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Mary E.
Hiram E.
Susannah
Tobias
minors of Hiram Hamilton

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Springfield

# WAR OF 1861.

Act of July 14, 1862.

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Hamilton v

## CLAIM FOR MINORS' PENSION.

BRIEF in the case of Mary E. Hamilton, Hiram E. Susannah & Hamilton & Tobias Hamilton

minor children of Hiram Hamilton. Priv. Co. D. 31st Ill Vols.

Residence of guardian Tazewell County and State of Ill

Post Office address Pekin Ill

DECLARATION AND IDENTIFICATION IN DUE FORM.

PROOF EXHIBITED.

**Service.** Rolls show Muster April 21/62 a Priv Co. D. 31st Ill Vols & Killed in Action June 26/63.

# Pension Granted the widow & over paid $2.13. which has been refunded. See Rect. herewith.

**Death.**

**Marriage of parents.** Certified Copy of Public record

**Names and dates of birth of minors.** Mary E. born Sept. 11/52. Hiram Edmond. born Jany 3/55. — Susannah born April 26/57 & Tobias Hamilton March 6/59.

**Death or remarriage of mother.** Re-married. Certificate of herewith. Sept. 28, 1865

**Guardianship.** certified Copy of Letters of —

**Agent and his P. O. address.** A. B. Sawyer Pekin Ills

Admitted April 4, 1866, to a Pension of $ 8.00 per month, commencing Sept. 28, 1865, ending Mar. 6, 1875, and payable to Silpha Dohl —, Guardian.

Exd. John S. Pole Examining Clerk.

# The pension of the Mother was not overpaid & was LFT Wrong to make her refund

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DECLARATION FOR MINOR CHILDREN TO OBTAIN ARMY PENSION.—CULVER, PAGE & HOYNE, Stationers, 128 and 130 Lake St., Chicago

STATE OF Illinois } ss.
Tazewell COUNTY.

On this 6th day of January A.D. 1866, personally appeared before me, the undersigned, Clerk of the County Court, in and for the County and State above named, and by law duly authorized to administer oaths for general purposes, Zilpha Hohl who, being by me first duly sworn according to law, deposes and says, that she resides at No. Pekin in the County of Tazewell State of Illinois and is aged 34 years, and on her oath declares, That she is the legally appointed Guardian of Mary E. Hamilton. Hiram Edmond Hamilton. Susannah Hamilton & Tobias Hamilton who are the only surviving children under sixteen years of age, of Hiram Hamilton who was a Private in Company D of the 31st Regiment of Illinois Volunteers, Infantry in the civil war of 1861-3, for suppression of the Rebellion against the United States Government, and that she and her said wards have not in any way been engaged in, or aided or abetted said rebellion. That her said wards are not now in receipt of a Pension under any act of Congress, and that she makes this declaration as Guardian and on behalf of her said wards for the purpose of having their names placed on the Army Pension List of the United States, under the provisions of the Act of Congress entitled "An Act to grant Pensions," approved July 14, 1862, to commence on the 20th day of September 1865; and requests that they be inscribed on the Roll of the Springfield Ills Agency.

That the said Hiram Hamilton father of her said wards died at Vicksburg Mississippi on or about the 26th day of June 1863, by reason of Wounds Rec'd in Battle in the Service of the United States, and in the line of his duty; that the mother of the children aforesaid died (or again married, being now the wife of) Edward Hohl on the 20th day of September A.D. 1865; and also that Hiram Hamilton and Zilpha Wilder the parents of said wards were married at Circleville Ills on the 2nd day of December A.D. 1851, by one George Pike a Justice of the Peace; that she believes there is a public record of their marriage, and that there is a private record; and that the date of the birth and present residence of said wards is as follows:

Mary E. Hamilton Born Sept 11th 1852
Hiram Edmond Hamilton " Jan 8th 1855
Susannah Hamilton " Apr 26th 1857
Tobias Hamilton " March 6th 1864

And she hereby constitutes and appoints A. B. Sawyer of Pekin Ills her Attorney to prosecute this claim and procure a Pension Certificate.

