

"I do hereby certify that on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1865, at Columbia, S. C., the oath prescribed by the President of the United States in his Proclamation of December 8, 1863, was duly taken, subscribed, and made matter of record by *J. Douglas*, of *Richard*"

*Wynnfcott*

Capt. and Provost Marshal City of Columbia, S. C.

**OATH OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Headquarters City of Columbia, S. C.,  
NORTHERN DISTRICT, DEPARTMENT OF SOUTH,

PROVOST MARSHAL'S OFFICE,

COLUMBIA, S. C., JUNE 7<sup>th</sup>, 1865.

*J. Douglas* — aged 35 years, a resident of *Richard, S.*, do solemnly and sincerely promise and swear, that I utterly repudiate all allegiance to the so-called Confederate States of America, or any other power, State or Sovereignty whatsoever within the United States, hostile or inimical thereto; that I will to the best of my knowledge and ability, support and defend the Sovereignty of the United States, and the Constitution and Laws thereof, against all enemies, foreign or domestic; and that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same, performing all duties that may be required of good and lawful citizens. I do further swear, that I take this obligation, freely and willingly, without any mental reservation or secret evasion of purpose whatever, and that I will well and faithfully discharge its claims—“So HELP ME GOD.”

*Joseph Douglas*

Subscribed and sworn before me  
at Columbia, S. C., this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1865.

*Wynnfcott*

Capt. and Provost Marshal City of Columbia, S. C.