

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

—TO THE—

GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

I..... do solemnly swear, that I have never, voluntarily borne arms against the United States, since I have been a citizen thereof; that I have voluntarily given no aid, countenance, counsel, or encouragement, to persons engaged in armed hostility thereto; that I have neither sought, nor accepted, nor attempted to exercise, the functions of any office whatever, under any authority, or pretended authority in hostility to the United States; that I have not yielded a voluntary support to any pretended government, authority, power, or constitution, within the United States, hostile or inimical thereto. And I do further swear that, to the best of my knowledge and ability, I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same, that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion: SO HELP ME GOD.

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STATE OF

County of

I, ..... do certify, that the aforeclaimed ..... , on this ..... day of ..... , A. D. 186 , did personally appear and take and subscribe the oath, as above, before me.