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Head Quarters

Illinois Soldiers and Sailors Home

Near Quincy, Illinois,

February 11, 1897.

William A Johnson, (1) of the Town of Farmer City, in the County of De Witt, and State of Illinois, formerly a soldier of the United States of America, in the war against (1) The late Rebellion, respectfully asks that he be admitted as a member of said Home.

To enable the authorities to determine whether or not he is legally entitled to become a member of said Home, he declares and states the facts to be that he is now 43 years old, that he is 5 feet and 10 inches high; that he is of Light complexion, Blue eyes, and Light hair; that he was born in the town of Leroy in the County of McLean of State Ill. on the Seventeenth day of March, 1834; that he has been (2) enrolled in the U. S. A. service; in the war against Mexico, and Once in the war of the late Rebellion; and that he has been (3) Once honorably discharged from the service of the United States. That the following is a true statement of the time and place of his enrollment, and discharge from said service; and of the cause of his discharge, and of his rank at the respective date thereof, namely:

No.	When and Where Enrolled.	When and Where Discharged.	Rank.	Company and Regiment.	Cause of Discharge.
1st.	Santa Anna Ill Aug 2 ^d 1862	Salisbury N. C. June 21 st 1865.	Private	Co. 107 Regt. Ills. Col. Inf.	End of service
2d.				Co. Regt.	
3d.				Co. Regt.	

That he now receives, on pension certificate number 457792, a pension of Six dollars a month, payable the fourth day of next April, at the Chicago Pension Office.

That he owns property, real and personal, of the value of dollars, and no more; that he has no means of self-support other than that above named; that his trade or occupation is that of a Blacksmith.

That he has (4) no wife; that he has 3 children now living; aged, respectively, (5) 31, 29, 25 years. That his postoffice address is Farmer City, State of Illinois; that his nearest railway station is Farmer City, on the I. & M. R. R. by Ford Railway, in De Witt County, in said State; that the name and address of the person, to whom he desires notice of his illness or death shall be given, is Mrs Nancy Beach, of Peoria, County of Peoria, State of Illinois; that, in case of his death, he desires all his personal effects to be sent to Mrs Nancy Beach, at Peoria, County of Peoria, State of Illinois.

That he has not heretofore been a member of any Soldiers', Sailors', or other Charitable Home or Institution, excepting the (6).

That he is now a bona fide resident of the State of Illinois, and has continuously lived and resided in said State for the last two years.

That he is so far disabled by (7) Rheumatism and general Debility

as to now be incapable of earning his own living.

That he has at all times, heretofore, supported and adhered to the government of the United States of America, and that he has not at any time been engaged in, or countenanced, or aided, or abetted, the cause of the late Rebellion.

That if he shall be admitted to be a member of the said Home, he will, in all things and in every respect, comply with and conform to the rules and regulations made, or that shall hereafter be made, for the government and discipline of the same; and that he will cheerfully do and perform any and all things that shall be required of him by those there in authority over him, and that he will promptly, and willingly, obey all lawful orders that he shall receive from any officer of the Home, so long as he shall remain a member thereof.

In testimony whereof he has set his hand this 11th day of February, 1897.

(8) Henry Funk, Witness.

(9) Wm A Johnson, Applicant.

COUNTY OF *De Witt* } ss.

I, *John F. Case*, a ⁽¹⁰⁾ *Notary Public*

of the town of *Santa Anna*, in and for said County, do hereby certify that the above named Applicant, to me personally and well known to be the identical person he represents himself to be, this day ~~personally~~ appeared before me, and that I then and there, at his request, plainly read to him his application, aforesaid, which he then and there fully understood; and that he was, by me, thereupon duly sworn, and then and there deposed and said that he was the Applicant above named, and that he was fully acquainted with matters and things stated and set forth in his said application, and that the same and each of them were true in substance and in fact as he has herein stated.

⁽¹¹⁾ *Wm. L. Johnson*,
Affiant.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this *11th* day of *February*, A. D. 189*7*. Witness my hand and official seal.

L. S.

John F. Case ⁽¹²⁾ *N.P.*

CERTIFICATE OF IDENTIFICATION.

I do hereby certify, upon honor, that I have personally known *William L. Johnson*, the above Applicant, for, at least, *two years last passed*; and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the statements contained in his foregoing Application are entirely true, and especially that as to the time of his residence in *Illinois*. And I further state that he has no known mental disorder; and that he requires no special attendant; and that he can properly be allowed to go at large; and that he can safely be quartered with feeble and helpless men.

Witness my hand, ⁽¹³⁾ *Henry Funk*,
⁽¹⁴⁾ *Adly T. Jensen Post No 211 G. O. R.*

CERTIFICATE OF A LOCAL PHYSICIAN.

