

# SURGEON'S CERTIFICATE.

Insert character and number of claim.

Increase

Pension Claim No. 626.009

Name of claimant.

Robert Barnes

Address of Board.

Baltimore

P. O.

Private Company K 19<sup>th</sup> Reg't U.S.C. Inf.

Maryland

State.

Claimant's post-office address.

1707 S. Howard St

July 1st

1899

[Date of examination.]

Cause of disability.

Rheumatism - disease of heart, rectum, chest and piles

He receives a pension of 6 dollars per month.

He makes the following statement upon which he bases his claim for Increase

[Original, increase, restoration, etc.]

He has rheumatism and lumbago - He has no piles

Here give the claimant's statement (as briefly and as compactly as possible) in regard to the origin of his disabilities and the manner in which they affect him.

Attention is invited to the outlines of the human skeleton and figure upon the back of this certificate, which should be used to indicate precisely the location of a disease or injury, the entrance and exit of a missile, an amputation, etc.

We hereby certify that upon examination we find the following objective conditions:

Pulse rate, 76-76-80, respiration, 18-18-20, temperature, 98.6

[Sitting, standing, after exercise.]

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height, 5 feet 6 inches; actual weight, 172 pounds; age, 56 years.

Here give a full description of the disabilities, in accordance with Book of Instructions.

Rheumatism = There is rheumatic soreness in the right knee joint with crepitation - no enlargement of joint or atrophy or swelling of muscles - no contraction or impaired motion - Rate 2/18.

The actual or probable origin of every existing disability must be fully set forth.

There is also rheumatic soreness in the right ankle joint without enlargement of joint or atrophy or swelling of muscles - no contraction or impaired motion. All other joints normal - Rate 2/18.

Whenever a disability is shown or is believed to be due to or aggravated by vicious habits the opinion of the board must be stated. When not due to such habits this fact must be stated.

There is rheumatic soreness over the right lumbar muscle without atrophy or swelling. Pain is complained of upon stooping & rising. Other muscles normal. Rate 2/18.

Each disability must be rated separately, the act of Congress of March 2, 1895, requiring "that the report of such examining surgeons shall specifically state the rating which, in their judgment, the applicant is entitled to."

Disease of heart = apex beat normal & evident upon palpation. Auscultation reveals normal heart sounds & absence of murmur. No dilatation, hypertrophy, dyspnoea or oedema - Rate 0/18.

Disease of chest = The chest is symmetrical & measures at rest 35 1/2 inches. On full inspiration 37 1/2 inches. On full expiration 35 1/2. Percussion elicits a clear sound & auscultation reveals a respiratory murmur. The bronchi are normal - Rate 0/18.

Disease of Rectum = The rectum is normal - Rate 0/18.

Piles = No objection evidence of piles - Rate 0/18.

No other disability found to exist

No evidence of vicious habits

When rates are recommended solely on subjective evidence the strongest reasons must be given therefor.

A. H. Patton, Pres. H. J. Farrell, Sec'y. W. L. Ireland, Treas.

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