NO. 216.966

ACT OF JULY 14, 1862

Letty Reynolds
Patrick Springs Va
Widow of Jack. Reynolds alias
Jacob Pri Co "K" 119 U.S.C. Troops
Died at near Camp Nelson
June 18/65 of Measles

Received <u>August 21</u>, 18<u>74</u>
<u>Claimant</u>
<u>Patrick Springs</u>
Patrick Co.Va.

Attorney.

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Adjutant General's Office Washington, D.C., October 16th, 1874

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt from your Office of application for Pension No. 216.966, 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 the Office that Jacob Reynolds was enrolled on the 14th day of April, 1865, at Boon(e), N.C. in Co. 'K', 119th Regiment of U.S.C. Troops Volunteers, to serve three years or during the war, and mustered into service as a Private on the 11th day of May, 1865, at Lexington, Ky, in Co. "K", 119th Regiment of U.S.C. Troops Volunteers, to serve three years, or during the war. On the Muster Roll of Co "K", of that Regiment, from organization to June 30th, 1865. He is reported "Died at Camp Nelson General Hospital June 13, 1865 of Measles", and so accounted for on Muster out roll of the Co.

I am, sir, very respectfully, Your obedient servant, Thomas M. Vincent (signed) Assistant Adjutant General (2)

The Commissioner of Pensions, Washington, D.C.

by Went Minching ?(signed)

Campbell

Examiner Oct 3/74 Cis 15 & 16.

To S.G. and A.G.*

Nov 9/74 Letter to claimant for proof of marriage and births & identity.

Feby 24/75 Awaits above....

May 8/75 Admitted.

July 3/75 No. 23 to A.G. as per Return and Reinstate

Oct 2/75 Readmitted.

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Note: **A.G.**-Office of the Adjutant General of the Army **S.G.**-Office of the Surgeon General of the Army

War Department Surgeon General's Office Record and Pension Division Washington, D.C. <u>December 7</u>, 1874

[TRANSCRIPT FROM RECORDS.]

Vol was admitted to Nelson General	that <u>Jack Reynolds Priv</u> Co <u>K, 119th</u> Reg't <u>U.S.C.T</u> . Hospital, <u>Camp Nelson</u> , Ky <u>May 14</u> , 186 <u>5</u> , from_easles and died of that disease June 13, 1865.
By order of the Surgeon General:	
Vol <u>8 D.P</u> .	J.J. Woodward
No <u>4827</u>	Assistant Surgeon, U.S. Army
	(99)

Per V. Pricetepew?

(Note----This transcript should not be detached from the accompanying papers. If additional information is desired relative to the case, this paper should accompany the application therefor.)

No. <u>171.658</u>

<u>Virginia</u>

Letty Reynolds

Widow of Jacob Reynolds

Rank <u>Priv.</u>
Company <u>"K"</u>
Regiment <u>119th U.S.C. Troops</u>

Rate per month \$ <u>"8".</u>
Commencing <u>8th March 1875</u>
Ending

Certificate dated 10th Jan 18<u>76</u> and sent_______18"" Payable at (Norfolk) D.C Agency. ______Attorney.

> Act of 4th July, 1862. Book <u>C</u> Vol. <u>15</u> Page <u>165</u> <u>Bush</u> Clerk.

DECLARATION

<u>Declaration for Original Pension of a Widow, child or children under sixteen years of age</u> <u>surviving.</u>

State of Virginia, County of Patrick S.S.

