

## Volunteer enlistment, William Goodwin

**VOLUNTEER ENLISTMENT.**

STATE OF *New York* TOWN OF *Elmira*

I, *William Goodwin*, born in *Elizabethtown, N.Y.*  
in the State of *New York*, and being *thirty* years,  
and by occupation a *Physician*, do hereby acknowledge to have  
voluntarily enlisted in the *26th* *Regiment*, *U.S. Colored Troops*,  
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 per, or may be, con-  
sidered by law for volunteers. And I, *William Goodwin*, do  
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 all  
their enemies or opponents whatsoever; 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.

Enlistment made at *Elmira*,  
this *14th* day of *December*, 1863.  
Signed *William Goodwin*  
Witness *William J. Postman*

I CERTIFY, ON OATH, That I have carefully examined the above named Volunteer, according to  
the General Regulations of the Army, and that in my opinion he is free from all bodily defects and mental  
infirmities, which would, in any way, disqualify him from performing the duties of a soldier.

*W. C. Postman*  
Notary Public

I CERTIFY, ON OATH, That I have carefully inspected the Volunteer, *William Goodwin*,  
personally to his enrollment, and that he was duly sworn when enlisted; that, to the best of my  
judgment and belief, he is of lawful age; and that, in accepting him as hereby certified to perform the duties  
of an enlisted soldier, I have strictly observed the Regulations which govern the recruiting service.  
The within true *Subscribed* and sworn to before me this *14th* day of *December*, 1863.

*Wm. C. Postman*  
Notary Public

*Col. J. R. M. 27th 28, 1864*  
Signature of *William Goodwin*  
Enlistment Office.

Volunteer enlistment form for William Goodwin of the U.S. Colored Troops during the Civil War. Goodwin enlisted in Elmira, NY.

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