(Form A.)

CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION FOR ENLISTED SLAVE.

No. ____

I, Benj R. Morton, Admr of Estate of David Hunt dec'd, a loyal citizen, and a resident of ____ 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 of said David Hunt dec'd viz William Phillips enlisted August 17th 1862, at Leavenworth, Kansas by Captain Earle in the Seventy-ninth Regiment U. S. Colored Troops, Co. F; certificate of which enlistment, and a descriptive list, as required, ~~accompanying this application~~. never recd by claimant

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.

Benjamin R. Morton Executor

November 13th 1866.

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE.

I, Benj R. Morton, Admr of Estate of David Hunt dec'd former, the ~~same 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.

Benjamin R. Morton Executor

Sworn to and subscribed before me, at office in Platte City Mo with the seal thereof affixed this 13 day of November 1866.

Geo W Bell Clerk

Platte County Circuit Court

[illegible] be required to prove the active loyalty of the claimant during the war.

War Department,

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE.

Washington, Jan 31 1867.

Respectfully returned to the Commission for the State of Missouri, with the information that William Phillips was enlisted at Leavenworth Kan August 17 1862 and was mustered in as private in Co "F" 79th USCI Jan 13 1863.

Dn. 163. Inv.

A. Rodgers

Asst. Adj't General.

A.A.B.

ENDORSEMENT.

No. ~~7~~ 163 15

APPLICATION OF

Benjamin R Morton
or admr

Platte Co Mo

for compensation for service of

slave William Phillips

enlisted Aug 17 1862,

in F Co. 79th *Regiment,*

U. S. Colored Troops.

Received Jany 14 1867,

Compensation awarded,

186 ,

Dollars.

President Board of Claims.

P. O. Address of Applicant.

Chapman Hosmer & Co
5 Washington
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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.*

R. Marsh *Member of the Board.*

To _____

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

[FORM B.]

Benj R. Morton, Adm'r of Estate of David Hunt, dec'd claimant for compensation under the Acts of Congress of February 24th, 1864, and July 28th, 1866, for William Phillips a slave, who was enlisted into the military service of the United States upon the Seventeenth day of August 1862, having been duly sworn declares that at the date of the enlistment of said William Phillips as aforesaid, and as more fully set forth in this application said David Hunt was the lawful owner of said William Phillips and obtained his title to him in the following manner: (1) the mother of said William Phillips was the property of said David Hunt dec'd, and the said William Phillips, for whom compensation is claimed for the benefit of the heirs of said David Hunt, dec'd was born the property of said David Hunt.- all of which appears by a certified copy of letters of administration hereto attached.

(2) Benjamin R. Morton Claimt

Wm H Shratt a resident of Platte County, State of Missouri and Marion Todd a resident of Platte County, State of Missouri having been duly sworn, declare that they were personally acquainted with David Hunt, dec'd & are personally acquainted with Benj R Morton the claimant for compensation for a slave William Phillips under the Acts of Congress of February 24th, 1864, and July 28, 1866, and know that said William Phillips at the date of his enlistment into the military service of the United States, and for ten years previous thereto was the slave of said David Hunt dec'd They also declare that they have no interest in said claim.

Wm H Shratt

(3) Marion Todd

Hugh Swaney a resident of Platte County, State of Missouri and Hugh Swaney a resident of Platte County, State of Missouri 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 were personally acquainted with David Hunt, dec'd and are personally acquainted with Benj R. Morton claimant for compensation for a slave William Phillips, deceased under the Acts of Congress of February 24, 1864, and July 28, 1866, and that they know that said claimant have firmly and faithfully maintained their 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 their 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.

Hugh Swaney

Richard T Garnett

(4) Benj R. Morton

And the said Benj R. Morton claimant further declares that in consideration of valuable services rendered and to be rendered, he hath and doth employ and constitute, as his Attorneys, CHIPMAN, HOSMER & CO., Washington, D. C., to prosecute his claim for compensation which may be awarded to him as owner of ~~said slave~~ Admr of estate of David Hunt dec'd 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 Attorneys 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 Attorneys or their substitutes by their 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 Attorneys herein appointed.

(s) Benjamin R. Morton Executor

STATE OF Missouri
County of Platte } ss.

On this 23th day of November 1866 personally appeared before me Geo. W. Bell a Clk of Cir Court in and for the county and State aforesaid Benj R. Morton the claimant above mentioned, and made oath to the foregoing statement by him subscribed, and he further acknowledged 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 Wm D Spratt and Marion Todd Hugh Twaney and Richard J Darnall. 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. at office in Platte City Missouri. [SEAL.] (s) Geo. W. Bell Clerk Platte County Circuit Court

INSTRUCTIONS.

