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Cert # 101628

Nancy Opliger  
Widow of

Daniel Opliger

Bundle # 49



Widow's Certificate File Number

WC 101628

OPLIGER

Soldier's Last Name

DANIEL

Soldier's First Name

Soldier's Middle Name/Initial

Company or F&S

11

Regiment, Battery  
Battalion or Militia

INDIANA

State, Territory, US Army,  
US VRC, US Vols, USCT

Infantry

Cavalry

Or Military Unit: \_\_\_\_\_

LIGHT Artillery \_\_\_\_\_

Pensioner(s)

OPLIGER

Pensioner's Last Name

NANCY

Pensioner's First Name/M

ANDREW

(if applicable) Maiden Name

Pensioner's Last Name

Pensioner's First Name/M

Pensioner's Last Name

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Pensioner's Last Name

Pensioner's First Name/M

Relationship of Pensioner(s) to Soldier:

- Widow
- Mother
- Minor(s)
- Father
- Sister(s)
- Brother(s)



CLAIM FOR WIDOW'S PENSION.

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BRIEF in the case of

Nancy Opliger  
Daniel Opliger

, Widow of

resident of

Allen

County and State of

Private 11<sup>th</sup> Batty, Ind. & Evls,  
Indiana.

Post Office address

Fort Wayne Indiana.

DECLARATION AND IDENTIFICATION IN DUE FORM.

PROOF EXHIBITED.

Service.

Adj. Genl reports Daniel Opliger enrolled  
"July" 26 1864 and Died July 10 1864,  
at New Albany Ind.

Death.

Surg. Genl reports same of  
Typhoid Fever. Lieut. testified to  
death as above from Erysipelas &  
Typhoid Fever contracted in service  
in line of duty.

Marriage.

Daniel Opliger & Nancy Andrew united  
Apr, 4<sup>th</sup> 1850. Certified copy of Ct. record.

Names  
and dates  
of birth of  
children.

No children

Loyalty.

swered.

Agent  
and his P.  
O. address.

W. J. Kerr. Ft Wayne Indiana,

Admitted

Oct 12<sup>th</sup>

, 1867, to a Pension of \$ 8,

per month,

commencing

July 10<sup>th</sup>

, 1864,

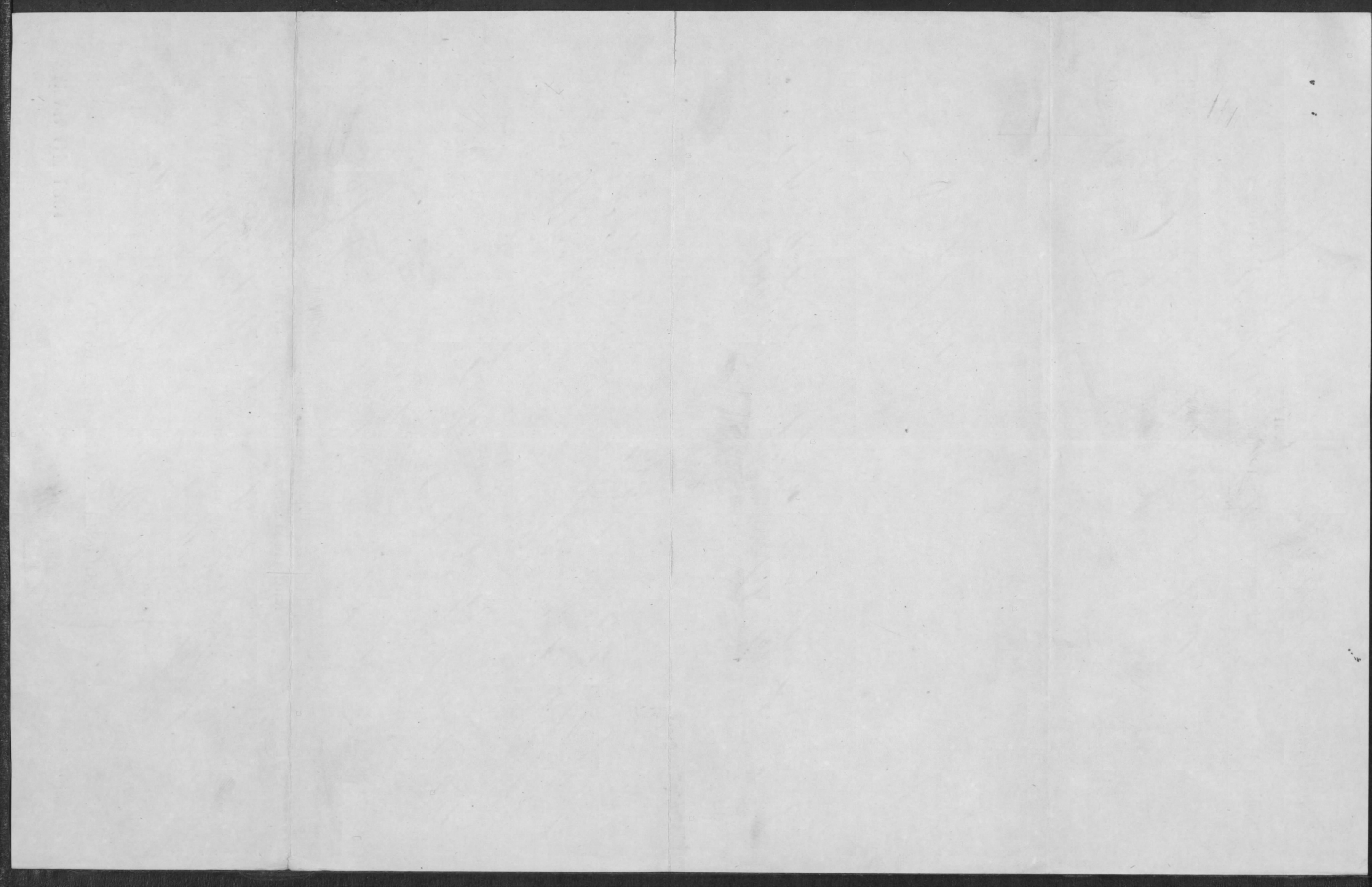
Appd.

