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New York State Adjutant General's Office Register of United States Colored Troops Who Filed Claims Against the Federal Government A4160

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Overview of the Records

Repository:	New York State Archives
Summary:	This volume records names of United States Colored Troops who filed claims against the United States for back pay and bounties for services during the Civil War. Each entry provides the following information: claim number; name; rank; company; regiment; date of enlistment; date discharged; and date claim was filed. Some entries provide the authorization by which the claimant was discharged and a notation whether the claim was settled or rejected. If the claim was settled, the amount is usually provided.
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Arrangement

Alphabetical by first letter of claimant's last name.

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Administrative History

It is unclear how this register, which deals with claims filed by United States Colored Troops against the federal government, came into possession of the State's Adjutant General's Office. No state laws pertaining to the filing or payment of back pay, pension, or bounty claims can be found. However, in the United States Statutes, Thirty Eighth Congress, Chapter 124, Section 4, Laws of 1864, provision is made for payment of such claims.

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Scope and Content Note

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Use of Records

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- Military history
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- New York (State)--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Claims
- Claiming
- Bounties, Military

- African American soldiers
- Soldiers
- New York (State). Military Department