Attest
C. J. Whitney

Zilphat Hohl *Guardian.*

Post Office Address, Pekin
Tazewell County Ills

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And also on the 6th day of January 1866, personally came before me Edward Hohl and John Vansel residents of Pekin in the County of Tazewell and State of Illinois persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me first duly sworn according to law, declare that they are personally acquainted with Zilphia Hohl and say that they were present and saw her sign her mark her name to the foregoing declaration and Power of Attorney. And they further swear that, from the appearance of the applicant, and their acquaintance with her and the above mentioned wards, they believe them to be the identical persons she represent herself and them to be. And they further testify that, according to their best knowledge and belief, all the averments in said declaration are true, and that they reside as above stated, and have no interest in the prosecution of this claim, and that said children are living at the date of said Guardian's declaration.

Edward Hohl
John Vansel } *Witnesses.*

The above application and affidavit of witnesses were duly sworn to and subscribed, and Power of Attorney acknowledged, before me this 6th day of January A.D. 1866, and I hereby certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

W W Clemens Clerk of the County *Court.*

**STATE OF** ..... }
..... COUNTY. } ss.

I, ..... Clerk of the County Court in and for the County and State above named, do hereby certify that ..... Esq., before whom the foregoing declaration and affidavits were made, and Power of Attorney acknowledged, and who has thereunto signed his name, was, at the time of so doing, an acting Judge of the aforesaid Court in and for the said County and State above named, duly commissioned and sworn, that all his official acts, as such, are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature thereto is genuine. And I further certify that ..... whose signature appears to the annexed oath of identity, as guardian of .....

..... was appointed guardian of said ward on the ..... day of ..... 18 , and is still the legal and acting guardian of said ward , as appears by the record of said Court.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of said Court, at ..... in said county, this ..... day of ..... A. D. 186

..... *Clerk.*

## NOTE.

Instructions of the Commissioner of Pensions require that this application be accompanied by

Proof of "The marriage of the parents;"
"The death of the father;"
"The death or subsequent marriage of the mother;" also
"The names and ages of all the children under the age of sixteen years at the time of the father's decease, and the place of their residence."
In default of record evidence, the legality of the marriage may be ascertained by the certificate of the clergyman who joined him in wedlock, or by the testimony of [two] respectable persons having knowledge of the fact.

No. .....

# MINORS' CLAIM FOR ARMY PENSION.

DECLARATION OF

Sylvia Hoshi .....

Guardian of Minor Children of

Minerva Hannibal .....

Co....., ..... Regiment,

..... Vols.....

Under Act of July 14, 1862.

APPLICANT'S ADDRESS.

Post Office ..... Perkins .....

..... Nazareth .....County,

State of..... Illinois .....

Forwarded by

..... McDonald & Murphy .....

of..... Chicago .....

..... Kane .....County,

State of..... Illinois .....

*Attorney.*

Culver, Page & Hoyne, Stationers, 128 and 130 Lake St., Chicago.

PENSION OFFICE
JAN 24 1866

Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, D. C.,

August 25th, 1863.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt from your Office of application for Pension No. 29863, 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 Hiram S. Hamilton was enrolled on the 22d day of August, 1861, at Vienna in Co. D, 31st Regiment of Illinois Infty Volunteers, to serve 3 years, or during the war, and mustered into service as a Private on the 21st day of April, 1862, at Fort Donelson Tenn, in Co. D, 31st Regiment of Illinois Infty Volunteers, to serve 3 years, or during the war. On the Muster Roll of Co. D of that Regiment, for the months of May & June, 1863, he is reported "Killed in action in rear of Vicksburg, June 26: 63".

I am, Sir, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Saml Breck

Assistant Adjutant General.

(2.)

The Commissioner of Pensions,

Washington, D. C.

Memoranda.

Name of applicant, Zelpha Hamilton

Address, Lucasville

Tazewell Co

Ill

C. T.

"A"

STATE OF ILLINOIS. } ss.
Tazewell County.

I, **JOHN GRIDLEY,** Clerk of the county court within and for the county and state aforesaid, do hereby certify that Hiram Hamilton and Julpha Wilder were duly married according to law, on the 5th day of October A. D. 1851, by G. H. Pike a Justice of the Peace as appears of record in my office.

**In Testimony Whereof,** I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, at Pekin, this 6th day of August A. D. 1863.

John Gridley CLERK COUNTY COURT.

Jas E. Rhodes Dep.