S. G. S.

J. C. Clark

, Examining Clerk.







# Widow's Declaration for Pension.

STATE OF Indiana }  
COUNTY OF Allen } SS.

On this 4<sup>th</sup> day of February 1867, before me Commissioner of U.S. Circuit Court, in and for the County and State above named, personally appeared Nancy Opliger who, first being duly sworn according to law, declares and says that she is aged 44 years, that she is a resident of Washington Township, County of Allen, State of Indiana, and that she is the widow of Daniel Opliger who was a Private in Company untermasted commanded by Captain untermasted of the 11<sup>th</sup> Battery Regiment of Indiana Volunteers, commanded by Colonel untermasted in the war of 1861-2-3 & 4,

with the so-called Confederate States, and that she has not in any way been engaged in or aided or abetted the existing rebellion in the United States, and that her husband enlisted at Fort Wayne Indiana on or about the        day of March A. D. 1864, for the term of three years, and continued in actual service in said war until

the 10<sup>th</sup> day of July 1864 when he died of Typhoid Fever, in connection with, or resulting in Erysipelas in Hospital No 6 New Albany Indiana, that said disease was contracted on or about April the 3<sup>rd</sup> 1864 while in camp at Indianapolis Indiana, while in the line of duty in the service of the United States

, and the cause of his death was as above stated and received while in the service of the United States as aforesaid.

That she was married to the said Daniel Opliger on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of April 1850, at Allen County Indiana by one L. S. Farmer a Minister that her husband, the aforesaid Daniel Opliger died on the day above mentioned; that her name before said marriage was Nancy Andrew, that she has remained a widow since the death of her said husband, as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed. And she further states that she believes there is a public record of her said marriage and        private record of said marriage a certified copy of said marriage record is herewith sent that there are no children the issue, of said marriage

She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the Pension to which she is entitled by reason of the service and death of her said husband, under the act of Congress approved July 14th, 1862, and all subsequent acts thereto. And she hereby constitutes and appoints H. P. Kerr of Fort Wayne Ind her attorney to prosecute this claim and procure a certificate. My Post office address is Fort Wayne Ind

Nancy Opliger  
Signature of Petitioner.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Witnesses.

Also, at the same time and place, before me, the aforesaid clerk, in and for said county, personally came Hester A. Rosewell and John H. Jacobs residents of Wayne Township in the county of Allen State aforesaid, who, being first duly sworn according to law, declare that they are personally acquainted with Mrs. Nancy Opliger widow of Daniel Opliger and that they were present and saw her sign her name, or make her mark, to the foregoing declaration, and were acquainted with her and her said husband for the last        years before he entered said service, of the United States and know that they lived together as man and wife, and were so reputed and respected among their friends and relations; that affiants resided within three miles of said declarant during all of



*Sarah Tison*..... that she is the widow of the identical *Daniel Opliger*  
 ..... who performed the military service mentioned in said declaration, and has  
 remained a widow since his death; that their knowledge of the identity of her husband with the sol-  
 dier is derived from their own personal acquaintance, *that said applicant never*  
*engaged in or aided or abetted the late rebellion*  
*of the United States*

and from their acquaintance with her know that she is the identical person she represents herself to  
 be. And they further testify that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

Witnesses, *Hester A. Rockwell*  
*John H. Jacobs*

Subscribed, acknowledged and sworn to before me, and I certify that I have no interest, direct  
 or indirect in the prosecution of this claim; that I believe the affiants to be creditable persons,  
 and the declarant is the person she represents herself to be; and that I am the legal custodian  
 of the seal of said court hereto affixed, and now in my possession.

