CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION FOR ENLISTED SLAVE.

No. [redacted]

I, Lucy C. Wiseman, a loyal citizen, and a resident of St. Joseph County of Buchanan State of Missouri hereby claim compensation, under the provisions of Section 24, Act approved February 24, 1864, and Section 2, Act approved July 28, 1866, for my Slave, Albert ~~Washington~~ Bernard enlisted about July 24th 1863 at Schofield barracks by Capt. Kilcaid St Louis in the fifty-sixth Regiment U. S. Colored Troops, Co. D. certificate of which enlistment, and a descriptive list, as required, accompanying this application.

In proof of my loyalty to the Constitution and Government of the United States, I present the accompanying oath, which I have taken, signed and acknowledged; to be filed with this application, in accordance with requirement of General Order No. 329, 1863, War Department, Adjutant General's Office.

Lucy C. Wiseman.

November 14 1866

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE.

I Lucy C. Wiseman the owner and claimant, do solemnly swear that the foregoing claim is a just and true claim due to me as ~~master~~ owner and owner of the said slave, and that the facts alleged in said claim in respect to the enlistment of said slave into the military service of the United States, are true, And I do further swear that I have never joined, *or been concerned in any insurrection* or rebellion: *that I have never borne arms* against the United States: *that I have never given any aid, countenance, counsel or encouragement* to any person or persons engaged or whom I had reason to believe were about to engage, in insurrection, rebellion or armed hostility *against the United States;* that I have neither sought, nor accepted, nor attempted to exercise the functions of any office, civil or military, nor to perform any service whatever under any authority, or pretended authority, in hostility to the United States: that I have not yielded a voluntary support to any insurrection, rebellion or pretended government, authority, power or constitution within the United States, hostile thereto. And I do further swear that, to the best of my knowledge and ability, I have supported and defended, and will continue to support and defend, the United States, *against all enemies, foreign and domestic, and that I have supported, defended and obeyed, and will continue to support, defend and obey, the Constitution and laws of the United States,* that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; and that I take this oath freely, without any mental reservation or evasion. So help me God. Lucy C. Wiseman

Sworn to and subscribed before me, at St. Joseph Mo.

this 14th day of November 1866

Frances E Carter
Notary Public

(Affidavits of disinterested loyal parties will be required to prove the active loyalty of claimant during the war.)

War Department,

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Washington, March 9th 1867.

Respectfully returned to the Commission for the State of Missouri, with the information that Albert Bernard was enlisted at St Louis Mo. July 24th 1863, and was mustered in as Pvt. in Co. D. 5th U. S. C. I. Augt 12/63.

W. 2203 Inc.

A. Townsend

Asst. Adj't General.

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2, Act approved July 28, 1866.

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CERTIFICATE OF AWARD OF THE BOARD OF CLAIMS.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF CLAIMS,

For Slaves Enlisted or Drafted in the service of the United States.

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We hereby certify that _____ of _____ county, State of _____ having proved, under oath _____ loyalty to the Constitution and Government of the United States, and established _____ title as to the ownership of _____ a slave _____ and mustered at _____ on the _____ day of _____ 186__ by _____ in the service of the United States, in the _____ regiment of Colored Troops, Co. _____ the sum of _____ dollars has been awarded to _____ by this Board, subject to the approval of the Secretary of War, as a compensation for the said slave, under provisions of Section 24, Act approved February 24, 1864, and Section 2, Act approved July 28, 1866.

