

There is no reasonable doubt regarding the statements they have made.

I secured a statement from Samuel D. Owings a son of Eliza's former master, who assured me that they had lived together during all their lives. An older brother John Owings mentioned by Eliza in her statement, I also called upon, but found him too ill to be seen, as his brother Samuel assured me his statement would corroborate his own. I concluded that the evidence was clear on the point of any prior marriage. Witness Arnold Waters on a personal interview assured me that his statements contained in his affidavit were true and are corroborated by that of the undertaker Felix B. Pye. - depositions E.

The claim is one of merit and I recommend it for admission.

Very Respectfully

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