**Widow's Claim for Pension.**

Act of July 15th, 1862, and Amendments  
 thereto.

*Daniel Opliger* Dec.  
*Co. 4th, N. B. Cavalry Regt.*  
*Indiana Volunteers.*

Name *Raney Opliger*  
 Town *Fort Wayne*  
 County *Allen*  
 State *Indiana*

*W. J. Kern*  
 Atty for Applicant.  
*Wm. H. Kern*  
*And*



Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, D. C.,

June 27, 1867.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt from your Office of application for Pension No. 142,758, and to return it herewith, with such information as is furnished by the files of this Office.

It appears from the Rolls on file in this Office, that Daniel Opliger was enrolled on the 20 day of Feb., 1864, at Ft. Wayne in Co. 11, Batty. Regiment of Cav. L. Art. Volunteers, to serve 3 years, or during the war, and mustered into service as a Pvt. on the 4 day of March 1864, at Andover, in Co. 11, Batty. Regiment of Cav. L. Art. Volunteers, to serve 3 years, or during the war. On the Muster Roll of Co. of that Regiment, for the months of Batty., dated Jan. 7. 1865, he is reported: "Died July 10. 1864. at New Albany, Ind."

I am, Sir, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Chas. Beck

The Commissioner of Pensions,  
Washington, D. C.

Assistant Adjutant General  
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Memoranda

Name of applicant

Address

W. M.



(No. 16.)

Department of the Interior,  
PENSION OFFICE,

June 26, 1867.

Sir:

You are respectfully requested to furnish official evidence of the enrollment, muster, service, duty, and cause of death of Daniel Opilger, who was a Private in Co. 11, Battery Regiment of Indiana Vols., reported died July 15, 1864, New Albany Ind

If the above name is not found on the Rolls of said Company, will you so state, and report as to enrollment, &c., in the case of any man bearing a similar name whom you have good reason for believing to be the soldier inquired for. When the Rolls show him to have been a Prisoner of War, let that fact be reported.

Please attach this Circular to your report, and return the same to this Office.

No. 142,758

Respectfully, yours,

Joseph M. Barrett

Commissioner.

The Adjutant General, U. S. A.,

Washington, D. C.



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Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, D. C.,

March 29<sup>th</sup>, 1867.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt from your Office of application for Pension No. 142,758, and to return it herewith, with such information as is furnished by the files of this Office.

It appears from the Rolls on file in this Office, that Daniel Opliger was enrolled on the 26 day of Feby, 1864, at Fort Wayne in Co. G, 11<sup>th</sup> Battery Regiment of Ind. Lt. Art. Volunteers, to serve 3 years, or during the war, and mustered into service as a Priv on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of March 1864, at Indianapolis Ind in Co. G, 11<sup>th</sup> Battery Regiment of Ind. Lt. Art. Volunteers, to serve 3 years, or during the war. On the Muster Roll of Co. of that Battery, for the months of dated Jan'y 7<sup>th</sup> 1865, he is reported "Died July 10 - 1864 at New Albany Ind."

I am, Sir, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Chas. P. Cook

Assistant Adjutant General.

The Commissioner of Pensions,

Washington, D. C.

Memoranda.

Name of applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

File  
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Surgeon General's Office,

RECORD AND PENSION DIVISION,

Washington, D. C., *Apr 24<sup>th</sup>*, 1867.

Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that *Daniel Opliger* *Pl*  
Co. *11 Ind Batt* *Regiment*, is reported to this  
Office by *Act* Surgeon *E. S. Crozier*, as having died  
*July 10<sup>th</sup>*, 1867, at *New Albany Ind* in  
*Genl Hospital No 6. of Typhoid Fever*

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

BY ORDER OF THE SURGEON GENERAL:

*J J Woodward*

Brevet Major and Asst. Surgeon, U. S. Army.

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*F. L.*



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BY ORDER OF THE SHERIFF GENERAL

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Be it Known, That on the 13 day of April 1850  
a **MARRIAGE LICENSE** was duly issued in the words and figures fol-  
lowing, to-wit:

**INDIANA, TO-WIT: ALLEN COUNTY.**

To All who shall see these Presents Greeting:

Know Ye, That any person legally authorized to solemnize Matrimony, is here-  
by licensed to join in Marriage as Husband and Wife, Samuel  
Oliver and Fancy Andrew  
and for so doing this shall be sufficient authority.