On this 13th day of August AD 1874 personally appeared before me, Larkin G. Rucker, Clerk of the County Court of Patrick County, a duly authorized officer of a Court of Record in and for the County and State aforesaid, Letty Reynolds, aged fifty years, who being duly sworn according to law makes the following declaration in order to obtain the pension provided by act of Congress, granting pensions to widows, that she is the widow of Jack Reynolds (both colored) who according to the best of her knowledge and belief, based upon information which she deems to be reliable, enlisted under the name of Jacob Reynolds, at (blank) day of April AD 1865, in Company K, 119 Regiment United States Colored Infantry in the war of the late rebellion, who died of measles at the Hospital near Camp Nelson on the 13th day of June A.D. 1865, and who at the time of his death was a private in Company K 119 Regiment. She further declares that she was married under the name of Letty Cox to said Jack Reynolds on the day of December 1850 by H.W. Reynolds her former master at the House of said H.W. Reynolds in Patrick County Virginia, according to his manner of marrying his slaves. There being no legal barrier to such marriage, that neither she nor her husband has been previously married, that she has to the present date remained his widow, that the following are the names and dates of birth of all his legitimate children yet surviving who were under sixteen years of age at their father's death, Viz: Mary who was born on the 15th day of May 1853, Adaline on the 1st day of January 1855, and Henry, on the 4th day of December 1856. That she has not abandoned the support of any of his said legitimate children, but that they are still under her care and maintenance. That she has not in any manner been engaged in or aided or abetted the rebellion in the United States; that no prior application has been filed by her and to the best of her knowledge, information and belief none has ever been filed by her husband; that her residence is in the County of Patrick in the State of Virginia, and that Patrick Springs in said county and State is her Post Office and her address.

Witnesses

her Letty X Reynolds mark

Joseph Sawyers James B. Smith

Also personally appeared Jeremiah & Taylor and Creed F Spencer residing in the County of Patrick in the State of Virginia whose post office address is Patrick Springs in said county and State, in person whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to audit and who being by me duly sworn, say they were present and saw the claimant make her mark to the foregoing declaration, that they have every reason to believe from the appearance of said claimant and their acquaintance with her that she is the identical person she represents herself to be, and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

Jermiah L. Taylor Creed F. Spencer

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 13th day of August A.D. 1874; and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration and affidavit were fully made known and explained to the applicant and witnesses before swearing; and that I have no interest direct or indirect in the prosecution of this claim.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County at office in Taylorsville this 13 day of August AD 1875

L G Ruckar Clerk

<u>Testimony in Support of Letty Reynolds declaration for original Pension No 216966 filed</u> heartofore

State of Virginia

County of Patrick SS this is to certify that I was well acquainted with jack Reynolds and letty Reynolds though I never Saw them married but it was generly understood that they was and I have never heard it contradicted. The Said letty Reynolds livs in this neighbourhood. I beleave her to be the identical person that She represents hear Self to be and She Still has the care of her three children Mary, Adline, and Henry this the 2nd day of March 1875.

James B. Taylor P.M. At Patrick Springs Patrick County Virginia

Test

John W. Taylor

Note: Actual spelling transcribed.

FORMER OWNER & WIFE AFFIDAVITS

<u>Testimony in support of Letty Reynolds declaration for Original Pension No 216966 filed heretofore</u>

State of Virginia

County of Patrick S.S. On this 18 day of January A.D. 1875, personally appeared before me, L.G. Rucker, Clerk of the County Court of the County of Patrick a duly authorized officer of a Court of Record, Hardin W. Reynolds of said who being duly sworn by me according to law, deposes and says, that he is 65 years of age, that Jack Reynolds and Letty Cox were his slaves, that sometime in December 1848, at their request he married them at his residence in Patrick County Virginia in the manner he married all his colored people; that they remained on his farm and as his property until Genl Stoneman made his raid through this county on the 8th day of April 1865, at which last date Jack Reynolds left with General Stoneman's command, as this affiant was informed by the hands on the plantation; that during all that time from December 1848 to April 1865 the said Jack Reynolds and his wife Letty lived and cohabited together as mand and wife. This affiant being informed that Letty Reynold the widow of Jack Reynolds, stated in his declaration that the marriage took place in December 1850, says that he is satisfied that she is mistaken as to the date that by refreshing his memory by a deed he is satisfied their marriage was in December 1848, he also states that from his acquaintance with the colored people they give dates with great difficulty. This affiant further states that he kept a register of the birth of all the colored children on his plantations which has been lost or destroyed, that he cannot now state exactly the dates of the births of the children of the said Jack & Letty Reynolds but well recollect that they had been married several years before said Letty had a child and feel confident that Mary was born on or about the 15th day of May 1853, Adaline on or about the 1st day of January 1855, and Henry on or about the 4th day of December 1856, that he was not at the birth of any of these children but saw them in a short time thereafter, they favored their parents and were claimed by the said Jack & Letty Reynolds to be their children, that in drawing their weeks supplies the said Jack Reynolds always drew for his said wife Letty and the children as they were born unto them & cooked and consumed by them, their clothing was also drawn in the same way. That they were under his care and management all that time and were recognized by him as man and wife and that said Letty is living near him & has now the care of the said children

