

Declaration for Widow's Pension.

ACT OF APRIL 19, 1908

State of Massachusetts, County of Middlesex, ss:

ON THIS 4th day of August A D. one thousand nine hundred and Nine personally appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace within and for the County and State aforesaid, Barrie A Sumner aged 65 years, a resident of Waltham County of Middlesex State of Mass who, being duly sworn according to law, makes the following declaration in order to obtain pension under the provisions of the ACT OF CONGRESS APPROVED APRIL 19, 1908.

That she is the widow of Alson R Sumner who was Enrolled under the name of Alson R. Sumner at Cambridge Mass on the 2nd day of July 1861 as a Corporal in Co K 16th Regt Mass Vol's inf and honorably discharged July 1 1864 having served ninety days or more during the late war of the rebellion. That the soldier was in the MILITARY OR NAVAL SERVICE of the United States except as stated above Was transferred to 1st Company 2nd Battalion Veteran Reserve Corps June 9. 1863 as Sergeant. served until July 1- 1864 If any other service it should be stated in full

That she was married under the name of Barrie A Taylor to said soldier at Newton Mass on the 15 day of November 1864 by Rev G J Hibelbert; that there was no legal barrier to the marriage; that she had not been previously married; that the soldier had not been previously married.

If there was a prior marriage of either, the date and place of death or divorce of former consort or consorts should be stated

That the said soldier died July 30 1909, at Waltham Mass that she was not divorced from him; that she has not remarried since his death.

That the NAMES and DATES OF BIRTH of all the children of the soldier, now living and under SIXTEEN YEARS OF AGE at the date of the soldier's death, are as follows: (If the soldier left no children, the claimant should so state.)

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That she has not heretofore applied for pension If prior application has been made the number thereof, the service on which it was based

and the name of the soldier should be stated

That she hereby appoints, with full power of substitution and revocation,—

Herman P Harrington of Waltham Mass her true and lawful attorney to prosecute this claim, and directs that the sum of Ten Dollars be paid him for his services.

That her Post Office address is 28 Beech St Waltham County of Middlesex State of Mass

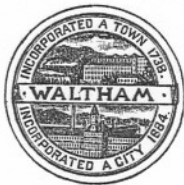
ATTEST:

1. George F Beckwith
2. Rae Beckwith

Barrie A Sumner
Signature of Claimant—full name



ATTORNEY FILED



CERTIFICATE OF DEATH.

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK,
WALTHAM, MASSACHUSETTS.

Aug. 11, 1909.

I certify that the following is a true copy from the records of this office:

No. 267
Date of Death, July 30, 1909.
Name and Surname of Deceased, Alson R. Sumner
Age, 71 Years, 3 Months, 21 Days
Place of Death, 28 Beach St., Waltham
Residence, Waltham
Sex and Condition, Male Married
Color,
Occupation, Painter
Place of Birth, Middlebury, Vt.
Cause of Death, Cardiac failure. Carcinoma of stomach.
Name of Father, William
Name of Mother, Unknown
Birth-place of Father, Unknown Vermont.
Birth-place of Mother, Unknown
Place of Interment, Mount Hope, West Acton
Date of Registry, Aug. 9, 1909.

Attest,

Luman H. Hall

City Clerk.

B. M. A. H.



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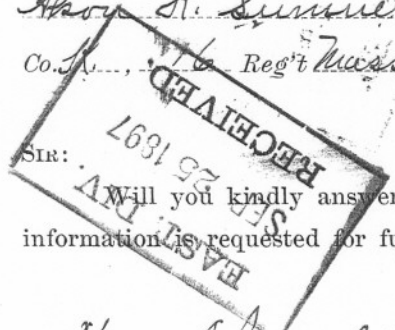


eastern Div. *Ex'r.*
 Off. No. *47192*
Alon S. Sumner
 Co. *16* Reg't *Mass. Col. 1st*

Department of the Interior,

BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

Washington, D. C., *September 20*, 1897.



SIR: Will you kindly answer, at your earliest convenience, the questions enumerated below? The information is requested for future use, and it may be of great value to your family.

Very respectfully,

Mr Alon S. Sumner
7 Church St.
Watertown, Mass.

Commissioner

No. 1. Are you a married man? If so, please state your wife's full name, and her maiden name.

Answer: *yes*, *Carrie A. Sumner* maiden name *Carrie A. Taylor*

No. 2. When, where, and by whom were you married? Answer: *1864 Nov 15th at*

Newton Mass by G. F. Hulbert

No. 3. What record of marriage exists? Answer: *Two Witnesses*

George Parks & Sarah Parks of Waltham Mass

No. 4. Were you previously married? If so, please state the name of your former wife and the date and place of her death or divorce. Answer: *no*

No. 5. Have you any children living? If so, please state their names and the dates of their birth. Answer: *Willie Alben Sumner Born April 19th 1866*

Hattie Francis Sumner Born Nov 2nd 1867

Bele Gertrude Sumner Born Nov 23rd 1872

Bert Wiley Sumner Born Dec 21st 1874

Olie Richards Sumner Born Sept 5th 1876

Date of reply, *September 22nd*, 1897.