In Testimony Whereof I, R. E. Fleming  
Clerk of the Allen Circuit Court, hereunto subscribe my name and af-  
fix the seal of said Court, this 13 day of April 1850

R. E. Fleming Clerk.

And they were married, as appears by the following Certificate:

**INDIANA, TO-WIT: ALLEN COUNTY.**

This Certifies that I joined in Marriage as Husband and Wife,  
Samuel Oliver and Fancy Andrew  
on the fourteenth day of April 1850  
J. H. Harmer Minister

State of Indiana, Allen County, ss:

I, WM. FLEMING Clerk of the Allen Circuit Court, do hereby certify that the  
above and foregoing is a true and complete transcript of the Marriage License issued and the  
return made thereto in the matter of the Marriage of Samuel Oliver  
to Fancy Andrew as appears of Record in my Office.

In Witness Whereof, I hereunto subscribe my name and  
affix the seal of said Court, at Fort Wayne, this 14<sup>th</sup>  
day of Feb 1867

W. Fleming Clerk.  
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No. 142,758

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ACT OF JULY 14, 1862.

Nancy Opliger.

Allen Co. Ind.

Widow of

Daniel Opliger.

Priv 11 Baty Ind. v.

Died at New Albany Ind.  
"Genl."

Pension Office,

....., 186 .

Respectfully referred to the Adjutant  
General, for official evidence of service  
and death.

Joseph H. Barrett

Commissioner.

Received, July 25, 1867.

W. J. Kern

St. Wayne

Ind.,

Attorney.



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Indiana

Nancy Opliger,

Widow of  
Daniel Opliger,

Rank Private,

Company

Regiment 11 Paddy Ind. Vol.

St Wayne Agency.

Rate per month \$ 8,

Commencing 10 July 1861,

Certificate dated 26 Oct 1867,

and sent to H. J. Kerr,

St Wayne,

Ind.

Act 14th July, 1862.

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Laska, Clerk



Reimbursement Act Mar. 2, 189 .  
Accounting Officer's Certificate  
No. 39,161 for \$ 25.20  
Appropriation 1903 Returned to  
Interior Department for filing  
JUN 22 1903 C.F.R.



# ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE.

State of Indiana }  
County of Allen } SS.

On this 19<sup>th</sup> day of February 1867, before me, the undersigned, Commissioner of U.S. Circuit Court within and for said county, personally came John H. Jacobs late 1<sup>st</sup> Lieut. of the 11<sup>th</sup> Battery Indiana Volunteers whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit; who being by me first duly sworn, says that he was late 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant of the 11<sup>th</sup> Battery Indiana Volunteers, and that he was personally acquainted with Daniel Opliger, late a Private of the aforesaid Battery, and that affiant recruited said Opliger on or about the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February 1864 for three years; that at the time of said enlistment, said Opliger was an able bodied healthy man, and that on or about the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April 1864, while in line of duty, and without fault or improper conduct of his, in camp at Indianapolis Indiana, said Opliger was attacked by Typhoid Fever which continued to increase in severity until he arrived at Nashville Tennessee on or about the 15<sup>th</sup> day of April 1864, at which last named place said Opliger was placed in hospital, in consequence of said disability, accompanied with Erysipelas; and that said soldier was removed to hospital No. 6, at New Albany Indiana where he died on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of July 1864 of Typhoid Fever and Erysipelas, contracted while in line of duty in the service of the United States, as above stated. That affiant is personally acquainted with the facts of the health of said Opliger, at the time of his enlistment in said service, and the time and place of the contraction of the aforesaid disability; but that his knowledge of the death of said soldier is derived from official information sent to said Battery.

That all of said facts are within the personal <sup>and official</sup> knowledge of this affiant, and he has no interest in said application. All of which matters are true, as he verily believes.

John H. Jacobs, late 1<sup>st</sup> Lt 11<sup>th</sup> Ind. Batty.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19<sup>th</sup> day of February 1867, and I certify that I have no interest whatever in the above affidavit, and that it was carefully read over to said affiant before signing, and he understood the same. That I am the legal custodian of the seal hereto affixed and in my possession.

Dr. Whedon Commissioner  
U.S. Circuit Court for Indiana







**ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE.**

*In Application No. \_\_\_\_\_*

*of Nancy Opliger widow  
of Daniel Opliger deceased late  
Private 4th U.S. Battery Regt*

*Inds. Vol.*

*W. J. Kerr*

*Attorney ,  
Fort Wayne, Ind.*



Department of the Interior,  
PENSION OFFICE,

Aug. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1867.

SIR:

In the claim for pension of Nancy Opliger  
No. 142,758, a new declaration is required. *Declarations* must be made before a court of record, or before some officer of such court duly authorized to administer oaths, and having custody of its seal; and the officer administering the oath must sign his own name to the certificate of the fact, and not by deputy. The identifying witnesses must appear with the claimant before the officer above named. The claimant must state particularly the time when, place where, and circumstances under which the alleged disability originated or appeared. *Testimony* may be taken before a justice of the peace, but in no case will any evidence be received that is verified before an officer who has any interest in the prosecution of the claim. The post office address of the claimant must be distinctly stated, and in large cities the street and number of his residence are desired.