H.W. Reynolds (signed)

Also appeared before me, Nancy J. Reynolds the wife of Hardin W. Reynolds who being by me duly sworn according to law deposes and says that she is 50 years of age, that she is well acquainted with Jack Reynolds and Letty Reynolds. Knew them before their marriage and since that she thinks they were married about Christmas in 1848, that Letty's name was Cox before she was married she having been raised by this affiants father Joshua Cox. That said Jack & Letty Reynolds lived together as man and wife from the date of their marriage until Jack left with General Stoneman's command in April 1865 and always claimed each other as such, that the names and ages of their children as giving by her husband HW Reynolds she believes to be correct. That said Letty Reynolds is now living in her neighborhood and is the identical person she represents herself to be & that said Letty is living near them & still has the care of her said children.

NJ Reynolds (signed)

Sworn To and subscribed before me by Hardin W. Reynolds and Nancy J. Reynolds and I hereby certify that they are credible witnesses.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of Patrick County at Office in the Town of Taylorsville this 18th day of January 1875

POSTMASTER IDENTITY

To The Commishioner of Pensions

I Letty Reynolds a Pensioner under Pension certificate No. 171,658 hereby apply for the Arrears due me under the act Granting Arrears of Pension approved January the 25th 1879. My Post office Address is Patrick Springs in the county of Patrick and State of Virginia This the 12th day of May 1879

her Letty X Reynolds mark

Teste Henry Reynolds Squire Cobb

State of Virginia County of Patrick

Signed in my presence By Letty Reynolds who I understand to be the Person She Describes her self to be, and at the Same time. She exhibited to me her Pension certificate which is numbered 171,658. Sworn to before me in my county aforesaid Given under my hand the 12th day of May 1879.

FELLOW SOLDIER

State of Virginia

County of Patrick SS.

In the matter of a declaration and claim for a pension by Letty Reynolds widow of Jack Reynolds deceased who was enrolled under the name of Jacob Reynolds who was a citizen of Stokes County in the State of North Carolina personally appeared before me, L.G. Rucker Clerk of the County Court of Patrick County in the State of Virginia Hampton Moore and Abram Clark whom I believe from good report and the exhibition of their discharges from the Army and a Memorial of their company to be respectable and entitled to credit, and having been duly sworn deposes and says that on the 9th day of April 1865 they left Danbury in the County of Stokes & State of North Carolina with the command of General Stoneman and was enrolled on the 14th day of April 1865 in Capt E D Kennedys company H 119 Regiment of US Colored Infantry and were discharged on the 27th April 1866, at Louisville, Kentucky; That they were well acquainted with Jack Reynolds who was enrolled in Capt John Wrights Company K, 119 Regiment U S Colored Infantry, by the name of Jacob Reynolds. That said Jack alias Jacob Reynolds was taken sick with the measles at Camp Nelson and taken to the Hospital nearby. That a few days thereafter his death was read out on dress parade. They state positively that they know that Jack Reynolds the husband of Letty Reynolds and Jacob Reynolds on the rool (roll)of company K. 119 Regt U S Col Volunteers was one and the same man. The said affiants state that the said Jack Reynolds and Letty Reynolds claimed to be husband & wife and so lived previous to his joining the army. The said Hampton Moore states that he lived on an adjoining plantation and in sight. That he visited there nearly every night and was as well acquainted with them as the people on the plantation where he belonged. The said affiants also state that said Jack alias Jacob Reynolds left home at the same time and in company with them and was enrolled on the same day and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim and are not related to the deceased or his widow.