Alon R. Sumner
 (Signature.)

ACT OF FEBRUARY 6, 1907.

DECLARATION FOR PENSION.

THE PENSION CERTIFICATE SHOULD NOT BE FORWARDED WITH THE APPLICATION.

State of Mass.
County of Middlesex } ss.

On this 10th day of April, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and eight, personally appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace within and for the county and State aforesaid, Alben R. Sumner who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is 70 years of age, and a resident of Waltham county of Middlesex State of Mass.; and that he is the identical person who was ENROLLED at Watertown Mass under the name of Alben R. Sumner, on the 6th day of May 18 61, as a private, in Co K 16th Mass. Inf.
(Here state rank, and company and regiment in the Army, or vessels if in the Navy.)

in the service of the United States, in the Civil war, and was HONORABLY DISCHARGED at Washington (State name of war, Civil or Mexican.) on the 1st day of July, 18 64. That he also served no other service
(Here give a complete statement of all other services, if any.)

That he was not employed in the military or naval service of the United States otherwise than as stated above. That his personal description at enlistment was as follows: Height, 5 feet 11 inches; complexion, dark; color of eyes, blue; color of hair, brown; that his occupation was painter; that he was born April 9th 18 38 at Middlebury, Vt.

That his several places of residence since leaving the service have been as follows:
Waltham 10 yrs., Watertown 15 yrs. and
Maynard Mass 13 yrs.
(State date of each change, as nearly as possible.)

That he is now a pensioner. That he has heretofore applied for pension Ref. #47192 - \$12.
(If a pensioner, the certificate number only need be given. If not, give the number of the former application, if one was made.)

That he makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the pension roll of the United States under the provisions of the Act of February 6, 1907.

He hereby appoints F. A. BICKNELL, Deputy Commissioner of State Aid and Pensions, State House, Boston, his true and lawful attorney to prosecute his claim (Without fee);

That his post-office address is 28 Beach St. Waltham, county of Middlesex, State of Mass.

Alben R. Sumner
(Claimant's signature in full.)

Attest: (1) _____
(2) _____

Also personally appeared George H. Freeman, residing in Waltham and George E. Barber, residing in Waltham, persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me duly sworn, say that they were present and saw Alben R. Sumner, the claimant, sign his name (or make his mark) to the foregoing declaration; that they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of the claimant and their acquaintance with him of _____ years and _____ years, respectively, that he is the identical person he represents himself to be, and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

George H. Freeman
42 Prospect St. Waltham Mass
Geo. E. Barber
(Signatures of witnesses.)

SUBSCRIBED and sworn to before me this 10 day of April, A. D. 1908, and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration, etc., were fully made known and explained to the applicant and witnesses before swearing, including the words _____, erased, and the words _____, added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

[L. S.]



Henry C. Ball
(Signature.)
Justice of the Peace
(Official character.)
cert. on file

Claim for Invalid Pension.

State of Massachusetts } ss.
Middlesex County,

On this twelfth day of April A. D. 1865 personally appeared before me (1) B. L. Cam Clerk of the Superior Court, within and for the County and State aforesaid, (2) Alson R. Sumner aged twenty seven years, a resident of (3) Waltham in the State of Massachusetts who being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the identical (2) Alson R. Sumner who enlisted in the service of the United States, at Cambridge Mass. on the second day of July in the year 1861 as a (4) private in company K commanded by Captain Lindley of Watertown in the (6) Sixteenth Regiment of (7) Mass. Volunteers in the war of 1861, and was honorably discharged on the first day of July

in the year 1864; That while in the service aforesaid, and in the line of his duty, he received the following (8) disability viz: a wound in the right thigh by a rifle ball. This at or near Bull Run on or about the 29th of August 1862. That since leaving the service of the United States he has resided at Waltham in the County of Middlesex & State of Massachusetts & has been engaged a small portion of the time & worked a few hours each day as a painter.

And the said applicant declares that he has not been engaged in or aided or abetted the existing rebellion in the United States.

He hereby constitutes and appoints Edward L. Hill of Boston his attorney, with power of substitution, to prosecute his claim and procure a certificate. Hereby authorizing and empowering his said attorney to do all necessary and lawful acts and things whatsoever in the premises, except drawing the money, which will be hereafter provided for.

Read & intubined before signing: (9) Alson R. Sumner,

Also personally appeared Joseph E. Mackin a resident of Watertown Mass and James H. Smith a resident of Watertown Mass persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me duly sworn, say that they were present and saw him sign his name to the foregoing declaration; and they further swear, that they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of the applicant, and their acquaintance with him, that he is the identical person he represents himself to be, and they further state that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

(10) Joseph E. Mackin
James H. Smith

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this twelfth day of April A. D. 1865; and I hereby certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

(11) B. L. Cam Clerk

Post Office address of claimant Waltham, Mass