Respectfully, yours,

Joseph D. Barnett

Commissioner.

N. B.—Endorse the words "*Additional Evidence*" upon the Envelope of all papers addressed to this office upon business already before it; also, the number of the application to which they refer, and the name of the claimant.

W. J. Ross,  
St. Wayne  
Ind<sup>a</sup>

J. C. C.

Attest:

Nancy Opliger  
Signature of Petitioner.  
Witnesses.

Also, at the same time and place, before me, the aforesaid clerk, in and for said county, personally came Joseph D. Barnett and Wm. McQuiston residents of St. Wayne in the county of Allen State aforesaid, who, being first duly sworn according to law, declare that they are personally acquainted with Mrs. Nancy Opliger widow of Daniel Opliger and that they were present and saw her sign her name, or make her mark, to the foregoing declaration, and were acquainted with her and her said husband for the last seven years before he entered said service, of the United States and know that they lived together as man and wife, and were so reputed and respected among their friends and relations; that affiants resided within one miles of said declarant during all of



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# Widow's Declaration for Pension.

STATE OF Indiana }  
COUNTY OF Allen } SS.

On this 10<sup>th</sup> day of September 1867, before me ~~Commissioner of the Circuit~~ Court, in and for the County and State above named, personally appeared Nancy Opliger who, first being duly sworn according to law, declares and says that she is aged 44 years, that she is a resident of Washington Township, County of Allen, State of Indiana, and that she is the widow of Daniel Opliger who was a Private in Company Intermuske commanded by Captain Intermuske of the 11<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Indiana Volunteers, commanded by Colonel Intermuske in the war of 1861-2-3 & 4,

with the so-called Confederate States, and that she has not in any way been engaged in or aided or abetted the existing rebellion in the United States, and that her husband enlisted at Fort Wayne Indiana on or about the 26<sup>th</sup> day of February A. D. 1864, for the term of three years, and continued in actual service in said war until

July the 10<sup>th</sup> 1864 when he died in Hospital No. 6 at New Albany Indiana of Typhoid Fever contracted in or about the 5<sup>th</sup> of April 1864 at Indianapolis Indiana in a camp, and on his arrival at Knoxville Tennessee, about the 15<sup>th</sup> of April 1864, he was suffering from said fever and typhoid, and was placed in Hospital at said place, where removed to Hospital No. 6, New Albany Indiana where he died of the disability as above stated 1864, and the cause of his death was as above stated and received while in the service of the United States as aforesaid.

That she was married to the said Daniel Opliger on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of April 1850, at Allen County Ind. by one J. D. James a Minister that her husband, the aforesaid Daniel Opliger died on the day above mentioned; that her name before said marriage was Nancy Andrew, that she has remained a widow since the death of her said husband, as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed. And she further states that she believes there is a public record of her said marriage and ~~private record of said marriage~~ a certified copy of which is now on file in application No 142,758 in the Pension Department Affiant further says that there are no children the issue of said marriage

She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the Pension to which she is entitled by reason of the service and death of her said husband, under the act of Congress approved July 14th, 1862, and all subsequent acts thereto. And she hereby constitutes and appoints W. F. Kerr of Fort Wayne Indiana her attorney to prosecute this claim and procure a certificate. My Post office address is Fort Wayne Indiana

Attest: Nancy Opliger Signature of Petitioner.  
Witnesses.

Also, at the same time and place, before me, the aforesaid clerk, in and for said county, personally came John H. Jacobs and Wm. H. Quiston residents of Fort Wayne in the county of Allen State aforesaid, who, being first duly sworn according to law, declare that they are personally acquainted with Mrs. Nancy Opliger widow of Daniel Opliger and that they were present and saw her sign her name, or make her mark, to the foregoing declaration, and were acquainted with her and her said husband for the last several years before he entered said service, of the United States and know that they lived together as man and wife, and were so reputed and respected among their friends and relations; that affiants resided within all of miles of said declarant during all of



*Said Time*..... that she is the widow of the identical *Daniel*.....  
*Officer*..... who performed the military service mentioned in said declaration, and has  
 remained a widow since his death; that their knowledge of the identity of her husband with the sol-  
 dier is derived from their own personal acquaintance *with him, that she was*  
*never engaged in, or aided or abetted the late Rebel-*  
*ion in the United States*

and from their acquaintance with her know that she is the identical person she represents herself to  
 be. And they further testify that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

Witnesses, { *Wm. McGuist*  
*John Jacobs*

Subscribed, acknowledged and sworn to before me, and I certify that I have no interest, direct  
 or indirect in the prosecution of this claim; that I believe the affiants to be creditable persons,  
 and the declarant is the person she represents herself to be; and that I am the legal custodian  
 of the seal ~~of said court~~ hereto affixed, and now in my possession.

