

executed before a Justice of the Peace his Official character must be certified to by County Clerk.
If final proof has not been made leave that part blank.

State of Missouri } SS:
County of Ripley

J. V. L.

PERSONALLY came..... W. A. Brooks....., who being duly sworn according to law,
do depose and say: That his age is... 51... years, that his occupation is... Doctor... and that
he resides in the County of... Ripley... State of... Missouri...; that he is the identical
W. A. Brooks... who, at... Patterson... in the State of... Missouri...
on, or about the... 6th... day of... August... A. D. 18... 64... enlisted in the military service of the United
States as a... Private... in Company... 1st... of the... 47th... Regiment of... Missouri... Volunteers, and who
was honorably discharged from said service at... St. Louis... in the State of... Missouri... on, or about the
... 25th... day of... March... A. D. 18... 65... by reason of... The expiration of term
of service & close of the war

That he herewith files on the back of this a certified copy of his Discharge { If copy cannot be given, state here fully what has become of his Discharge. }

He further swears, that he is the identical W. A. Brooks... who, under the name of
W. A. Brooks... on the... 29th... day of... June... A. D. 18... 68... at the United
States Land Office, at... Granton Mo.... made original Homestead application No. 1575...
for the... N.W. of S.W. 1/4... of section... 15... in township... 24... of range... 28... containing
... 40... acres and made satisfactory proof of his right of title thereto from the United States, at the Land Office at
... on or about the... day of... 18... 78... per
final certificate No. upon which he has... Pat.... received a patent. That because of said original
Homestead being of less area than one hundred and sixty acres, and by right of said military service, he makes this
application for the benefits of the provisions of Section 2306 of the Revised Statutes of the United States. And he
further swears, that he has not in any manner exercised his right to make an additional Homestead entry under said
Section No. 2306, either by previous entry or application; that he has not made any sale, or transfer of said right, or
given a power of attorney authorizing any person or persons to make such sale or transfer, but the same remains in him
wholly and unimpaired; and he hereby appoints J. VANCE LEWIS, of WASHINGTON, D. C., his Attorney to procure
a certificate of his right to additional land.

His Post Office address is... Pleasant grove... in the County of... Ripley...
and State of... Missouri...

ATTEST:

S. W. Brooks
N. J. Brooks

Signature of Applicant: W. A. Brooks

SwORN and subscribed to before me this the... 22^d... day of... May... A. D. 18... 78...

And I certify that the declarant and witnesses are known to me; that they are respectable and entitled to credit in their
statements; that the contents of the declaration and affidavit were read to them before execution, and that I am not
interested in the premises.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal the day and year first above written.

Thomas Mabey
Notary Public - Ripley County
Missouri