


Additional Evidence

CLAIM OF  
*James B. White*

AFFIDAVIT OF  
*J. M. Hill*

No. \_\_\_\_\_



FILED BY CLAIMANT'S ATTORNEY,  
CHARLES J. ALDEN,  
U. S. PENSION CLAIM AGENT  
AND WAR CLAIM ATTORNEY,  
La Crosse, Wis.