*D. D. Whiston* Commissioner  
 U.S. Circuit Court  
 for Indiana



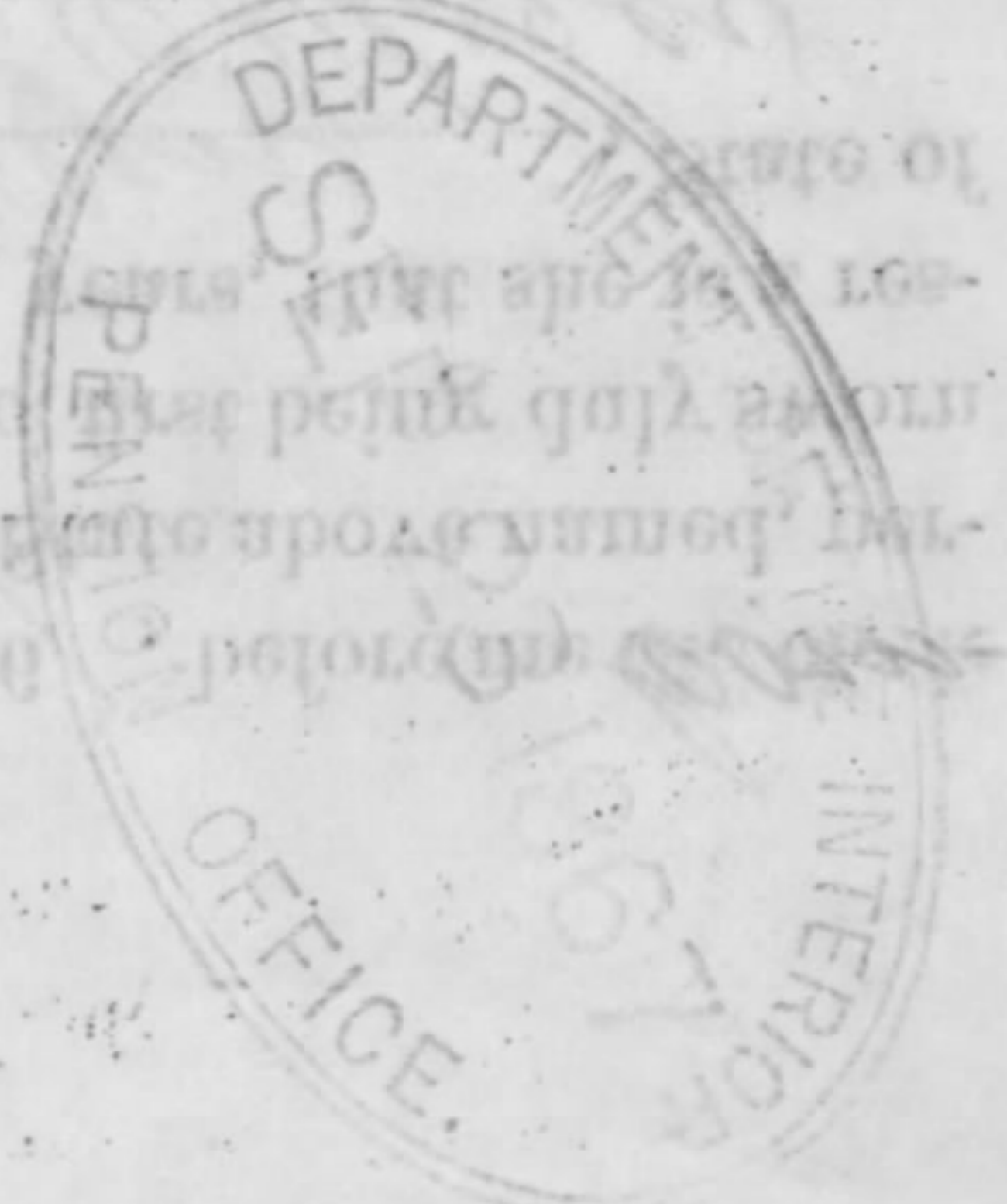
**Widow's Claim for Pension.**

Act of July 14th, 1862, and Amendments  
 thereto.

*Daniel Ophiger* Deco.  
*John M. Baugh* Capt.  
*Indiana* Volunteers.

Name *Fanny Ophiger*  
 Town *Fort Wayne*  
 County *Allen*  
 State *Indiana*

*W. J. Kerr*  
 Atty for Applicant.







(ACT OF JULY 14, 1862.—CIRCULAR No. 10.)