(1) with obtaining title—when, where and how.

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(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. 1663

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

Benj R. Morton Adm'r of Estate of David Hunt dec'd

Platte City Mo.

For Compensation for Service of Slave.

CHIPMAN, HOSMER & CO.,
WASHINGTON, D. C.,
Attorneys for Claimant.

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State of Kansas
County of Leavenworth } ss

Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid Joseph Davis who be duly sworn deposes and says that he was a Sergeant in Co "A" 79th U.S.C.T., that he is personally acquainted with one Spatt Hunt who went by the name of William Phillips in the said Regt. that his knowledge of him is derived from personal acquaintance with said Hunt or Phillips before the war and that the said Hunt or Phillips was a private in Co "A" 79th U.S.C.T. and that he knows him to be the same person who went by the name of Spatt Hunt before the war

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Joseph X Davis
mark

Witnesses
J. B Owen

W. H. Burnham

Subscribed & sworn to before me this 12th day of December A.D. 1866

Geo Stratton
Notary Public

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COMPENSATION FOR SLAVE.

AFFIDAVIT OF EXECUTOR OR ADMINISTRATOR.

State of Missouri
County of Platte } SS.

Personally appeared before me, George W. Bell a Clk of Cir. Court in and for said County, Benjamin R. Morton who, being duly sworn, on oath declares and says that he is the legally and duly constituted Admr of the Estate of David Hunt late of the County of and State of Missouri deceased, and that the appended copy of his appointment and authority for appearing in that capacity is true and correct; that his application for compensation under the Acts of Congress approved February 24, 1864, and July 28, 1866, for William Phillips a slave, lately owned by said deceased, and since mustered into the service of the United States, is made for the benefit of the heirs at law of said deceased, whom deponent declares to be of the following names and ages, to wit:

If heirs are minors, give the precise age in years; if over age state the fact without giving age.

Mrs. Elizabeth Merryman	aged	twenty-five years,
David Hunt Jr.	aged	twenty-four years,
Mrs. H. E. Queen	aged	twenty three years,
William H Hunt	aged	twenty one years,
Mrs. Mary F McClure	aged	eighteen years,
Robert F. Hunt	aged	sixteen years,

Deponent further saith that the above named persons are all who are to him known to be entitled to any benefits to be derived from his application for said slave; and that said slave has been inventoried as a part of the assets of said deceased, and compensation therefor is due and owing said heirs aforementioned.

(1) Benj R Morton

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of January 1867. I certify the seal thereof affixed at office in Platte City, Mo. the day and year above written

[SEAL.] (2) Geo W Bell clerk
Platte County Circuit Court

R. F. Gaines a resident of Platte County, State of Missouri and F. Y. Flanary a resident of Platte County, State of Missouri having first been duly sworn, upon their oaths declare that they are personally acquainted with the above named heirs at law of David Hunt deceased, to wit: Mrs J. F. Morton Mrs Ann Elkins John G Sutton Mrs Elizabeth Merryman David Hunt Jr. Mrs. H. E. Queen William H. Hunt Mrs Mary F. McClure, Robert F. Hunt

and that they know that said heirs have firmly and faithfully maintained their 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 their 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.

R. F. Gaines
(3) F. Y. Flanary

STATE OF Missouri
County of Platte } SS.

On this Fourth day of January 1867, personally appeared before me Richard F. Gaines and Fountleroy F. Flanary 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. at office in Platte City, Mo the day & year above written

[SEAL.] (2) Geo W Bell clerk
Platte County Circuit Court

(1.) Signature of Executor or Administrator.
(2.) Signature of Clerk of Court or Notary Public.
(3.) Signatures of witnesses to loyalty
Certified copy of appointment as Executor or Administrator must accompany this.

State of Missouri }
County of Platte } Sct

Be it remembered that at an adjourned term of the Probate Court of Platte County Missouri, begun and held at Platte City, Mo. on the 15th day of December A.D. 1864. among others were had the following proceedings Viz:

"In the matter of Estate }
of Daniel Hunt dec'd } Now at this day the Court grants Letters Testamentary upon said Estate to Benjamin R. Morton, who is required to enter into bond conditioned as the Law requires"

I Norton B. Anderson Clerk of the Probate Court within and for the County of Platte and State aforesaid do hereby certify that the above is a true and perfect Copy from the Records of said Court



In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed Seal of said Court, at office in Platte City this 4th day of January A.D. 1865

Norton B. Anderson Clerk

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