I hereby depose and state that I have carefully examined the above named Applicant, *William L. Johnson*, as to his disability, and I now find that he has ⁽¹⁵⁾ *Rheumatism & some Kidney trouble. And general debility* to such an extent as to prevent him from earning his own living. And I hereby certify that he has no known, manifest, or discoverable, mental disorder; that he has no need of an attendant; that he may be properly allowed to go at large; and that he can safely be quartered with men who are old and feeble.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this *11th* day of *Feb*, A. D. 189*7*. And I certify that I am personally acquainted with said affiant, *Amos L. Norris*, and that I know him to be a physician in active practice, and in good repute, as an honest man and a capable physician, in the community and among his fellow physicians where he lives.

Amos L. Norris, M. D.
John F. Case ⁽¹⁶⁾ *N.P.*

CERTIFICATE OF SOLDIERS HOME SURGEON

I hereby certify upon honor that I carefully and critically examined *Wm. L. Johnson*, the above named Applicant, as to his mental and physical condition, at the Hospital of this Institution, on *Thurs* the *25th* day of *Feb.*, 189*7*; and that I then found him to be of a sound mind, and to be incapable of earning his living by reason of his physical disability arising from ⁽¹⁷⁾ *Chronic Muscular Rheumatism, & General debility of age*

Witness my hand, *C. E. Ehler*

ORDER ADMITTING APPLICANT.

The application of the said William G. Johnson, together with the said several certificates, signatures, and jurats, having been found to be duly and formally made, and the Superintendent being satisfied that the applicant has shown himself to be lawfully entitled to admission to the Home, -it is hereby ordered that he be and that he now is duly admitted as a member thereof, this 25 day of Feb, 1897.

W. H. Kirkwood Superintendent.

HOW TO FILL APPLICATION BLANKS.

- 0. Give full name of the Applicant.
1. Either "Mexico and the late Rebellion," or one of them.
2. Here say once, twice, or three times.
3. Here say once, twice, or three times.
4. Here say a wife, or no wife.
5. Here give their ages, from youngest to oldest.
6. Here give the name of any Home or other Institution of which he has been a member.
7. Here state, in his own words, what it is that ails or disables him.
8. Here Applicant will sign his full name, or make his mark.
9. Here the witness will sign his name.
10. Here write "Notary Public," "Justice of the Peace," or "Clerk of Court."
11. Here Applicant will sign his full name, or make his mark.
12. Signature and title of the Justice or Notary.
13. To be made and signed by any Judge of any county or state court, by any Mayor, County or Circuit Clerk, Justice of the Peace, Police Magistrate, or Adjutant or Commander of any G. A. Post.
14. Here write official title.
15. The physician will here state tersely, but fully, as far as he can learn, every cause or disorder that tends in any degree to render the Applicant incapable of earning his own living.
16. Name and official title of Notary or Justice.
17. Here state minutely what disorder, ailment, disease, or cause, it is that, in your judgment, disables the Applicant and renders him incapable of earning his own living.

SPECIAL INFORMATION FOR APPLICANT.

READ THIS CAREFULLY. For it will avail you nothing, when you come before the Superintendent for examination on the facts alleged by you in your application, to say you are ignorant of what is here and herein plainly and explicitly set forth for your information:

- 1. Have some capable person, who writes a fair hand, fill all the blanks in your application.
2. Have every blank in the application properly filled, and every Certificate, except that of the Surgeon of the Home, duly made and signed, and every jurat duly executed, signed, and sealed, by the Clerk, Notary or Justice of the Peace making the same.
3. Send your application, so prepared, by mail or otherwise, with your last discharge and all your pension papers, to the Superintendent of the Home.
4. On his receipt of your application, and your last discharge, and all your pension papers, all in due form, transportation will be sent you, and you will be ordered to report at the Home for examination by the Home Surgeon as to your disability, and for examination by the Superintendent as to the allegations of fact made by you in your application for admission.
5. If all your statements are found to be true, and the Surgeon finds you to be so far disabled as to render you incapable of earning your own living, you will then be admitted to the Home, and not otherwise.
6. If for any reason you are found not to be eligible for admission, you will not be admitted to the Home.
7. If you fail to be admitted, no transportation to your home will be furnished you. Therefore, you should bring sufficient money to pay your return fare.
8. When permitted to leave the Home, on Furlough, or on Pass of two or more days duration, you will be required to wear your citizens clothing. You will not be allowed to wear Home or State clothing, when so absent.

TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR ADMISSION.

- 1. The law requires that you shall have served in the U. S. A. service, in the army or navy, in the war with Mexico, or in the late Rebellion.
2. That you shall have been honorably discharged from that service.
3. That you shall have lived and resided, CONTINUOUSLY and in good faith, FOR THE LAST TWO YEARS, in the State of Illinois.
4. That you shall have been rendered INCAPABLE OF EARNING YOUR OWN LIVING, AND SHALL NOW BE INCAPABLE OF EARNING YOUR OWN LIVING, through the exigencies of your military service, by reason of old age, or by reason of some other PRESENT DISABILITY.
5. That you shall now have NO PROPERTY OR OTHER SUFFICIENT MEANS OF LIVING.
6. That you shall be of sane mind; that you shall not be in need of an attendant; that you shall be capable of ministering to your own personal wants; that you shall have NO CONTAGIOUS OR INFECTIOUS DISEASE that would render your residence in the Home DANGEROUS to others; that you may SAFELY be quartered with men who are feeble and incapable of self-defence.
7. NO INSANE OR DEMENTED PERSON CAN BE RECEIVED OR CARED FOR AT THIS INSTITUTION. The State has elsewhere provided for the care and treatment of such persons.

