

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

County of Dorchester State of Maryland ss:
IN THE MATTER OF the claim for pension of Maria Stafford,
widow of Robert Stafford, C. O. A. 7" U. S. Col. Infy.

ON THIS 5th day of April A. D., 1902, personally appeared before me,
A Justice of the Peace in and for the aforesaid County, duly authorized to administer oaths,

Harriet Anne Bryan aged 65 years, a resident of Cambridge
in the County of Dorchester and State of Maryland

whose post-office address is Cambridge, Maryland, and

aged _____ years, a resident of _____
in the County of _____ and State of _____

whose post-office address is _____ well known to me to

be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declared in relation to the aforesaid case as follows:

I have known Robert Stafford, deceased, a very great while,
and Maria, his widow, and I were children together.
I also knew his first wife, Abby Stafford, very well
from my earliest childhood until her death. She and
I were cousins. She died some years after she was
1861-1865, down at her home in Beckwith's Neck.
I happened to be here in Cambridge when she
died, and so didn't see her in her last illness, but
I know she died as I have stated. It was known and

[Note.—Affiants should state how they gain a knowledge of the facts to which they testify.]

known to us in my family, and in the neighborhood
Robert & Abby had one child, and she died young—
about 13 or 14 years of age. Robert married Maria,
the claimant, about 4 years after his first wife's
death. He never had any wife except those two.
left no children by either marriage.



I further declare that I have no interest, either direct or indirect, in the prosecution of said claim.

Frederic Bridges
Emma Figgiles
[If affiants sign by mark, two persons who can write sign here.]

Harriet Anne Bryan
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[Signature of affiants.]