**State of Illinois,** }
TAZEWELL COUNTY. } ss.

I, ~~JOHN GRIDLEY~~ W W Simms, clerk of the county court within and for the county and state aforesaid, do hereby certify that Edward Stahl and Sylphy Hamilton were duly married according to law on the 25th day of September A. D. 1865, by Geo Andre a Minister of the Gospel as appears of record in my office.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed ~~my official~~ seal, at Pekin, this 28th day of March A. D. 1866.

W W Simms Clerk County Court

Marriage Record

Edwards, Hall

vs

Lilpha Hamilton

State of Illinois }
Tazewell County } ss

On this 19th day of January
A. D. 1866 personally appeared before me a
Clerk of the County Court in and for the County
and State above named. Joseph Miller
and Nancy Daniel. residents of the County
and State above named. who being duly sworn
on their oath depose and say, That they were
personally acquainted with. Hiram Hamilton
Late a private in Co "D" 31st Regt. Ills Vol Infy
who died at Vicksburg Miss. on or about the 28th
day of June 1863 By reason being killed in
battle, while in the line of his duty. And
in the service of the United State. leaving
surviving him a widow and four children
That the respective dates of birth of said children
are as follows. Mary E. Hamilton Born Sept 11th
1852. Hiram Edmond Hamilton Born Jan 8th 1855
Susannah Hamilton Born Apr 26th 1857.
and Obia Hamilton Born March 6th 1859.
That Nancy Daniel was present at the birth
of said children and that Joseph Miller was
an intimate and near neighbor of said Hiram
Hamilton and knew of the birth of said children
and each of them. That they are personally
acquainted with Zilpha Hohl. the legally
appointed guardian of said minor children

and that said affiants have no interest direct or indirect in the prosecution of this claim.

C. J. Whitney

Joseph Miller
her
Nancy + Vencil
mark

On this 19th day of January A.D. 1866 the above affidavit was sworn to and subscribed before me. And I further certify that the above named affiants are respectable and credible and entitled to belief. And that I have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

William W Clemens Ak




Affidavits of 2 witnesses of the Death of Patrick Edgell Bond of Childrens of Alaska
Hannellan
N G 31 Wells Fargo

M. C. Langer

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No. 12,531

ACT OF JULY 14, 1862.

Silpha Dohl Tazewell Co Ills
Guard Minor Child of
Hiram Hamilton
Pri Co D 31 Ills Vols
Died at Vicksburg Miss
June 23, 1863 Killed

Pension Office,

....., 186 .

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

Joseph K. Barrett

*Commissioner.*

See Mid Case
No 27,863
Overpaid $2.13
Rem'r 20 Sept/65
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A B Dawson
Peria Ills

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*Attorney.*

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No. 69,393.

Illinois

Mary E Hamilton, Miriam E Hamilton, Susannah Hamilton & Silas Hamilton Minors of Miriam Hamilton

Rank Pvt

Company D.

Regiment 31 Ills. Vols

Springfield Agency.

Rate per month, $ 8

Commencing Sept 28th 1865.

Ending March 6, 1875.

Certificate dated April 12, 1866

and sent to A. B. Sawyer

Pekin

Ills

Act 14th July, 1862.

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A. B. Sawyer
Pekin
Ill

# Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, D. C.,
Feb. 9", 1866.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt from your Office of application for Pension No. 119834, 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 Hiram S. Hamilton was enrolled on the 22' day of Aug't., 1861, at Vienna Ills in Co. D, 31" Regiment of Illinois Volunteers, to serve 3 years, or during the war, and mustered into service as a Privati on the 18" day of Sept. 1861, at Cairo Ills., in Co. D, 31 Regiment of Illinois Volunteers, to serve 3 years, or during the war. On the Muster Roll of Co. D of that Regiment, for the months of May & June 1863, he is reported Pvt. "Killed in action in rear of Vicksburg June 26" 1863."

The name Hiram Hamilton does not appear upon any rolls of Said Co. on file in this Offin.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,

Asst. Adj. Gen.

Assistant Adjutant General.
(2)

The Commissioner of Pensions,
Washington, D C.

Memoranda.

Name of applicant, .....

Address, .....

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# WAR OF 1861. 12468

*Brief in the case of* Mrs. Tilpha Hamilton, widow of Hiram Hamilton, Private in Co. "D", 31st Regiment Illinois Volunteers

Tazewell *County, and State of* Illinois

*Act of July* 14, 1862.

*Post Office address of Applicant,* Circleville Illinois

*Claim for* Widows *Pension.*

*Declaration and Identification in due Form.*

PROOF EXHIBITED.