W. H. Kirkwood Superintendent.

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Claremore, Okla.
June 19, 1961

Ill., State Soldier's and Sailors Home.
Quincey, Ill.

Dear Sirs.

I am compiling family history and am writing you for some information concerning William G. Johnson b. 1834 LeRoy McLean Co., Ill. and his brother Joshua Johnson b. 1842 LeRoy McLean Co., Ill. Joshua was unmarried.

In our family research we have been informed both of these brothers died there at the Soldier's and Sailor's home and are buried there.

I have been informed they were in the Civil War and possibly went from Bloomington, Ill.

I understand William G. was married and possibly had 2-3 children.

Can you furnish me Joshua's full name, and date of birth and date of death, also what outfit did he serve with?

Also William's full name, date of birth and date of death and the outfit he served with?

Is any of William's family buried there with him?

If so please give their names, date of birth and date of death.

Trusting you can supply me with the above information.

Thanking you in advance for your help.

Sincerely
Harold Johnson

JUN 22 1961

June 22, 1961

Mr. Harold Johnson
321 $\frac{1}{2}$ E. 2nd
Claremore, Okla.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your inquiry of June 19th, we have no record of a Joshua Johnson ever having been a member of this institution.

A William G. Johnson was admitted here February 25, 1897 from Farmer City, DeWitt County, Illinois. He was born in Leroy, McLean County, Illinois on March 17, 1834 and expired in our hospital November 29, 1910 and was buried in the Home cemetery.

He was enrolled August 2, 1862 at Arma, Illinois and was discharged June 21, 1865 at Salisbury, N.C. He served as a Pvt. Co. I. 107 Illinois Vol. Inf.

At the time of his admission to the Home, records indicate that he had no wife but since he stated that he had 3 children, he was either divorced or widowed. Names of the children were not listed but Mrs. Janey Beach of Peoria, Illinois was to be notified in the event of an emergency and she may have been a daughter.

Children of veterans are not eligible for burial in the Home cemetery unless they would have been a war veteran themselves and we have no way of checking this information.

Yours truly,

James A. Schapers
Superintendent

By: D.F.H. Steinbeck
Adjutant

DFHS:rh

STATE OF ILLINOIS, }
 COUNTY OF ADAMS. } ss.

In the matter of the relationship of William G Johnson

, being first duly sworn according to law,
 deposes and says that he formerly resided at Farmer City Illinois,
 that he is _____ married, that his wife, _____
 resides at _____, and that the names, relationship and
 residences of all, and the relations only, of affiant who would be his heirs in the event of his death,
 at this time, are as follows, to-wit:

NAMES.	RELATIONSHIP.	RESIDENCE.
<u>J H Johnson</u>	<u>Brother</u>	<u>Leavenworth Kan</u>
<u>Geo B Johnson</u>	<u>Brother</u>	<u>Wheelie Okla</u>
<u>J L Johnson</u>	<u>Brother</u>	<u>Williamstown Kansas</u>
<u>Catherine Martin</u>	<u>Sister</u>	<u>Galesburg Illinois</u>
<u>Matilda Rudlidge</u>	<u>Sister</u>	<u>Cameron Iowa</u>
<u>Emeline Hill</u>	<u>Sister</u>	<u>Normal Illinois</u>
<u>Ellen McKinney</u>	<u>Sister</u>	<u>Peoria Illinois</u>

And further affiant saith not.

William G Johnson
1st day of Sept

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this _____
 A. D. 1909 B N Lester J P

Copy

SHORT WILL.

ILLINOIS SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' HOME, QUINCY, ILL.

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN.

I, William G Johnson of Illinois Soldiers' and Sailors' Home in the County of Adams and State of Illinois, being of sound mind and memory, and considering the uncertainty of this frail and transitory life, do, therefore, make, ordain, publish and declare, this to be my last, Will and Testament.

First. I order and direct that my Execut W hereafter named, pay all my just debts and funeral expenses as soon after my decease as conveniently may be.

Second. After the payment of such funeral expenses and debts, I give, devise and bequeath all worldly goods of which I may die possessed,

to Thomas A Johnson
St Joseph
Missouri

Lastly, I make, constitute and appoint William Somerville or his Successor in Office to be Execut or of this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all former Wills by me made.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal, the 1st day of Sept. in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and nine

William G Johnson [SEAL]

This instrument was, on the day of the date thereof, signed, published and declared by the said testator William G. Johnson to be his last Will and Testament, in the presence of us, who at his last request have subscribed our names hereto as witnesses in his presence, and in the presence of each other.

C N Lester