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If an officer has never been accountable for Clothing, Camp and Garrison Equipage, or Ordnance and Ordnance Stores, it is required by the Quartermaster General's and Ordnance Offices that an affidavit should be made and forwarded to those Offices, stating the fact of his non-responsibility, upon which Certificates of Non-Accountability will be issued. The officer will forward these certificates to this Office, with a letter of request for a Certificate of Non-Indebtedness, giving post office address, &c., in full, when his request will receive immediate attention.

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