

Application for a Widow's Pension

Under the Act of July 4, A. D. 1836.

STATE OF Massachusetts }
COUNTY OF Middlesex }

On this fourth day of March

A. D. 1862, personally came before me William A. Richardson, Judge of the Court of Insolvency, which is a Court of record for the County of Middlesex and State of Mass. — Caroline A. Hosmer, a resident of Acton in said County and State, aged 28 years, who being duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the law of the United States, passed July 4, A. D. 1836, — That she is the widow of Augustus W. Hosmer, who was a Musician in the Company by Captain in the Town of Lancaster Mass. Regiment of Volunteers in the war of the Rebellion, commenced April, 1861. That she was married to the said Augustus W. Hosmer on the Eighth day of November in the year A. D. 1855, by the Rev. Quincy Whitney a Clergyman of Lancaster Mass. That her name before her said marriage was Caroline A. Whitecomb. That her husband, the aforesaid Augustus W. Hosmer, Died on the Thirtieth day of November A. D. 1861 at Acton in consequence of a Fever, as will more fully appear by reference to the rolls of said Company, and the proofs hereto annexed, and that she has remained a widow ever since that period. She further declares that she has not received a Pension under this or any other Act of Congress, nor made any other application therefor.

And for the purpose of this application, I, the said Caroline A. Hosmer, do hereby constitute and appoint CHARLES REED, of Boston, Massachusetts, my true and lawful Attorney, irrevocable, with power of substitution for me, and in my name to demand and receive from the Commissioner of Pensions, a Certificate for Pension for me. (The word "Court" being first erased
and the words "Court of Insolvency" being first written on.)

Caroline A. Hosmer

J. M. HARTWELL, TELEPHONE 24-57

F. A. HOSMER, TELEPHONE 17-11

D.C. ~~HARTWELL & HOSMER~~

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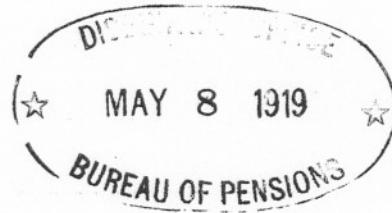
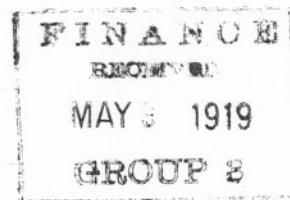
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LITTLETON COMMON, MASS. May 6 1919

U.S. Pension Agency.

Caroline A. Hosmer
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WIDOW'S CLAIM FOR AN INCREASE OF PENSION.

State of Massachusetts }
 COUNTY OF Middlesex } ss.

On this second day of October 1866, personally appeared before me, a Judge of the Probate Court of a Court of Record in the County and State aforesaid, Caroline A. Hosmer, a resident of Littleton in the County of Middlesex State of Massachusetts aged thirty-one years, who, being duly sworn, declares that she is the widow of Augustus W. Hosmer who died in the (1) Military service of the United States, on the 30th day of November 1861, while (2) serving as a Musician in the 26th Mass. Vol. Inf. (entered in Co "E" 26th); and that she has remained a widow since the death of said Augustus W. Hosmer. That by reason of the death of her husband, as aforesaid, she received a Pension Certificate No. 1533, and that she is a Pensioner of the United States, duly enrolled at the Pension Agency at Boston, Massachusetts, at \$ 80 per month. That the following

are the names, dates of birth, and present place of residence, of all of the children of her deceased husband, who are now under sixteen years of age, to wit,

Adeleia Fannie Hosmer Born April 2nd 1856 Resides at Littleton.
 Fred Augustus Hosmer Born May 19th 1861 " "

She further declares that she has not abandoned the support of any one of the children above-named, nor permitted any one of the same to be adopted by any other person or persons, as his, her, or their child. That she surrenders the aforesaid Pension Certificate No. 1533, and makes this application for the purpose of obtaining the increased rate of pension authorized by the act "increasing the pensions of widows and orphans," approved July 25, 1866; that she hereby constitutes and appoints Charles Prescott of Groton, Connecticut, her true and lawful attorney, and authorizes him to present and prosecute this claim, and to receive and receipt for all orders or certificates that may be issued in consequence thereof, hereby revoking all Powers of Attorney, if any, heretofore given by her for a like purpose. My Post Office address is Littleton Mass.

SIGNATURE OF CLAIMANT.

Caroline A. Hosmer

Also personally appeared before me, at the time and place aforesaid, Charles H. Whitcomb, of Littleton, and Peter C. Edwards, of Littleton, in the County of Middlesex, State of Massachusetts, whom I certify to be credible persons, who, being duly sworn according to law, declare, each for himself, that they well know Caroline A. Hosmer, who signed the foregoing declaration in their presence, and that she is the identical person she represents herself to be; that they have been acquainted with the said applicant, and the said deceased for several years, and believe the foregoing statement relative to the names, births, and ages of their children, to be true and correct, and that the said statement is believed to be true and correct in the community in which they resided.

They further swear that they, or either of them, have no interest in this claim, either present or prospective, and that they are not concerned, directly or indirectly, in its prosecution.

SIGNATURES OF WITNESSES.

