

IMPORTANT NOTICE.—Testimony is much better when the affidavit is wholly in hand writing of the affiant, in which event the affidavit must conclude with an averment that :

This statement is in my own hand writing, and in the making of the same I used no written or printed statement, nor was I aided or prompted by any recital, prepared or dictated by any other person, and not attached as an exhibit to this affidavit."

If the affidavit is not in hand writing of the affiant, then the following averment must be added:

"And I further swear that the foregoing testimony was all written in my presence, and only from my oral statements then made. That I dictated said affidavit on the * * * day of * * * 189 * to * * * at the office of * * * in the town of * * * and that the same was then and there reduced to writing by him from said oral statements, and that in making the same, I did not use and was not aided nor prompted by any written or printed statement or recital, prepared or dictated by any other person."

The proper averment must be written in the body of the affidavit by the same person who writes it as its last paragraph. This is required by "Order 229."

GENERAL AFFIDAVIT.

In the Matter of Claim No. _____ of _____

ON THIS 23 day of February A. D. 1897 personally appeared before me, an officer in and for the hereinafter named County and State, duly authorized to administer oaths, Edward Dorman aged 50 years, whose Post Office address is 210 Richmond St. Balt. Md. and who being duly sworn declares in relation to aforesaid case as follows:

NOTE.—The Affiant should state how he gains a knowledge of the facts to which he testifies.

My witness is Edward Dorman and would state that James Jenkins was in the Commissary Department, and knew me all the times I was in the service, as he stated, and has known me ever since, and is capable of testifying for me.

As to Henry Gross whilst he was out a member of my company which was a company 7th Regt. he was a member of Co. C. of the same Regt. and we all lay together at Elk Horn Texas, our frequently detailed on same duty in camp together, and both men were there when I was sent to the hospital. Henry Gross has told me this day that he would make the same affidavit again that he did before in reference to my case, and solemnly told me that no person was ever interviewed with about this matter since he testified before the Justice the last time. In view of this I must infer there must be some mistake, if that testimony is thrown out I do not know what I will. I make this orally to W. P. Hammond who wrote it down in my presence this day & month aforesaid.

I further declare that I have no interest in said case and am not concerned in its prosecution.

Witnesses to Signature :

W. P. Hammond

H. G. Jacobs

If affiant signs by mark, two witnesses who can write sign here

Edward Dorman
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