CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION FOR ENLISTED SLAVE.

No. [redacted]

I, Horace Nolen, a loyal citizen, and a resident of Buena Vista, 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, Josh Fowler, enlisted 28 August 1863 at Saint Louis Taken There by me & delivered to Enrolling Officer who put him in the 55 Regiment U. S. Colored Troops, Co. K to certificate of which enlistment, and a descriptive list, as required, accompanying this application. None ever received

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.

Horace Nolen

December 26th 1863

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE.

I Horace Nolen 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 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.

Horace Nolen

Sworn to and subscribed before me, at Saint Joseph

this Twenty Sixth day of December 1863

Robt Boyle

Notary Public

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



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ENDORSEMENT.

No. 3844

APPLICATION OF

Horace Nolen

OF

Platte Co Mo

For compensation for service of Slave

Josh Fowler

enlisted March 14 Island 63 1864

in F Co. 56 Regiment,

U. S. Colored Troops.

Received July 28th 1865

Compensation awarded

_____ 186__

_____ Dollars,

_____

President Board of Claims.

P. O. Address of Applicant,

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A. G. Dodge

War Department,

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Washington, Apl. 30, 1867.

Respectfully returned to the Commission for the State of

Missouri

with the information that there is no record of enlistment or service of Josh Fowler on Rolls of Co. F 56th U.S.C.T. on file in this office - Evidence of enrollment and muster in of Joshua Fowler has been furnished - See claims No. 3851 No. 3844

E. D. Taggart

Asst. Adj't General.

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I Horace Nolen a Loyal Citizen and as claimant for compensation for Josh Fowler a 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 Josh Fowler into the military service of the United States, he was the lawful owner of said Josh Fowler and obtained his title to him in the following manner (1):

In right of my Wife Hannah Nolen formerly Fowler who acquired said Slave with others (upon our Marriage) from her Father Dan'l Fowler of McNairy County Tennessee 8th September 1859 as a Gift to her

(2) Horace Nolen

W L Chadwick and Samuel D Talbot having been duly sworn, declare that they are personally acquainted with Horace Nolen the claimant for compensation for one Josh Fowler under the Acts of Congress of February 24th, 1864, and July 28th, 1866, and know that said Josh Fowler at the date of his Enlistment into the military service of the United States, and for five years previous thereto, was the slave of said Horace Nolen. They also declare that they have no interest in said claim.

(3) W L Chadwick
Sam'l D Talbot

W L Chadwick and Samuel D Talbot having first been sworn, upon their oaths declare, that they reside, respectively, in Saint Joseph County of Buchanan State of Missouri and St Joseph County of Buchanan, State of Missouri that they are personally acquainted with Horace Nolen the claimant for compensation for one Josh Fowler 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) W L Chadwick
Sam'l D Talbot

STATE OF MISSOURI,
COUNTY OF Buchanan } ss. December 25th 1865

Personally appeared the above named Horace Nolen
W L Chadwick and
Samuel D Talbot
and made oath to the foregoing statements, by them respectively subscribed.

(5) Robt Byle
Notary Public

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 of 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.

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No. 2844

AFFIDAVITS OF OWNERSHIP AND LOYALTY,

in the Application of

Nancy Nolen

for Compensation for Service of Slave.

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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_____ 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.