Witnesses:	his
W C. Layman	Hampton X Moore
B.F. Smith	mark
	his
	Abram X Clark
	mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of August A.D. 1874; and I hereby certify that the contents of the foregoing affidavits was fully made known and explained to the affiants before swearing: and that I have no interest direct or indirect in the prosecution of this claim.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of my Office at Taylorsville this 8th day of August A.D. 1874

L G Rucker Clerk of Patrick County Court (signed)

(Obverse of folded cover, left-to-right)

P 167 Vol II C.T. 1875 July 3, 1875

Pensions: Commissioner of

For service of Hampton Moor & Abram Clark late of Co. "H." 119th U.S.C.T. and whether the command of General Stoneman passed through or near the Counties of Patrick, Va. & Stokes & Watauga, N.C. on a raid in 1865.

(1. Enclos.)

War Department.
Adjutant General's Office
July 15, 1875

Respectfully returned to the Commissioner of Pensions.

Abram Clark and Hampton Moore were enlisted April 14, 1865, at Boone, N.C., and were assigned to Co. "H." 119th U.S. C. Troops, and were mustered out of service with that company April 27, 1866, at Louisville, Ky.

The records show that Gen'l Stoneman's command passed through the counties of Patrick, Va., and Stokes and Watauga, N.C., at the time indicated.

L.H. Pelouze Assist Adj't General

Note: last fold headed with claim number 216.966 Reynolds

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(No. 23)

Department of the Interior Pension Office Widow's Division Washington, July 3d, 1875.

Sir:

Please report as to the service of the two soldiers named in the enclosed affidavit, and whether the command of General Stoneman passed through or near the counties of Patrick, Va. and Stokes and Watauga, N.C. on a raid in 1865. And return this wrapper & its enclosure.

Claim No 216966

Very respectfully, Jos. Lockey (signed) Acting Commissioner. The Adjt Genl U.S.W. Washington, D.C.

Note: subscript at top of page GWC. 52.

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This is a reference to Pension Examiner G. W. Campbell whose office was located in room number 52. See the following transcript.

(Obverse of folded cover) WIDOW'S BRIEF No. 2.

Claim No. 216.966

Soldier, Jacob Reynolds alias Jack Reynolds,

G.W. Campbell, Ex'r.

Room No. 52.

Resubmitted for final Review. Oct 2, 1875.

(Reverse of folded cover)

WAR OF THE REBELLION. Act of July 14, 1862, and subsequent acts.

WIDOW'S PENSION. (Original with Increase)

Letty Reynolds. Jacob Reynolds ,widow of Rank, Private Company, K Regiment, 119th U.S.C.T. Vols.

Residence of claimant, Patrick-----County, and State of Virginia Post office, Patrick Springs, Patrick Co. Va. Attorney, None Fee, \$ "

No contract, and no (marked out) material evidence filed since July 8, 1870.

Rate of pension, \$ 8----per month, commencing March 8-----, 1875; the date of filing last necessary evidence.

Payments on all former certificates covering any portion of the same time to be deducted.

Re=Admitted, October 2nd, 1875 Approved, January 5, 1875

C.W. Campbell, Examiner M.L. Roberts, Reviewer , Chief of Division.

DATES SHOWN BY PAPERS

Enlistment, April 14, 1865. Muster into rank, May 11, 1865. Widow's app. Filed, Aug. 21, 1874 Claim completed, March 8, 1875.

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INCIDENTAL MATTER.

Identity of claimant as widow of soldier shown by statement of the Postmaster at Patrick Springs, Va. and by affidavits of former owner and his wife. Of the claimant and soldier(s) filed March 8, 1875. It is shown that soldier was also called Jack Reynolds.