Record proof of marriage

Four Children.

Attorney: A. B. Sawyer Pekin Illinois

Rolls show that decedent was mustered into Service in said Company as a private April 21, 1862 (3 years) and "Killed in action in rear of Vicksburg June 26th. 63".

*Admitted* January 12, 1864, *to a Pension of* $8 *per month, commencing* June 24, 1863.

A. B. Sawyer
Pekin
Illinois

*Name and Residence of Agent.*

B. Rickford
EXAMINING CLERK.

Brief

**Widow's Declaration for PENSION.**—Culver, Page & Hoyne, Stationers, 118 and 120 Lake Street, Chicago.

STATE OF Illinois }
Tazewell County. } ss.

On this 6th day of August 1863 personally appeared before me, John Gridley Clerk of the County Court in and for the County and State above named, and by Law authorized to administer oaths for general purposes, (1) Mrs Zilphia Hamilton who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that she is aged Thirty five years, that she is a resident of Circleville, in the County of Tazewell State of Illinois and that she is the widow of (2) Hiram Hamilton who was a (3) Private in Company (4) "D" commanded by Captain Levi B. Casey of the 31st Regiment of Illinois Infantry Volunteers, commanded by Colonel Edwin S. McCook, in the war of 1861, and that she has not been engaged in any way, or aided or abetted the rebellion in the United States, and that her said husband enlisted at Peoria Peoria County State aforesaid ~~on or about the~~ day of ~~A. D.~~, 186 for the term of three years and continued in actual service in said war for the term of: and until he was killed and was killed at the battle before Vicksburg Miss on or about the 22nd day of June 1863, and the cause of his death was that he was killed by a Minie Ball received while in the service of the United States.

That she was married to the said (2) Hiram Hamilton on the 5 day of October A. D. 1851, at Circleville Illinois by one George D. Pike a Justice of the Peace that her husband, the aforesaid Hiram Hamilton died on the day above mentioned; that her name before her said marriage was Zilphia Wilder and that she has remained a widow since the death of her said husband, as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereunto annexed And she further states that she believes there is a public record of her said marriage and a certified Copy ~~private record of said marriage~~ (5) of which under the hand & seal of the Clerk of the County Court of Tazewell County is hereto attached marked Exhibit "A" & she has 4 children Issue only of which are living at home with her, viz the Youngest Mary E. Hamilton aged 12 years Hiram E Hamilton aged 10 years Susannah Hamilton aged 7 years Zilphia Hamilton 4 years old &c

She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the Pension to which she is entitled by reason of the services and death of her said husband under the Act of Congress, approved July 14th, 1862. And she hereby constitutes and appoints A. C. Sawyer of Peoria Illinois Attorney, to prosecute the claim and procure a certificate.

Signature of (6) Mrs. Zilphia Hamilton Claimant.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me, the day and year first above written, and on the same day personally came before me Rhoda E. Dickey and Margaret Hungerford residents of Circleville in the County of Tazewell and State of Illinois persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me duly sworn according to law, declare that they are personally acquainted with Mrs. (1) Zilphia Hamilton widow of (2) Hiram Hamilton, say that they were present and saw her ~~sign her name~~ make her mark to the foregoing declaration, and were acquainted with her and her said husband before he entered the service, and know that they lived together as man and wife, and were so reputed. That she is the widow of the identical (2) Hiram Hamilton 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 (7) Newspaper accounts of the death from Genl report & knowing that said Hiram Hamilton Enlisted in the Service 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 reside as above stated, and have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

Signature of (8) Margaret Hungerford
Rhoda E. Dickey } Witnesses.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, and I hereby certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of ~~this~~ claim.

(9) John Gridley Clerk of the County Court & the Seal thereof

STATE OF ..... } ss.
..... COUNTY. }

I ..... Clerk of the County Court, in and for the County and State above named, do hereby certify that ..... Esq., before whom the foregoing declaration and affidavits were made, and who has thereunto signed his name, was, at the time of so doing, an acting Judge of the aforesaid Court in and for the said County and State above named, duly commissioned and sworn, that all his official acts, as such, are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature thereunto is genuine.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court, at ..... in said County, this ..... day of ..... A.D. 186 .

