CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION FOR ENLISTED SLAVE.

No 1

I, a loyal citizen, Jno W. Martin and a resident of DeKalb 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 Greenup Hays enlisted July the eleventh (11th) 1863 at Fort Leavenworth Kansas by 2d Lt under, Captain Saunders in the Kansas Second Regiment U. S. Colored Troops, Co. A ; 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.

J W. Martin

DeKalb Mo November 16th 1865

The certificate of Enlistment is misplaced, The discription of My Slave Greenup Hays is as follows. Viz. He was about six (6) feet high Copper Colour Straight, weight genrally about 160 lbs was Some forty four years old when enlisted, Had a blemish in one eye & think the right eye, which had existed from childhood — the eye had a white spot in the sight & could not see much out of that eye.

J W. Martin

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE.

I, John W. Martin the owner and claimant, do solemnly swear that the foregoing claim is a just and true claim due to me as master and owner of the said slave, and that the facts alleged in said claim in respect to 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 purpose of evasion. So help me God.

John W. Martin

Sworn to and subscribed before me, at DeKalb Mo. this Sixteenth day of November 1865

Hiram Roberts
Notary Public

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

War Department,

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Washington, Jan. 2, 1867.

Respectfully returned to the Commission for the State of Missouri, with the information that Greenup Hayes was enlisted at Leavenworth Kans July 12, 1863. and was mustered in as Private in Co. "A" 2nd Kans. Cold. Aug. 11, 1863.

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A. Rockwell

B.A.G.

A. A. G.

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ENDORSEMENT.

No. 1111 K

APPLICATION OF

J. W. Martin

OF

Fort Leavenworth, Kansas

for compensation for service of slave

Greenup Hays

enlisted July 11th 1863

in A Co. 2nd Kansas Regiment,

U. S. Colored Troops.

Received November 19th 1866

Compensation awarded,

186

Dollars.

President Board of Claims.

P. O. Address of Applicant:

De Kalb, Buchanan Co Mo

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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.

R. W. Murray *Member of the Board.*

To

Chief of the Bureau for the Organization of Colored Troops, Washington, D. C.

I John W Martin claimant for compensation for Grumps Hays slave, under the Acts of Congress of February 24th, 1864, and July 28th, 1866, having been duly sworn, declares that at the date of the Enlistment of said Slave Grumps Hayo into the military service of the United States, he was the lawful owner of said Slave Grumps Hays and obtained his title to him in the following manner (1):

I Bought him (the Slave Grumps Hays) from Mrs J[illegible] H Armstrong Admr. of A H. Armstrong (Decd) in Fayette County Kentucky near Lexington on the 17th day of April 1854, The Bill of sale is not recorded but I still have it in my possession, I paid the sum of Nine Hundred & fifty dollars for Grumps Hays.

I Purchased the Slave at his request as I owned his wife and children, and moved from Kentucky to Missouri, and did not desire to separate them, and at the same time Knew the Man to be healthy, and faithful & Trusty.

(2) J W. Martin.

William L. Harlow and John Taylor

having been duly sworn, declare that they are personally acquainted with Dr John W. Martin the claimant for compensation for one Slave Grumps Hays under the Acts of Congress of February 24th, 1864, and July 28th, 1866, and know that said Slave Grumps Hays at the date of his enlistment into the military service of the United States, and for Eight or Nine years previous thereto, was the slave of said John W. Martin. They also declare that they have no interest in said claim.

(3) William L. Harlow

John Taylor

Capt Peter A. Jones and Jasper Wilson

having first been sworn, upon their oaths declare, that they reside, respectively, in Near DeKalb County of Buchanan State of Missouri and Near DeKalb County of Buchanan, State of Missouri that they are personally acquainted with Dr. John W. Martin claimant for compensation for one Slave Grumps Hays under the Acts of Congress of February 24th, 1864, and July 28th, 1866. And that they know that said "claimant has firmly and faithfully maintained his 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 his ability;" they also swear that they have themselves maintained a like allegiance and adherence to the Government of the United States, and that they have no interest in said claim.

(4) Peter A. Jones late Capt Co A 51st Ill mo vols

Jasper Wilson { per W. L. H

STATE OF Missouri } ss.
COUNTY OF Buchanan }

DeKalb Mo. November 16th 1865.

Personally appeared the above named William L Harlow and John Taylor Capt Peter A. Jones & Jasper Wilson and John W. Martin and made oath to the truth of the foregoing statements, by them respectively subscribed.

(5) Hiram Roberts
Notary Public

Fayette County Ky April 17th 1854

I have this day sold and delivered to Dr J W Martin a negro man named Green aged about thirty four years for the sum of Nine hundred and fifty dollars the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged - I warrant said man Green to be sound in mind and body and a slave for life - Witness my hand the day and date above written

Jane Armstrong
Administratrix of A H Armstrong decd

Armstrong
To
Martin

Bill of
Sale
Green

INSTRUCTIONS.

1. State all the circumstances connected with obtaining title—when, where, and how.
2. Signature of Claimant.
3. Signature of Witnesses to Ownership.
4. Signature of Witnesses to Loyalty.
5. 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. Where possible, file the bill. 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 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 one.

No. 1 &c.

AFFIDAVITS OF OWNERSHIP AND LOYALTY,

in the Application of

for Compensation of Service

of Slave.