

# PROOF OF DISABILITY

NOTE.—This affidavit must be executed by a Commissioned Officer, if possible, but, if not possible to secure such evidence then two of the soldier's comrades should testify.

State of New York, County of Cattaraugus, SS.

ON THIS 21 day of November A. D. 1888 personally appeared before me a

Jesse J. Pease in and for the aforesaid County, duly authorized to administer oaths  
William C. Clark aged 45 years, a resident of Solomon  
in the County of Cattaraugus and State of New York and  
aged \_\_\_\_\_ years, a resident of \_\_\_\_\_

in the county of \_\_\_\_\_ and State of \_\_\_\_\_ who being

duly sworn according to law, state that he is acquainted with Frederick Ballou  
applicant for Invalid Pension, and knows the said Frederick Ballou to be the identical  
person of that name who enlisted or volunteered as a Private in Company B. 154-  
Regiment of New York Vols. vols., and who was discharged  
[Died or was discharged.]

at Bowdoin-camp Co. on or about the 17 day of January, 1863  
by reason of Surgery cont. of disability  
[Here insert the reason of the soldier's discharge, if known; if not known, so state; or, if he died, so state.]

That the said Frederick Ballou while in the line of his duty, at or near  
Arlington Heights in the State of Virginia did, on or

about the latter part of September, 1862 become disabled in the following manner, viz:

Claimant was severely sick and was sent  
[Here state the time and place and manner in which the wound or other injury was received. Describe the wound or injury, the part of the body  
away to a hospital, where he had the typhoid fever,  
wounded or injured, and all the circumstances attending it. If sickness, state time and place when contracted, what caused it, the name of the  
claimant - did not return again to his  
sickness, and how it affected him.]  
Command, but was discharged as above stated

That the facts stated are personally known to the affiant by reason of the fact that affiant  
[Here state whether affiant was with the command at the time the  
was at the time that said claimant was taken  
claimant contracted his disability, or whether his knowledge was otherwise obtained. All the facts known to affiant relative to the soldier's medical  
etc. etc. the orderly sergeant of said Co B  
treatment for his disability while in the service should be stated, giving time and place, if possible.]

154 Regiment of New York Vols.