*Clerk.*

# INSTRUCTIONS.

1. Claimant's name.
2. Soldier's name.
3. Soldier's rank.
4. Alphabetical title of Company.
5. PROOF OF MARRIAGE.—Record evidence if possible must accompany the application of a widow. If there is a County, Town or Church record of the marriage, the Clerk who has custody of the Record of Marriage, must certify to a true copy thereof, and make oath thereto before a Judge, Notary Public, Commissioner, or Justice of the Peace. The fact that the Judge &c., is such, must also be shown by Certificate and Seal of a Court of Record, annexed to said copy, in the same way that the application and witnesses' affidavit are authenticated. If there is no public, but a private or family record containing the marriage or the births of children, such private record should be sent to me. It will be returned when used. Testimony to co-habitation and general repute as man and wife will not alone be sufficient proof of the marriage, unless the claimant IS UNABLE TO PRESENT EITHER PUBLIC OR PRIVATE RECORD EVIDENCE, OR THE TESTIMONY OF PERSONS WHO WERE PRESENT, AND SO STATES IN HER DECLARATION.
6. Claimant's signature.
7. Witnesses will here state in what manner they derive their knowledge of the soldier's identity, and if they or either of them were present at the marriage, it should be here stated.
8. Witnesses' signature.
9. Magistrate's signature.

## APPLICANT'S POST OFFICE ADDRESS:

Name Mrs. Zilpha Hamilton

Town of Carrollville,

Jasper County,

State of Ills

Forwarded by A. B. Sawyer

Rock Isl Ills

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Widow's Claim for Pension.

Act of .....

Mrs. Zilpha Hamilton

Widow of Abram Hamilton

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Co. A ..... 31 st Reg't.

Illinois Infantry Vols.

Culver, Page & Hoyne, Stationers, Chicago.

Ad April 66

No.

ACT OF JULY 14, 1862.

Silpha Hohl

Tazewell Co. Ills

Guard. Minor Children of

Hiram Hamilton

Pvt. Co. "D" 31 Ills. Inf

Died at Vicksburg Miss

June 27/63 Killed

Pension Office,

_____, 186 .

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

C.F. No. 69393

Joseph K. Barnett

*Commissioner.*

Widow 29.803 -

Dup 129.834 - Rejected

Received, June 29 1868.

W. W. Bassett

Pekin

Ills

*Attorney.*

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No. 19,803

ACT OF JULY 14, 1862.

Zilphia Hamilton, Tazewell
co. Ill. Wid of Hiram Hamilton
pri. co. D. 31st Ill. Vols.
killed at Vicksburg, Miss
June 23d 1863.

Pension Office,
August 15, 1863.

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

Joseph H. Barrett

*Commissioner.*

Received, Aug. 12, 1863.
A. B. Sawyer
Pekin
Ill.

*Attorney.*

Jany 12/64 Admitted
at $8 per month
Commencing
June 24/63.

No. 12468

Papers in Pet. Claim
No 11937

Illinois.

Zilpha Hamilton

widow of Hiram Hamilton

Rank Private

Company "D"

Regiment 31st Ills. vols

Springfield Agency.

Rate per month, $8.

Commencing June 26th 1863

Certificate dated Jan. 20th 1864.

and sent to A. B. Sawyer

Peking,

Ills.

Act 14th July, 1862.

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Illinois

Bk. " 69.393

United States Pension Agency

$ 2.13/100

Springfield, Ills., March 10th 1866

Received of C. P. Sawyer

Two 13/100 Dollars,

refunded for Overpayment to Mother of Gilpin

Roll as per Letter of Commissioner of Pensions

dated 7th May 7th 1866

John K. Dunn Pension Agent

WAR OF 1861. Act of July 25, 1866.

# CLAIM FOR INCREASE OF MINOR'S PENSION.

*Supplemental to case in which Certificate No.* 69393 *was issued* 12th April , 1866.

BRIEF in the case of Mary E. Hamilton, Hiram E. Hamilton, Susannah Hamilton and Tobias Hamilton

Minor Children of Hiram Hamilton, private Co: "H", 31 Ills. Vols.

Residence of Guardian: Tazewell . . . . . County, and State of Ills.

Post Office address: Pekin, Ills.

DECLARATION AND IDENTIFICATION IN DUE FORM

PROOF EXHIBITED.

Only children of soldier living. Shown.