Department of the Interior,  
PENSION OFFICE,

Sept 30, 1867.

SIR:

In the claim for pension of *Nancy Opliger*  
No. *142758*, a new declaration is required. *Declarations* must be made before a court of record, or before some officer of such court duly authorized to administer oaths, and having custody of its seal; and the officer administering the oath must sign his own name to the certificate of the fact, and not by deputy. The identifying witnesses must appear with the claimant before the officer above named. The claimant must state particularly the time when, place where, and circumstances under which the alleged disability originated or appeared. *Testimony* may be taken before a justice of the peace, but in no case will any evidence be received that is verified before an officer who has any interest in the prosecution of the claim. The post office address of the claimant must be distinctly stated, and in large cities the street and number of his residence are desired.

Respectfully, yours,

*Joseph H. Barrett*

Commissioner.

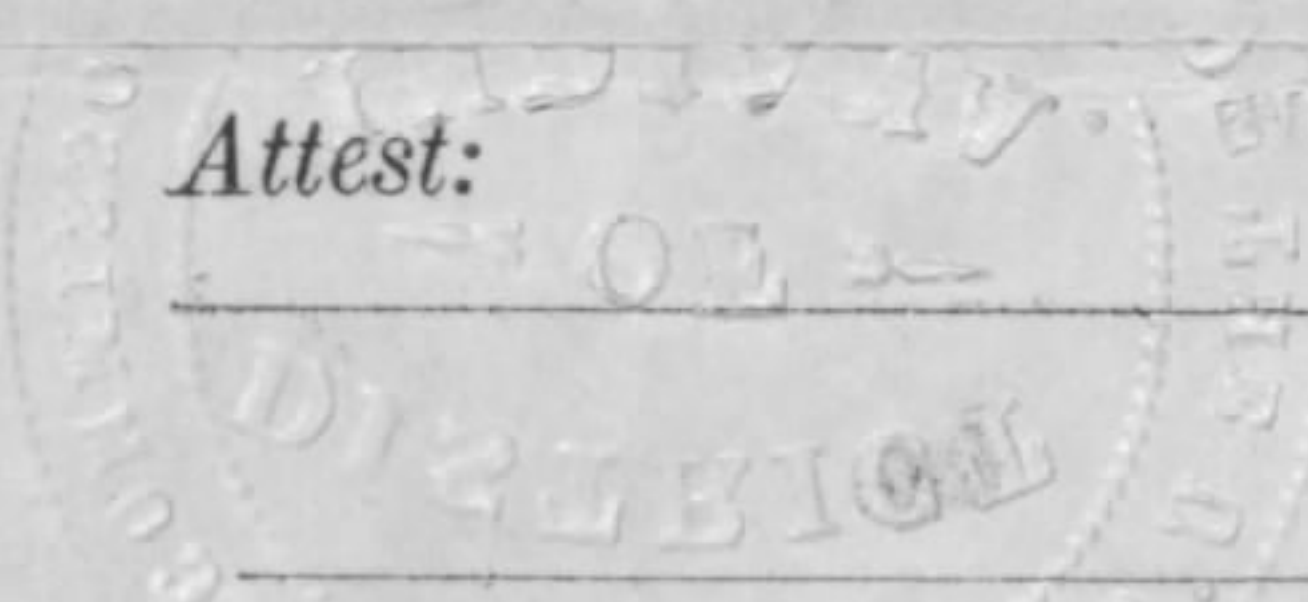
N. B.—Endorse the words "*Additional Evidence*" upon the Envelope of all papers addressed to this office upon business already before it; also, the number of the application to which they refer, and the name of the claimant.

*J. C. C.*

*W. J. Kerr,*

*Fort Wayne  
Ind*

Attest:



Witnesses.

Also, at the same time and place, before me, the aforesaid clerk, in and for said county, personally came *William Anderson* and *George W. Anderson* residents of *El River Township* in the county of *Allen* State aforesaid, who, being first duly sworn according to law, declare that they are personally acquainted with Mrs. *Nancy Opliger* widow of *Daniel Opliger* and that they were present and saw her sign her name, or make her mark, to the foregoing declaration, and were acquainted with her and her said husband for the last *twelve* years before he entered said service, *of the United States* and know that they lived together as man and wife, and were so reputed and respected among their friends and relations; that affiants resided within *2 1/2* miles of said declarant during *all of*

*Signature of Petitioner*



San'y Obliger

Continuation of Declaration for Extension



# Widow's Declaration for Pension.

STATE OF Indiana }  
COUNTY OF Allen } SS.

