Claim for Compensation for Enlisted Slaves.

No. .....

I, Josephine Roberts, a loyal citizen, and a resident of Clay County and 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 Anthony Roberts enlisted September 15 1863, at Leavenworth Kansas by Lt Rafferty in the 83rd (2 Kansas) Regiment, United States colored troops, Company "I", ~~certificate of which enlistment, and a descriptive list, as required, accompany 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 Orders, No. 329, 1863, War Department, Adjutant General's Office.

State of Clay County Mo.,
November 19th 1866.

Josephine Roberts

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE.

I, Josephine Roberts, 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 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 voluntary support to any insurrection, rebellion, or pretended Government, 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.

Sworn to and Subscribed before me, this 19th day of November, A. D. 1866.

David D. Mellen
Notary Public

Josephine Roberts

Certificate of Award of the Board of Claims.

Office of the Board of Claims,

FOR SLAVES, ENLISTED OR DRAFTED INTO THE SERVICE OF THE U. S.

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We hereby Certify, that ..... of ..... County, State of Missouri, 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, Company ....., 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 the provisions of Section 24, Act approved February 24, 1864, and Section 2, Act approved July 28, 1866.

..... *President of the Board.*

..... *Member* " "

..... *Member* " "

To .....

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

No. 409

APPLICATION OF

Delphine Roberts

OF

Liberty, Clay Co. Mo.

for compensation for service of slave Anthony Roberts enlisted Sept. 15, 1863, in Co. "D", 83d Reg't Mo. Col'd Inf'y.

Received ..... 186 .

Compensation awarded 186

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..... *President Board of Com.*

P. O. ADDRESS OF CLAIMANT:

Liberty, Clay Co. Mo.

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War Department,

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Washington, April 6 1867.

Respectfully returned to the Commission for the State of Missouri, with the information that Anthony Roberts was enlisted at Lexington Mo. Sept 15 1863, and was mustered in as Private Co. D 83d U.S.C.I. Sept 15 1863.

By order of the Secretary of War

E. D. Townsend

Asst. Adj't General.

State of Missouri, }
County of Clay } ss.

ON THIS 19th day of November A. D., 1866 personally appeared before me, the subscriber, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, Josephine Roberts to me well known, who having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says, that one Anthony Roberts for whom said Josephine Roberts claims compensation under the Acts of Congress, approved February 24, 1864, and July 28, 1866, was, at the date of the Enlistment of said Anthony Roberts into the military service of the United States, the slave of, and lawfully owned by this claimant; that this claimant obtained Her title to him in the following manner, (1) Anthony Roberts Was born the slave of my father and I as one of his heirs at law inherited said slave and received him as a part of my distributive share of the Estate of my said deceased father

Josephine Roberts
(Signature of Claimant.)

At the same time and place personally appeared and Peter Hayden a Colored man whom I certify to be credible persons and who are citizens and bona fide residents of John W. Drew Clay County, State of Missouri and who, having been duly sworn according to law, depose and say that they are personally acquainted with Josephine Roberts, the claimant for compensation for one Anthony Roberts under the Acts of Congress, approved February 24, 1864, and July 28, 1866, and know that said Anthony Roberts at the date of his Enlistment into the military service of the United States, and for Twenty years previous thereto was the slave of and owned by said Josephine Roberts and they further swear that they have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution or result of this claim.

attest
Thomas McCarty

Peter his Hayden
mark
John W Drew
(Signatures of Witnesses.)

At the same time and place personally appeared and William G. Garth Clayton Tilley whom I certify to be credible persons and who are citizens and bona fide residents of Clay county, State of Missouri and who having been duly sworn according to law depose and say that they are personally acquainted with Josephine Roberts Anthony Roberts the claimant for compensation for one 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 adherence and allegiance to the Government of the United States by defending its cause against the government and forces of the so-called confederate States of America, in all suitable and practicable ways, and according to her ability and opportunity, and affiants also swear that they themselves have maintained a like adherence and allegiance to the Government of the United States, and that they have no interest direct or indirect in the prosecution or result of this claim.

Clayton Tilley
Wm G Garth
(Signatures of Witnesses.)

STATE OF Missouri }
County of Clay } SS:

I A. McGriffith an Officer of the Government of the United States, hereby certify that Josephine Roberts is, and has been all the time during the rebellion, a good citizen and loyal; that she has firmly and faithfully maintained her adherence and allegiance 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, according to her ability and opportunity.

GIVEN under my hand at Liberty in the State and County aforesaid, this 19 day of November, A. D. 186 .

A McGriffith

Post Master Liberty Mo

(Signature of Officer with official designation.)

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Josephine Roberts
claim for
Anthony. Roberts

State of Missouri, }
County of Clay } ss.

ON THIS 19th day of November
1866 personally appeared before me, the undersigned a Notary Public
in and for the county and State aforesaid, the above named Josephine Roberts Claimant
and Peter Hayden John W. Drew Clayton Tillery
and William G. Gaith Witnesses

and being first duly sworn, depose and say that the foregoing statements by them respectfully subscribed are true.
And I further Certify, that I have no interest direct or indirect in the prosecution or result of this claim.

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal of office at Liberty Clay County Mo this 19th day of November A. D., 1866

David P. Wilkes Notary Public

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Josephine Roberts

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Ownership and Loyality.

Josephine Roberts

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INSTRUCTIONS.

(1) State all the circumstances connected with the obtaining of title, and when, where and how. If title is by purchase, state date of bill of sale and where recorded; when 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 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, a separate claim must be filed for each one.