Date of Marriage of Parents. October 5th 1851

Names and dates of births.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mary E. Hamilton | born 11th Sept: | 1852, | who will be 16 years old | 10th Sept: | , | 1868. |
| Hiram E. Hamilton | " 3d January | 1855, | " | " 2d January | , | 1871. |
| Susannah Hamilton | " 26th April | 1857, | " | " 25th April | , | 1873. |
| Tobias Hamilton | " 6th March | 1859, | " | " 5th March | , | 1875. |
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Proof of ages. Affidavit of witness personally present.

Agent, and his P. O. address. A. B. Sawyer, Pekin Ills.

*Issue certificate for* Eight . *dollars per month, commencing* Sept: 28th . . . , 1865, *and ending* March 5th , 1875, *and two dollars per month additional for each of the above-named children, commencing* 25th *day of* July . . . . , 1864, *and payable to* Zilpha Hook . . . , *Guardian, deducting former payments.*

Julius A. Fay, *Examiner.*

*Passed* 23 July , 1868.

APPROVED:

S. F. S.

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J. LOEWENTHAL & Co., P. O. Box 962, Washington, D. C.
Office, 207 Pennsylvania Avenue.

# Guardian's Application for Increase of Pension,

**Under the 2d Section of the Act of July 25, 1866.**

State of Illinois } ss.
County of Tazewell }

On this 17th day of September, 1866, personally appeared before me, a Clerk of the County Court in and for the County and State aforesaid, Biltha Hohl a resident of Pekin and State of Illinois aged 47 years, who, being first 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 2d Section of the Act of Congress increasing the Pensions of Widows and Orphans, approved July 25th, 1866: That She is the guardian of Mary E. Hamilton, Hiram E. Hamilton, Susannah Hamilton and Tobias Hamilton, minor children of Hiram Hamilton deceased whose father was a Private in Co. "D" commanded by in the 31st Regiment of Illinois Infantry in the war of 1861; and that the said Hiram Hamilton died at Vicksburgh Miss on the 23rd day of June 1863, from Gunshot wound; that the mother of the child aforesaid was married ~~was appointed their Guardian~~ on the 28th day of September in the year 1865, and that the dates of births of the said minor child is as follows, to wit:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Hiram E. Hamilton | born | January 3rd | 1853 |
| Mary E. Hamilton | " | September 11th | 1852 |
| Susannah Hamilton | " | April 26th | 1857 |
| Tobias Hamilton | " | March 6th | 1859 |

She further declares that the parents of the said minor child were married at Leicleville Ills. on the 2nd day of December in the year 1857, by George Pike J.P. and that the maiden name of their mother was Biltha Wilder and that She hereby appoints ~~J. LOEWENTHAL~~ A.B. Sawyer Pekin Ills as her lawful attorney, with full power of substitution, and authorizes him to present and prosecute this claim, and to receive and receipt for any orders, communication, or certificate which may be issued in satisfaction thereof.

That Claimant's Post-Office address is Pekin Illinois

G. Whitney
J. W. Livingston
Witnesses.

her
Biltha + Hohl
mark
Signature of Guardian.

Also personally appeared and residents of Tazewell Pekin County of Tazewell State of Illinois 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 Biltha Hohl make her mark to the foregoing declaration; and they further swear that the names and date of the birth of the child above given are true and correct; and that they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of the applicant and their acquaintance with her that She is the identical person She represents herself to be, and that they have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

Witnesses.

Signatures of Witnesses: John Vancil
Britton Griffin

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 17th day of September 1866, after the statements set forth herein were read and carefully explained by me to the applicant and the two witnesses; and I hereby certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

W. M. Comm
Clerk

Attach certified copies of letters of guardianship. The declaration must be made before a Court of Record, or some officer of such a court duly authorized to administer oaths, and having custody of its seal, which must be attached.

After September 4, 1866, all Pension Certificates must be sent with the application.

APPLICATION OF GUARDIAN

FOR

# INCREASE OF PENSION.

Zieska Hohl

GUARDIAN OF

Mary E. Miram E.

Susannat Tobias

Hamilton

child ren of Hiram Hamelton Dec'd

late a Private of Company "D."

