(Form A.)

CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION FOR ENLISTED SLAVE.

No. 1

I, William J Herndon, a loyal citizen, and a resident of The County of Carroll 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 George Washington, enlisted November 19th 1863, at Chillicothe Mo by Lt McIlrath in the 60th Regiment U. S. Colored Troops, Co. I; 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.

W J Herndon

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OATH OF ALLEGIANCE.

I, William J Herndon 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 purpose of evasion. So help me God.

W J Herndon

Sworn to and subscribed before me, at Leanerton Mo this 16th day of January 1867.

Chas. Moeller

Clerk, County Court, Carroll Co. Mo.

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, March 18th 1867.

Respectfully returned to the Commission for the State of Missouri, with the information that George Washington was enlisted at Chillicothe Mo, Nov. 18, 1863, and was mustered in as Pvt. in Co. D, 6th U.S.C.I. Nov. 27, 1863.

A. G. O. 24-25-Mar.

W.H.L.,

Asst. Adj't General.

COLORED VOLUNTEER DESCRIPTIVE LIST of George Washington Colored Volunteers, enlisted in the service of the United States under General Order, No. 135, Head Quarters, Department of the Mo., St. Louis, November, 1863. Claimed to have been the slave of William J Hunden a citizen of Randolph 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.
Washington Geo	24	hzel	Black	Black	5	7	Missouri	Randolph	Farmer	18 Nov. 1863	Chillicothe Mo	Lt William Westwood	3 Years

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.

A Knoop
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.

Wm M. Dunnell
Maj & D.Q.M. Cav M.S.M.
Provost Marshal and Recruiting Officer.

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ENDORSEMENT.

No. 2545

APPLICATION OF

Wm P Herndon

OF

Carroll Co Mo

for compensation for service of

slave George Washington

enlisted Nov 12 1863,

in I *Co.* 60 *Regiment,*

U. S. Colored Troops.

Received Jany 31 1867,

Compensation awarded,

_____ *186* ,

_____ *Dollars.*

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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.

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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.

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[FORM B.]

I William J Hernan claimant for compensation under the Acts of Congress of February 24th, 1864, and July 28th, 1866, for George Washington a slave, who was enlisted into the military service of the United States upon the 19 day of November 186 3, having been duly sworn declares that at the date of the enlistment of said slave as aforesaid, and as more fully set forth in his application, he was the lawful owner of said slave and obtained title to him in the following manner: (1)

By inheritance from his father James Hernan, dec'd, many years ago.

(2) W J Hernan

Ulric D Pavelon a resident of Cooper County, State of Missouri and Thomas Arnold a resident of Cooper County, State of Missouri having been duly sworn, declare that they are personally acquainted with William J Hernan the claimant for compensation for his slave George Washington under the Acts of Congress of February 24th, 1864, and July 28, 1866, and know that said George Washington at the date of his ~~enlistment~~ into the military service of the United States, and for previous thereto was the slave of said W J Hernan They also declare that they have no interest in said claim.

U D Pavelon

(3) Tho Arnold

Ulric D Pavelon a resident of Cooper County, State of Missouri and Thomas Arnold a resident of Cooper County, State of Missouri having first been duly sworn, upon their oaths declare that they reside respectively in the county of Cooper State of Missouri and the county of Cooper State of Missouri; that they are personally acquainted with William J Hernan claimant for compensation for his slave George Washington under the Acts of Congress of February 24, 1864, and July 28, 1866, and that they know that said claimant ha 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.

U D Pavelon

(4) Tho Arnold

And the said William J Hernan 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.

(5) W J Hernaod

STATE OF Missouri } ss.
County of Cooper }

On this 16th day of January 1867, personally appeared before me Charles Moeller, Clerk of the County Court in and for the county and State aforesaid William J Hernaod 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 Henie D Pavetan and Thomas Trumbo and 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) Chas. Moeller
Clerk

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. 2515

Affidavits of Ownership and Loyalty, and Power of Attorney, in the Application of

Wm D Hernaod

Cooper Co Mo

For Compensation for Service of Slave.

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