

SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY
BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE
COURTLAND, VIRGINIA
May 29, 1931

J. R. Combs, Comptroller
Commonwealth of Virginia
Department of Finance
Comptroller's Office
Richmond, Virginia

Dear Mr. Combs:

Mrs. Marical McItay, who is illiterate, has requested me to reply to your letter to her dated, May 16, 1931. Mrs. Gay made the following statement: "I do not know what kind of work my husband did in Courtland, but he was a claimant by trade. He must have made a mistake in giving his residence as Richmond, Virginia."

On April 31, 1931, in the second paragraph of your letter written to me in reference to this case it follows: "We do find a record of James H. Gay, and in view of the fact that he enlisted from Jerusalem, (now Courtland) Southampton County, we are inclined to believe he is the same man inquired of. Report will be ready."

Also you will find enclosed a copy of a record which you forwarded me dated, April 20, 1931.

Please let me kindly for prompt attention to this and send afflicted widow claim.

Very sincerely,
Mary S. Babb
Mary S. Babb, M.A.
Public Welfare