

State of Maryland }
City County of Baltimore }

On this 29th day of September A. D. 1864, personally app
before me, Clerk of the Superior Court in
for the County and State aforesaid, Elizabeth Nichols a resident of
Baltimore City in the County of Baltimore
and State of Maryland aged 32 years, who, being first duly sworn
according to law, doth on her oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefits
of the provision made by the act of Congress, approved July 14, 1862, granting Pensions: That
she is the widow of Archibald Nichols who was a Private
in Company G commanded by Capt Ogden B Read in the
39th Regiment of U.S. Colored Infantry mustered into the service
of the United States from the State of Maryland in the
war of 1861, and who died (or was killed) at Philadelphia Pa. while
on his way to Hospital
on the 17th day of August 1864, as this deponent verily believes.

She further declares that she was lawfully married to the said Archibald Nichols
at Baltimore City in the State of Maryland
by the Revd Philip Scott a Minister of the Gospel
on the 7th day of July 1852; that her husband, the aforesaid
Archibald Nichols died on the day above mentioned, as she verily
believes, and she remained his faithful wife until his decease. She further declares that she
has remained his widow ever since the death of her said husband, Archibald Nichols
as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed. The personal description
of the said Archibald Nichols her deceased husband, is as follows: Age,
about years; height, feet inches; eyes; complexion;
hair; occupation at time of enlistment, a Laborer

She further declares that she had, by said deceased husband, three children now
living, under the age of sixteen years, named, aged, and residing as follows: Wm. H. Nichols
aged 10 years Archibald Nichols aged six years
Samuel Nichols aged 3 months all of whom she now living with
in Baltimore
and that she has not, in any manner, been engaged in, or aided or abetted, the rebellion in the
United States, and that her maiden name was Elizabeth Bell

and I hereby appoint DARIUS FORBES, General Claim Agent of the United States
Sanitary Commission, or his successor in office, of Washington, D. C., my lawful attorney, to
procure for me the Pension mentioned in the above application, and to receive and receipt for
any Certificate which may issue in my favor in connection with the same, hereby ratifying and
confirming whatever my said attorney may do in the premises. Her post office address is 558 West
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Attesting Witnesses
Thos B Guistner
J. P. Croeger
Elizabeth Nichols her mark (Signature of Claimant)

Also personally appeared Revd Philip Scott and
Priscilla Bell residents of Baltimore City County
of Maryland persons

whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me duly sworn, say
that they were present and saw Elizabeth Nichols sign her name (or
make her mark) to the foregoing declaration; and they further swear that they have known
the parties above described to have lived together as husband and wife for twelve
years previous to and up to the time of deceased going into the aforesaid service of the United
States, and they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of the applicant, and their
acquaintance with her, that she is the identical person she represents herself to be, and that
they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

Attesting Witnesses
Thos B Guistner
J. P. Croeger
Philip Scott Witness.
Priscilla Bell Witness.

Sworn to and subscribed, by both applicant and witnesses, before me, this 29th day
of September A. D. 1864; and I hereby certify that I have no interest,
direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

Contents of this was made known to the contents of the
Superior Court Baltimore City
(Signature of Judge or other Officer.)