CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION FOR ENLISTED SLAVE.

No.

I, Alfred. W. Hughes, a loyal citizen, and a resident of Weston County of Platte 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, Henry Clay enlisted December 20th 1863 at Carrollton. Missouri by S. H. Harrison Corporal Co. B. 7th Mo Vol in the Sixty fifth (65) 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.

A. W. Hughes

December 1st 1866

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE.

I Alfred. W. Hughes 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 _____ 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.

A. W. Hughes

Sworn to and subscribed before me, at Weston, Platte County, Missouri this First day of December 1866

Witness my hand & official Seal

H. F. Worm Clerk of the Weston Court

Thomson Pleas In & For Platte County Missouri

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



H. 2205.

ENDORSEMENT.

No. 2205

APPLICATION OF

A W Hughes

OF

Platte Co Mo

For compensation for service of Slave

Henry Colay

enlisted Dec 20 1863

in D Co. 65 Regiment,

U. S. Colored Troops,

Received Janry 22 1867

Compensation awarded

_____ 186__

_____ Dollars,

_____

President Board of Claims.

P. O. Address of Applicant,

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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.

_____

_____ 186

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.

No. 2205. Mo.

War Department,

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Washington, Mar 14 1867.

Respectfully returned to the Commission, for the State of Missouri, with the information that Henry Clay was enlisted at Carrollton Mo December 20, 1863 and was mustered in as private in Co "D," 65th U.S.C.T. Dec. 29 1863.

A Baumoeller

Asst. Adj't General.

BAB

COLORED VOLUNTEER DESCRIPTIVE LIST of Henry Clay Colored Volunteers, enlisted in the service of the United States under General Order, No. 135, Head Quarters, Department of the Mo., St. Louis, November 14th, 1863. Claimed to have been the slave of, H W. Hughes a citizen of Platte County, State of Missouri.

Name.	Description.						Where Born.		Occupation.	Enlisted.			
	YEARS OF AGE.	EYES.	HAIR.	COMPLEXION.	FEET.	INCHES.	State.	County.		When.	Where.	By whom.	Period.
Henry Clay	20	Blk	Blk	Yellow	5'	5'	Missouri	Platte	Farmer	Dec 21st	Carrollton	Harrison	3 yrs

REMARKS.

I CERTIFY, on honor, that I have carefully examined the above named Colored Volunteer, agreeably to the General Regulations of the Army, and that, in my opinion, he is free from all bodily defects and mental infirmity that would, in any way, disqualify him from performing the duties of a soldier.

Charles Heidel
Examining Surgeon.

I CERTIFY, on honor, that the above named Colored Volunteer was duly enlisted by me, and that the above is his correct Descriptive List. That I have minutely inspected him previous to his enlistment, and that he was entirely sober when enlisted; and that, in accepting him as duly qualified to perform the duties of an able-bodied soldier, I have strictly observed the Regulations which govern the recruiting service.

Station Carrollton Mo
Date Dec 21st 1863

S. H. Harrison
Capt Co B 3rd Regt Mo Vols
Provost Marshal and Recruiting Officer.

I Certify on honor that Henry Clay, a private of 1st Lt. Wm. F. Goodwins Company "D" 65th Reg. M. S. Col. Inf. born in Platte County Missouri. aged 22 years. 5 feet 5 inches high. Yellow complexion. Blk. Blk eyes and Blk hair. and by occupation when enlisted a farmer. having joined the company on its original organization in Carrollton, Missouri, and enrolled in it at the Muster into the United States service on the 29th day of December 1863. at Benton Barracks Mo. to serve in the Regiment for the term of 3 years: and having served honestly and faithfully with his Company in the field to the present date is now entitled to a discharge by reason of death. died October 5th 1864. in Regt. Hospital at Morganzia La. of disease.

The said Henry Clay was last paid by Paymaster Maj. Lopplaud to include April 30. 1864, and has pay due him from that day to the date of death, he is entitled to pay and whatever other allowances are authorized to volunteer soldiers so discharged. He has received from the U. S. clothing amounting to forty eight & 81/100 dollars, since his enlistment.

There is to be stopped from him. for one Bayonet ($2 00/100). for one Cartridge Box (Cal. 577) ($1 27/100). and plate ($ 8/100). for one Cartridge Box belt ($1 60/100) and plate ($ 9/100). for one Bayonet Scabbard ($ 56/100). for one waist belt ($ 72/100) and plate ($ 8/100). for one cap pouch and cone pick ($ 56/100). for one gun Sling ($ 21/100). Total amount six dollars & forty one cents ($6 41/100)

Given in Duplicate at Morganzia La. this 13 day of October. 1864.

S Hussey 1st Lieut.
65. Reg. M. S. Col. Inf.
Comdg. Co.

Alfred W. Hughes claimant for compensation under the Acts of Congress of February 24th, 1864, and July 28th, 1866, for Henry Clay a slave, who was Enlisted into the military service of the United States, upon the 21st day of December 1863, having been duly sworn declares that at the date of the Enlistment of said Henry Clay as aforesaid, and as more fully set forth in his application, he was the lawful owner of said Henry Clay and obtained his title to him in the following manner: (1)

That he bought him from John P. Miller on the 30th day of March A.D. 1857, and owned him up to the time of his enlistment as aforesaid,

(2) A. W. Hughes

William H Ballard and E. R. D. Ballard

having been duly sworn, declare that they are personally acquainted with Alfred W Hughes the claimant for compensation for his slave Henry Clay under the Acts of Congress of February 24th, 1864, and July 28, 1866, and know that said Henry Clay at the date of his Enlistment into the military service of the United States, and for previous thereto was the slave of said Alfred W Hughes

They also declare that they have no interest in said claim.

(2) Wm H. Ballard
E R D Ballard

William Miller and David S Leach

having first been duly sworn, upon their oaths declare that they reside respectively in county of Platte State of Missouri and county of Platte State of Missouri; that they are personally acquainted with Alfred W. Hughes claimant for compensation for his slave Henry Clay 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 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 adherence and allegiance to the Government of the United States, and that they have no interest in said claim.

William Miller

(1) D. S Leach

And the said Alfred W Hughes claimant further declares that in consideration of valuable services rendered and to be rendered, he hath and doth employ and constitute, as his Attorney, **JAMES CRAIG, of Saint Joseph, Missouri,** to prosecute his claim for compensation which may be awarded to him 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 his name, place and stead, for him and in his name to ask, demand, recover and receive such compensation as may be awarded as aforesaid, hereby giving and granting unto his 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 he might or could do were he personally present, hereby ratifying and confirming all his 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 him without the consent of his Attorney herein appointed.

(*) A. M. Hughes

State of Missouri } ss.
County of Platte }

On this First day of December 1866, personally appeared before me Clerk of the Weston Court of Common Pleas in and for the county and State aforesaid Alfred M. Hughes the claimant above mentioned, and made oath to the foregoing statement by him subscribed, and he further acknowledge the signing and sealing of the foregoing Power of Attorney to be his 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 William H. Ballard and E. R. S. Ballard, William Miller, and Daniel S. Leach 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]

(*) W. F. Irvin Clerk of the Weston Court of Common Pleas In & for Platte County, Missouri

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.

No 2205

Affidavits of Ownership and Loyalty, and Power of Attorney,

IN THE APPLICATION OF

A. M. Hughes

Platte Co Mo

For Compensation for Service of Slave.

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