51st Regt. Ills Vols

A. B. Sawyer

Claim Agent

Pekin Ills

~~FILED BY~~

~~J. LOEWENTHAL,~~

~~ATTORNEY.~~

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
PENSION OFFICE
MAY 25 1904

Increase

No. 69393

Illinois

Springfield Agency

Mary E. 10 Sept. 1868

Hiram E. 2 Jany 1871

Susannah 25 Apl. 1873

Tobias 5 Mch 1875

MINORS OF

Hiram Hamilton

Rank Private, Co. "D",

Regt. 31" Ills

Rate per Month, $ 8

Commencing 28 Sept, 1865

Ending 5 Mch 1875

Additional sum of $2 per Month for each of the above-named children, until arriving at the age of 16 years, commencing 25 day of July, 1866.

Former payments to be deducted

Certificate dated 1 Aug. 1868

Sent to A B Sawyer

Pekin Ill

Acts July 14, 1862.

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Mayse, Clerk.

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# DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

## ORPHANS' CLAIM.

I certify that Mary E. Hamilton, Miriam E. Hamilton, Susannah Hamilton & Tobias Hamilton, Minor Children of Miriam Hamilton, who was a Private in Co. "D" 31st Regt. Ills. Vols. in the service of the United States, are entitled, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved July 14, 1862, to receive pay at the rate of Eight dollars per month, commencing on the Twentyeighth day of September, 1865, and terminating on the Sixth day of March, 1875, to be divided among them equally whilst under the age of sixteen years, respectively, and that the same is payable to Zilpha Hohl, Guardian.

Given at the Department of the Interior, this Twelfth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

W. T. Otto

Acting SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

COUNTERSIGNED:

Joseph H. Barrett

*Commissioner of Pensions.*

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Payment to be made semi-annually to 4th March and 4th September, at Springfield, Ills, by John M. Bunn, Esq., Agent.

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Ad 4 April 64

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PENSION OFFICE.

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LETTERS OF GUARDIANSHIP.—Culver, Page & Hoyne, Stationers, 128 and 130 Lake St., Chicago.

# LETTERS OF GUARDIANSHIP.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss.
Tazewell County,

In the County Court, September Term, A. D. 1865

The People of the State of Illinois, to Elpha Dodd

of said County, GREETING:

WHEREAS, at the September term of the County Court of said County, A. D. 1865, holden at Pekin you were, by order of said Court, duly entered of record on the 14th day of ~~said month~~ Oct 1865, duly appointed Guardian for Mary E. Hiram E Susannah & Tobias Hamilton

Trusting in your fidelity, therefore, the said Court do by these presents constitute and appoint you to be Guardian unto said minors and authorize and empower you to take and have the care of their persons and the custody and management of their property, frugally and without waste or destruction, to improve and account for the same in all things, according to law.

WITNESS, John Grieb Clerk of the said County Court, and the Probate Seal of said Court hereunto affixed, at Pekin this 14 day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five

Jno Grieb Clerk.

County Court.

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# Letters of Guardianship

— TO —

Zilphia Hohl

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Attest:

*Clerk.*

Culver, Page & Hoyne, Stationers, Chicago.

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GUARDIAN'S CLAIM FOR INCREASED PENSION FOR MINOR CHILDREN.—Act July 25th, 1866.—Culver, Page & Hoyne, Chicago.

STATE OF Illinois }
Tazewell COUNTY, } ss.

On this 23d day of June A. D. 1868, personally appeared before me, the undersigned, County Clerk of the County Court, a Court of Record, in and for the County and State above named, and by law duly authorized to administer oaths for general purposes, Zilpha Hohl who, being by me first duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that She resides at No. Circleville in the County of Tazewell State of Illinois and is aged 47 years. That She is the legally appointed Guardian of Mary E. Hamilton, Hiram E Hamilton Susannah Hamilton and Tobias Hamilton who are the only surviving children under sixteen years of age, of Hiram Hamilton who was a Private in Company D of the 31st Regiment of Illinois Volunteers, Infantry in the civil war of 1861–5, for suppression of the Rebellion against the United States Government, and that he and her said wards have not in any way been engaged in, or aided or abetted said Rebellion. That her said wards is not now in receipt of a Pension under an act of Congress, entitled "An Act to grant Pensions," approved July 14, 1862, and was paid upon Pension Certificate No. 119834 to include 4th September 1866, at the Springfield Agency, and reference is hereby made to the above named Pension Certificate No. 119834 and other papers on file therewith, for any necessary evidence not herein contained.