Charles H. Whitcomb
 Peter C. Edwards

Note of authenticity to be placed at bottom of witness (not on this page)

Camp Suffolk Va Dec 18 / 62

I ^{Isaiah Hutchins of Acton Massachusetts.}
^{acting 2nd assistant} Now a Surgeon in the Sixth Regiment Mass
Volunteers. now stationed at Suffolk Va. Certify
that in my opinion the death of Augustus W.
Hoosner formerly a musician in the Twenty
Sixth Regiment Mass. Volunteers was caused
by a fever contracted while in the Camp at
Lowell Mass. with the Regiment in the
fall of 1861. Said Hoosner was on furlough.
at the time of his death having been allowed to go
to his home on account of said sickness.

At and before the time of his last sickness
I was physician in said Hoosner's family and
attended him during his last sickness.

Said Augustus W. Hoosner was examined
and passed before being mustered into the United
States Service, and the nature of the disease of which
he died was such that I have no doubt it was con-
tracted while in the line of his duty and in the
service of the United States.

Isaac Hutchins M.D.

(To be used only in case increase of pensions is claimed under Act of September 8, 1916. - Sign name as it appears on pension certificate. No attorney will be recognized and no attorney fee will be paid.)

Leitchton Mass Oct 6th 1916.

Widow's Certificate Number 1533
Name of soldier (or sailor) Augustus W. Harmer
Service of soldier (or sailor) Enlisted for three
years, but died within a year

Commissioner of Pensions,

Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I am pensioned under the above certificate number, because of the service of the soldier (or sailor) named. I was _____ his wife during the period of his service in the Civil War. (If not,
~~write word Not in blank space~~)

I was married to him Nov. 8th, 1855
I am 81 years of age, having been born May 10th,
1835, at Bowborough Mass.

I am entitled to the increase of pension provided by the first section of the Act of September 8, 1916.

(Signature) Caroline A. Kosmer
(Post-office address) Leitchton Mass.
(2)

WAR OF 1861.

CLAIM FOR INCREASE OF WIDOW'S PENSION.

ACT OF JULY 25, 1866.

Supplemental to case in which certificate No. 1533 was issued April 15, 1862.

DEF in the case of

Caroline A. Hosmer

Augustus W. Hosmer Mass., Widow of
Musician 26~~the~~ Vols.
Middlesex County, and State of Mass
Littleton

Resident of

Post Office address:

DECLARATION AND IDENTIFICATION IN DUE FORM.

PROOF EXHIBITED.

Abandon-
ment or
adoption.

Neither

Date of
Marriage
of Parents.

Nov. 8. 1855

Names
and dates
of birth of
children.

Adelia F.

, born April 2

, 1856 who will be 16 years old

April 1

, 1871

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Fred. A.

May 19

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May 18

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Proof of
ages.

Record

Entitled to \$20 per month, 18
commencing Sept. 8, 1866,
Under act of Sept. 8, 1866.
While During Civil War service.

NOV 21 1916

Only
children.

Stated

Agent,
and his P.
O. address.A. Prescott Esq.
Wolton Junction
MassIssue certificate for 8 dollars per month, commencing
dollars per month additional for each of the above-named children, commencing
of July 1866 deducting former payments.Nov 30, 1861, and two
days

Mr. - 1

Passed 21. 4

State of Massachusetts. County of Middlesex.

In this third day of January AD 1863 personally appeared Caroline A. Kosmer aged twenty seven years who being by me duly sworn doth on her oath depose and say that she has not in any manner been engaged in or aided or abetted in the Rebellion in the United States. The names dates of birth and residences of the children of the late Augustus W. Kosmer a musician of the 26 Regt. Massachusetts Volunteers are as follows. viz:

Acelia F. Kosmer Born April 27 1856, reside in Boxborough
Fred A. Kosmer Born May 19 1861 " " Boxborough
all of said children residing with the applicant in Boxborough Massachusetts. The said Caroline A. Kosmer is the widow of said Augustus W. Kosmer, dead, who applied for a widow's Army Pension under the date of March 14 1862.

Caroline A. Kosmer

And on the same day personally appeared J H W. Metherbee and Hiram J Hopgood residents of Acton in the State of Massachusetts who being duly sworn depose and say that the above was subscribed and sworn to in their presence by Said Caroline A. Kosmer who is known to them as the identical person she represents herself to be, and that her statement aforesaid are true They are disinterested in the claim.

J H W Metherbee
H J Hopgood

Then personally appeared the above declarant and two witnesses who made oath and subscribed to the foregoing affidavit in my presence. They are credible persons. I am disinterested in said claim

Zobeth Taylor } Justice of the Peace

John H. Gulliver 31 August 1863

of our present difficulties, in our estimation
we have no power, but we could possibly
have some influence with our government to the foreign
powers who are now engaged in this contest, and this
will be particularly useful in our favor.

John H. Gulliver

Our present difficulties in this estimation
are great, and there is but little we can do to help
to relieve us in this industrial period of the upward turn
of their power by said European nations who remain
and can not the longer now consider what ought to be
in the event of the outbreak, who will be the main culprits
and us and Germany & France, will be of little
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