On this 9<sup>th</sup> day of October 1867, before me Commissioner of U.S. Circuit Court, in and for the County and State above named, personally appeared Harney Opliger who, first being duly sworn according to law, declares and says that she is aged 44 years, that she is a resident of Washington Township, County of Allen, State of Indiana, and that she is the widow of Daniel Opliger who was a Private in Company Intermist commanded by Captain W. W. W. of the 11<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Indiana Volunteers, commanded by Colonel W. W. W. in the war of 1861-2-3 & 4,

with the so-called Confederate States, and that she has not in any way been engaged in or aided or abetted the existing rebellion in the United States, and that her husband enlisted at Fort Wayne Indiana on or about the 20<sup>th</sup> day of February A. D. 1864, for the term of three years, and continued in actual service in said war until July the 10<sup>th</sup> 1864 when he died in Hospital No "6" New Albany Indiana of Dysphoid, Liver & Erysipelas contracted in camp at Indianapolis Indiana on or about the 8<sup>th</sup> day of April 1864 while in line of duty in said service, that there are no children the issue of said marriage ~~are~~, and the cause of his death was as above stated and received while in the service of the United States as aforesaid.

That she was married to the said Daniel Opliger on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of April 1850, at Allen County Indiana by one L. J. Farmer a Minister that her husband, the aforesaid Daniel Opliger died on the day above mentioned; that her name before said marriage was Harney Andrew, that she has remained a widow since the death of her said husband, as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed. And she further states that she believes there is a public record of her said marriage, ~~and a certified private record of said marriage~~ copy of the record of the same is now on file in your Department in application No 142-73-8. She further says as above stated; that there are no children living, the issue of said marriage

She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the Pension to which she is entitled by reason of the service and death of her said husband, under the act of Congress approved July 14th, 1862, and all subsequent acts thereto. And she hereby constitutes and appoints P. J. Kerr of Fort Wayne Ind her attorney to prosecute this claim and procure a certificate. My Post office address is Fort Wayne Indiana

Attest: Harney Opliger Signature of Petitioner  
Witnesses.

Also, at the same time and place, before me, the aforesaid clerk, in and for said county, personally came William Anderson and George W. Anderson residents of El River Township in the county of Allen State aforesaid, who, being first duly sworn according to law, declare that they are personally acquainted with Mrs. Harney Opliger widow of Daniel Opliger and that they were present and saw her sign her name, or make her mark, to the foregoing declaration, and were acquainted with her and her said husband for the last twelve years before he entered said service, of the United States and know that they lived together as man and wife, and were so reputed and respected among their friends and relations; that affiants resided within 2 1/2 miles of said declarant during all of



*Said* that she is the widow of the identical *Daniel* *Opliger* who performed the military service mentioned in said declaration, and has remained a widow since his death; that their knowledge of the identity of her husband with the soldier is derived from their own personal acquaintance *with the parents of said* *Henry and Daniel Opliger. Affiants further say that they* *know that there are no children the issue of said parents* and from their acquaintance with her know that she is the identical person she represents herself to be. And they further testify that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

Witnesses, { *William Anderson*  
*George Anderson*

Subscribed, acknowledged and sworn to before me, and I certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect in the prosecution of this claim; that I believe the affiants to be creditable persons, and the declarant is the person she represents herself to be; and that I am the legal custodian of the seal of said court hereto affixed, and now in my possession.

*D. P. Whidoin*  
Commissioner U.S. Circuit  
Court for Indiana

**Widow's Claim for Pension.**

Act of July 15th, 1862, and Amendments thereto.

*Daniel Opliger Dec.*  
*of the U.S. Cavalry Regt.*  
*Indiana Volunteers.*

Name *Henry Opliger*  
Town *Fort Wayne*  
County *Allen*  
State *Indiana*

*M. J. Fern*  
Att'y for Applicant.

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STATE OF

Widow's Declaration for Pension.



Fort Wayne Ind  
June 28<sup>th</sup> 1867

Hon Joseph H. Barrett  
Commissioner of Pensions  
Dear Sir

I herewith respectfully return  
for reference, Pension Office circular No 10 relating to appli-  
-cation No 14276-8, in case of Harney Opliger, widow of Daniel  
Opliger deceased Private of the 11<sup>th</sup> Ind. Battery. In relation to  
which I will respectfully state, that if I recollect aright, said  
declaration was executed before D. S. Whedon Commissioner  
of the Circuit Court of the U. S. for the District of Indiana, and  
to which his signature and seal are affixed; and I will  
further state that if said Commissioner's signature and  
seal are affixed, as above referred to, and as I believe to  
be the case, then said declaration was executed in the  
same manner that many others have been, and upon  
which your Department have issued certificates. Now  
if I am not correct in the above statement, you will  
have the kindness to let me know, and I will do  
all in my power to comply with your request at an  
early a period as possible; by answering at your leisure  
you will much oblige,  
Yours Respectfully  
Wm. J. Kerr



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PENSION OFFICE.