That the said Hiram Hamilton, father of her said wards, died at Vicksburg Mississippi, on or about the 27th day of June 1863, by reason of being Killed on Battle while in the service of the United States and in the line of his duty; that the mother of the children aforesaid ~~died~~ [if again married, say, "married again, being now the wife of Edward Hohl"] at Pekin Illinois on the 28th day of September A. D. 1865; and also that Hiram Hamilton, and Zilpha Wilder the parents of said wards, were married at Circleville Ills on the 2d day of December A. D. 1857, by one George Fike Esqr a Justice of the Peace; that She believes there is a public record of their marriage, and that there is no private record; and that the date of the birth and present residence of said wards are as follows:

Mary E. Hamilton born at Circleville Ills on the 11th day of September 1857
Hiram E Hamilton born at Egypt Ills on the 3d day of January 1855
Susannah Hamilton born at Egypt Ills on the 26th day of April 1857
Tobias Hamilton born at Egypt Ills on the 6th day of March 1859

And he hereby constitutes and appoints W M M Bassett of Pekin Illinois her Attorney to prosecute this claim and procure a Pension Certificate.

*In Presence of*
(Two witnesses when mark is made.)
Peter Baker
Susan Jones

her
Zilpha × Hohl
mark
Guardian.

And also on the 23d day of June 1868 personally came before me and A B Sawyer John Jones residents of Pekin in the County of Tazewell and State of Illinois persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me first duly sworn according to law, declare that they are personally acquainted with Zilpha Hohl and say that they were present and saw her Make her Mark to the foregoing declaration and Power of Attorney. And they further swear that, from the appearance of the applicant, and their acquaintance with her and the above mentioned ward, they believe them to be the identical persons She represents her self and her ward to be; that the mother of the children aforesaid ~~died~~ [if again married, say "married again, being now the wife of Edward Hohl"] at Pekin Illinois on the 28th day of September A. D. 1865; and they further testify that, according to their best knowledge and belief, all the averments in said declaration are true, and that they reside as above stated, and have no interest in the prosecution of this claim, and that said children are now living at the date of said Guardian's declaration.

A B Sawyer
John Jones
*Witnesses.*

The above application and affidavit of witnesses were duly sworn to and subscribed, and Power of Attorney acknowledged, before me, this 23 day of June A. D. 1868, and I hereby certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim, that Zilpha Hohl Knew the Contents of the above instrument of writing before Signing.

W W Clemons Clerk of the County Court.

STATE OF Illinois }
Tazewell COUNTY, } ss. I, W. W. Clemens

Clerk of the County Court in and for the County and State above named, do hereby certify that _____ Esq., ~~before whom the foregoing declaration and affidavits were made, and Power of Attorney acknowledged, and who has thereunto signed his name, was, at the time of so doing, an acting Judge of the aforesaid Court in and for the said County and State above named, duly commissioned and sworn, that all his official acts as such are entitled to full faith and credit, and that his signature thereto is genuine. And I further certify that~~ _____ whose signature appears to the annexed oath of identity, as Guardian of Mary E. Susan E. Susannah and Tobias Hamilton _____ was appointed Guardian of said wards on the 14th day of October 1865, and is still the legal and acting Guardian of said ward, as appears by the record of said Court.

Belpha Stahl

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of said Court, at Pekin in said County, this 23 day of June A. D. 186 8

W. W. Clemens *Clerk.*

## NOTE.

Instructions of the Commissioner of Pensions require that this application be accompanied by Proof of "The marriage of the parents;"

"The death of the father;"

"The death or subsequent marriage of the mother;" also

"The names and ages of all the children under the age of sixteen years at the time of the father's decease, and the place of their residence."

In default of record evidence, the legality of the marriage may be ascertained by the certificate of the clergyman who joined him in wedlock, or by the testimony of [two] respectable persons having knowledge of the fact.

Act July 25th, 1866.

# GUARDIAN'S CLAIM
## FOR INCREASE PENSION.

DECLARATION OF

Belpha Stahl

Guardian of minor children of

Susanna Johnston

Co. C 37th Regiment, Illinois Vols.

Under Act of July 14, 1862.

APPLICANT'S ADDRESS.

Post Office Carlinville

Tazewell County,

State of Illinois,

FORWARDED BY

Emmert Barrett

Pekin

Tazewell County,

State of Illinois,

*Attorney.*

Culver, Page & Hoyne, Stationers, Chicago.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
JUN 25 1868
PENSION OFFICE.