

APPLICATION FOR A NEW CERTIFICATE.

A blank space is left at the close of applicant's affidavit that the time, place, and manner of the loss or destruction of the original certificate may be set forth. In case of loss of certificate, it should be shown that proper efforts have been made for its recovery. The witness must swear that he or she well knows applicant to be the same person described in his or her affidavit, and the magistrate must certify that the deponent is a person of veracity. When a person acting as agent or attorney for a pensioner loses the certificate, the affidavit of that person, duly authenticated, is also required. The official character and signature of the officer before whom the affidavits are made must be authenticated by the certificate of the proper officer, under his seal of office.

These instructions must be strictly observed.

STATE OF New York, COUNTY OF Albany, ss.
 On this 20th day of March, 1889, before the subscriber,
Notary Public,
 appeared Catherine Decker who on oath declares that she is
 the widow of Minnie Decker who belonged to Company "A"
 in the 20th Regiment of NY Vol, in the service of the United States, in the
 war of the Rebellion; that her name was placed on the pension roll of the State
 of New York; that she received a pension certificate numbered 78123
 and bearing date the 30th day of January, 1868; that she was last
 paid at New York Agency, to include the 4th day of July, 1892,
 that she has not bartered, sold, assigned, or pledged her pension certificate, or any interest therein;
 but that on or about the 5th day of July, 1892, at or near
Five Hill Hotel - City of New York in Morning
it was misplaced or lost

My post-office address is Five Hill Hotel to NY.

(Signature of applicant.) Catherine Decker mark

Also, personally appeared Orvil Smith, who on oath declares
 that he well knows Catherine Decker, who has executed the foregoing
 affidavit, to be the identical pensioner named therein.

(Signature of witness.) Orvil Smith

I, U. S. Grant Burns,
 Sworn Magistrate, do hereby certify that the contents being first made known, and I
 certify that the aforesaid, the contents being first made known, and I