_____ *President of the Board,*

_____ *Member of the Board,*

_____ *Member of the Board,*

To _____

Chief of the Bureau for the Organization of Colored Troops,

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Lucy C. Wiseman claimant for compensation under the Acts of Congress of February 24th, 1864, and July 28th, 1866, for Albert Bernard a slave, who was enlisted into the military service of the United States, upon the about 26th July day of 1862, having been duly sworn declares that at the date of the enlistment of said Albert Bernard as aforesaid, and as more fully set forth in her application, she was the lawful owner of said Albert Bernard and obtained her title to him in the following manner; (1)

By inheritance from her father Joseph P. Wiseman who died in the year 1851 in the City of St. Louis Mo. upon whose estate James H. Robinson was administered letters of administration having been taken out in Montgomery county Missouri by the said Robinson In witness whereof the said Lucy C. Wiseman who is now twenty one years old has hereto set her hand

(2) Lucy C. Wiseman

James H. Robinson and Eliza A. Overall having been duly sworn, declare that they are personally acquainted with Lucy C. Wiseman the claimant for compensation for her slave Albert Bernard under the Acts of Congress of February 24th, 1864, and July 28, 1866, and know that said Albert Bernard at the date of his enlistment into the military service of the United States, and for fifteen years previous thereto was the slave of said Lucy C. Wiseman They also declare that they have no interest in said claim.

(3) James H. Robinson
Eliza A. Overall

James H. Robinson and Eliza A. Overall having first been duly sworn, upon their oaths declare that they reside respectively in St. Joseph county of Buchanan State of Missouri and county of State of ; that they are personally acquainted with Lucy C. Wiseman claimant for compensation for her slave Albert Bernard under the Acts of Congress of February 24, 1864, and July 28, 1866, and that they know that said claimant has firmly and faithfully maintained her allegiance and adherence to the Government of the United States, by defending its cause against the Government of the so-called Confederate States of America, in all suitable and practicable ways, and according to her ability. They also swear that they have themselves maintained a like adherence and allegiance to the Government of the United States, and that they have no interest in said claim.

(4) James H. Robinson
Eliza A. Overall

And the said Lucy C. Wiseman claimant further declares that in consideration of valuable services rendered and to be rendered, her hath and doth employ and constitute, as her Attorney, **JAMES CRAIG, of Saint Joseph, Missouri,** to prosecute her claim for compensation which may be awarded to her as owner of said slave, by the Acts of Congress in that regard, before the Board of Claims appointed for the State of Missouri

for the adjustment of such claims, before the Departments at Washington, D. C., where the same may become necessary, and elsewhere, and in her name, place and stead, for her and in her name to ask, demand, recover and receive such compensation as may be awarded as aforesaid, hereby giving and granting unto her said Attorney full power and authority to do and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises as full and to all intents and purposes the same as she might or could do were she personally present, hereby ratifying and confirming all her said Attorney or his substitutes by his appointment shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof; and it is understood and agreed that this power of Attorney cannot be revoked by her without the consent of her Attorney herein appointed.

(1) Lucy C. Wiseman

State of Missouri } ss.
County of Buchanan }



On this 14th day of November 1866, personally appeared before me Lucius E. Carter a Notary Public in and for the county and State aforesaid Lucy C. Wiseman the claimant above mentioned, and made oath to the foregoing statement by her subscribed, and she further acknowledged the signing and sealing of the foregoing Power of Attorney to be her own free binding act, for the purposes and objects therein contained and set forth: and at the same time also personally appeared the above named James A. Robinson and Eliza A. Arnold and made oath to the truth of the statements by them respectively subscribed.

WITNESS, My hand and seal, upon the day and date first above written.

[SEAL]



(6) Lucius E Carter
Notary Public
Buchanan County
Mo

INSTRUCTIONS.

(1) State all the circumstances connected with obtaining title—when, where and how.
(2) Signature of claimant.
(3) Signatures of witnesses to ownership.
(4) Signatures of witnesses to loyalty.
(5) Signature of claimant.
(6) Signature of Notary Public or Clerk of Court, authenticated by seal.

If title is by *purchase*, state date of bill of sale, and where recorded. When possible, file the bill of sale. If title is by inheritance, state when and from whom the slave was inherited, and where the will is recorded or the administrator was appointed.
If claimant is a trustee, executor or administrator, he must show by the record, proof that he is such.
Where the same party claims compensation for more than one slave, he must file a separate claim for each.

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JAMES CRAIG,
ST. JOSEPH, MO.,
Attorney for Claimant.

For Compensation for Service of Slave.

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