ALLEGATIONS OF CLAIMANT.

Other children of soldier by claimant, """"

Loyalty of claimant,

SUMMARY OF PROOF.

FORMER MARRIAGE OF SOLDIER.

to

The marriage of Is shown by

None

DEATH OF FORMER WIFE.

None

MARRIAGE OF SOLDIER TO CLAIMANT.

The marriage of Jack Reynolds to Letty Cox is shown by the affidavit of their former owner who married them according to the custom of slaves and the affidavit of the wife of said owner. Both affidavits also showing the cohabitation of claimant & soldier as husband & wife till the latter's enlistment. Also shown by the statement of Postmaster. All filed March 8, 1875.

DATES OF BIRTH OF CHILDREN.

Shown by affidavit of the former owner & the wife of said owner. Of the claimant & soldier and the Postmaster's state, emt corrorborates. All filed March 8, 1875.

DATES OF DEATH OF CHILDREN

None

CUSTODY OF CHILDREN BY FORMER MARRIAGE.

None

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PROOF AS TO SERVICE

The Adjutant General U.S.A. reports name on rolls as Jacob Reynolds.

also the rank, company, and regiment, and the dates of enrollment and muster.

As stated on preceding page. He also reports. (this sentence has a line run through)

Service also proved by affidavit of two fellow soldiers. Filed Aug. 21, 1874. They testify that the soldier was called Jack Reynolds but that he enlisted as Jacob Reynolds.

PROOF AS TO DEATH

1ST Report of Adjutant General 2nd Report of Surgeon General

- 1. The Adjt. Genl. U.S.A. reports that the soldier died at Camp Nelson General Hospital June 13, 1865 of measles.
- 2. The Surgeon General U.S.A. reports that the soldier as "Jack Reynolds" was admitted to Nelson General Hospital, Camp Nelson, Ky. May 14, 1875 for treatment for Measles and died of that disease, June 13, 1865.

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ARREARS OF PENSION

WIDOWS, ETC.

ACTS OF JANUARY 25 AND MARCH 4, 1879

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KNOXVILLE. (Kentucky)

CERTIFICATE No. 171.658

Acts of January 25 and March 4, 1879

BRIEF FOR ARREARS OF WIDOW'S PENSION

Name <u>Letty Reynolds</u>; widow of Soldier <u>Jacob Reynolds</u> Rank <u>Priv.</u>
Company <u>K</u>
Regiment 119 U.S. C.T.

P.O. Address Patrick Springs, County Patrick, State Va.

Date the soldier died June 13, 1865; while in service.

Widow pensioned from Mch 8, 1875;

Arrears of Pension due at the rate of \$ <u>8</u>. Per month, from <u>June 14</u>, 18<u>65</u>, to <u>Mch 7</u>, 18<u>75</u>, when it terminates.

THE SUM OF TWO DOLLARS PER MONTH ADDITIONAL WILL BE ALLOWED FOR EACH CHILD, AS FOLLOWS:

Mary commencing July 25, 1866; ending May 14, 1869.

Adaline commencing July 25, 1866; ending Dec. 31, 1870.

Henry commencing July 25, 1866; ending Dec. 3, 1872.

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Date Sept. 8, 1879.

Heard (signed)

Examiner

Approved for Issue: J.W. Cole

Reviewer.

(Hand written tabulations; sum of arrears payments for Letty and her three children in order of

their ages.)

\$934.40

67.33

106.47

152.60

\$1,260.80

(Pensioner Dropped)

U. S. Pension Agency

Washington, D.C.

March 16, 1894.

Hon. William Lochren.

Commissioner of Pensions.

Sir:

I hereby report that the name of <u>Letty Reynolds Widow</u>, who was a pensioner on the rolls of this Agency, under Certificate No. <u>171,658</u>, and who was last paid at \$12, to <u>March 4</u>, 1894, has been dropped because of <u>death of pensioner Mch. 7, 1894</u>.

Very respectfully,

S.S Nimson Pension Agent