



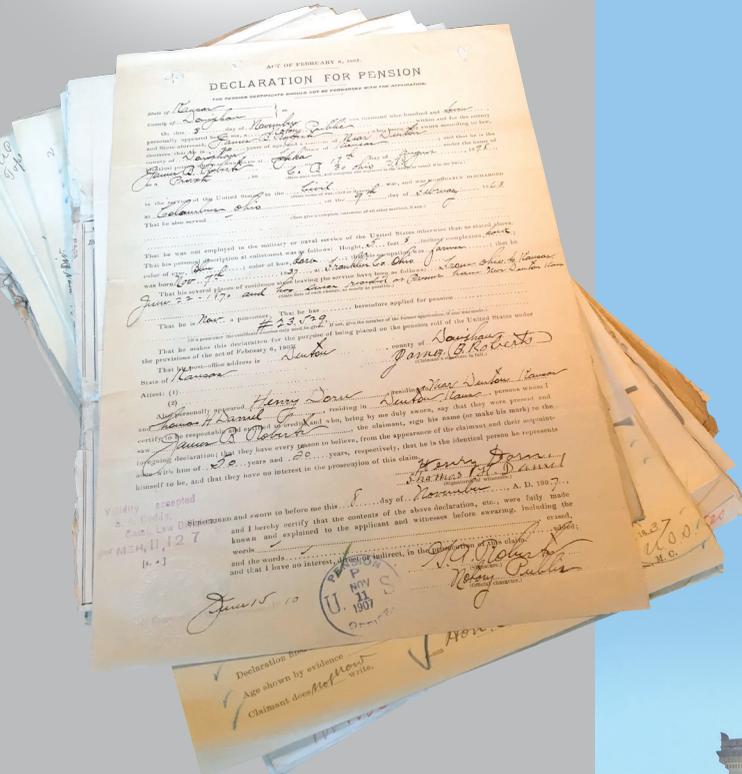
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# Military Record Retrieval & Research at the National Archives

Do you have ancestors who fought in the Union Army during the Civil War? Were they in any of the other wars from the 1800s? There is a good chance that their military records are at the National Archives in Washington DC.

Military records can be among the most genealogically significant sources you can find on your ancestors. They unfortunately can also be among the least accessible documents. The majority of these files are not online anywhere- they are only available at the National Archives.

We are at the National Archives on a regular basis and have retrieved and digitized hundreds of these files for our clients. Our rates are much lower than if you ordered these files directly from the National Archives, and you'll get the records back much quicker too. Contact us at [www.CivilWarRecords.com](http://www.CivilWarRecords.com) and let us help you find what you're looking for.



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18 Congressional District

**VOLUNTEER ENLISTMENT.**

STATE OF Ohio TOWN OF Boston

I, *John Timms* born in *Vermont* years, aged *twenty* Do HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE to have volunteered this *Twenty* day of *October* 1863, in the State of *Pennsylvania* and by occupation a *Farmer* to serve as a **Soldier** in the Army of the United States of America, for the period of **THREE YEARS**, unless sooner discharged by proper authority: Do also agree to accept such bounty, pay, rations, and clothing, as are, or may be, established by law for volunteers. And I, *John Timms* solemnly swear, that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the **United States of America**, and that I will serve them honestly and faithfully against their enemies or opposers whomsoever; and that I will observe and obey the orders of the President of the United States, and the orders of the officers appointed over me, according to the Rules and Articles of War.

Sworn and subscribed to, at *North Sumner* this *twenty* day of *October* 1863. *John Timms*

BEFORE *Simon Sumner* I CERTIFY, ON HONOR, That I have carefully examined the above named Volunteer, to the General Regulations of the Army, and that in my opinion he is free from all bodily defects or infirmity, which would, in any way, disqualify him from performing the duties of a soldier.

*to George*

I CERTIFY, ON HONOR, That I have minutely inspected the Volunteer, *John Timms* previously to his enlistment, and that he was entirely sober when enlisted; that, to my judgment and belief, he is of lawful age; and that, in accepting him as duly qualified to perform the duties of an able-bodied soldier, I have strictly observed the Regulations which govern the enlistment of volunteers. This soldier has *blue* eyes, *light* hair, *light* complexion, is *5* feet *6* inches high.

*Simon Sumner*  
C.A. 115 Regiment of Ohio

NAME OF SOLDIER:	<i>Timms, John</i>		
NAME OF DEPENDENT:	<i>Widow,</i>	<i>Timms, Mary A.</i>	
SERVICE:	<i>G. 188 Ohio Inf</i> <i>G. 115 Ohio Inf</i>		
DATE OF FILING.	CLASS.	APPLICATION NO.	CERTIFICATE NO.
<i>1872 Feb 12</i>	<i>Invalid,</i>	<i>170,326</i>	<i>124945</i>
<i>1912 June 6</i>	<i>Widow,</i>	<i>987,979</i>	<i>750,956</i>
	<i>Minor,</i>		
ATTORNEY:	<i>Ohio</i>		
REMARKS:			

The most commonly requested documents include:

**UNION ARMY PENSION FILES.** This is typically the best file to get. They usually tell information about his service in the war, his life after the war, and details about his family. They are usually between 50-100 pages long. These are available for soldiers of most of the wars that were fought in the 1800s.

**UNION ARMY COMPILED MILITARY SERVICE RECORDS.** These will tell if a soldier was transferred, promoted, deserted, killed, taken prisoner, etc. If his enlistment papers still exist, they'd be in this file as well.

**UNION ARMY CARDED MEDICAL RECORDS.** These are similar to the service records for each soldier, but they tell if the soldier was sick, injured, or hospitalized.

**UNION AND CONFEDERATE COMPANY'S RECORD OF EVENTS.** These don't usually mention specific soldiers by name, but they tell where the company was stationed at different points during the war and if they were engaged in a specific battle.

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