

SYNOPSIS  
OF  
DECISIONS OF THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT  
AND  
BOARD OF U. S. GENERAL APPRAISERS  
ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF  
TARIFF, IMMIGRATION, AND OTHER LAWS,  
FOR  
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1897.

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LYMAN J. GAGE, Secretary of the Treasury.

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1898.

*In cases of white soldiers, and officers, Indian soldiers, sutlers, post traders, laundresses, laundrymen, company tailors, and matrons:*

On sums not exceeding \$200, ten per centum.

On sums more than \$200 and less than \$800, ten per centum of first \$200 and five per centum of remainder thereof.

On sums of \$800 or more, \$50.

*In cases of colored soldiers:*

On sums of less than \$20, ten per centum.

On sums from \$20 to \$50, \$5.

On sums from \$50.01 to \$99.99, \$7.50.

On sums of \$100 or more, \$10.

Said fees include all expenses incident to the prosecution of the claim, except the notarial expenses; but no allowance will be made for such expenses in any case unless the certificate of the officer before whom the acknowledgment was taken states the amount of the fee paid and the name of the attorney who paid it.—Circular order of April 25, 1867; joint resolution of July 26, 1866 (14 Stat., 368); act of March 3, 1879 (20 Stat., 403), sections 179, 182, 183, and 193; Vol. 3. Decisions of the Second Comptroller; and the Second Comptroller's decision of Oct. 27, 1893.

T. STOBO FARROW,

*Auditor.*

Approved:

O. L. SPAULDING,  
*Acting Secretary.*

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(18094.)

*Assignment of duties to Assistant Secretaries of the Treasury.*

[Circular No. 82.]

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,

*Washington, D. C., June 3, 1897.*

OLIVER L. SPAULDING, *Assistant Secretary.*

To Assistant Secretary Spaulding is assigned the direction and supervision of all matters relating to the public business assigned to the following bureaus, offices, and divisions:

The Office of the Coast and Geodetic Survey;

The Bureau of Navigation;

The Bureau of Immigration;

The Office of the Life-Saving Service;

The Office of the Supervising Inspector-General, Steamboat-Inspection Service;

The Office of the Light-House Board;

The Office of the Supervising Surgeon-General, Marine-Hospital Service;

The Office of the Supervising Architect;

The Secret Service Division ;  
 The Miscellaneous Division, and  
 The Office of the Chief Clerk and Superintendent.

The signing of all letters and papers as Assistant Secretary, or "By order of the Secretary," relating to the business of the above-mentioned bureaus, offices, and divisions that do not, by law, require the signature of the Secretary of the Treasury.

WILLIAM B. HOWELL, *Assistant Secretary.*

To Assistant Secretary Howell is assigned the general direction and supervision of all matters pertaining to the Customs Service, and all matters relating to the public business assigned to the following bureau and divisions:

The Bureau of Statistics ;  
 The Division of Customs ;  
 The Division of Revenue Cutter Service ;  
 The Division of Special Agents, and  
 The Division of Stationery, Printing, and Blanks.

The signing of all letters and papers as Assistant Secretary, or "By order of the Secretary," relating to the business of the above-mentioned bureau and divisions that do not, by law, require the signature of the Secretary of the Treasury.

FRANK A. VANDERLIP, *Assistant Secretary.*

To Assistant Secretary Vanderlip is assigned the general direction and supervision of all matters relating to the public business assigned to the following bureaus and divisions:

The Office of the Treasurer of the United States ;  
 The Office of the Register of the Treasury ;  
 The Bureau of the Mint ;  
 The Bureau of Engraving and Printing ;  
 The Division of Public Moneys ;  
 The Division of Loans and Currency ;  
 The Division of Bookkeeping and Warrants, and  
 The Division of Mail and Files.

Also all matters pertaining to the Accounting Bureaus that require the action of the Secretary.

The signing of all letters and papers as Assistant Secretary, or "By order of the Secretary," relating to the business of the above-mentioned bureaus and divisions that do not, by law, require the signature of the Secretary of the Treasury.

So much of the circular letter of August 31, 1893, as relates to the personnel of the Service outside of the city of Washington is hereby revoked, and the Chief of the Division of Appointments is directed to refer to the Assistant Secretaries in charge of the respective branches of the Service all matters relating thereto.

L. J. GAGE, *Secretary.*