

Charleston July 12th 1849

Dear Lincoln

Enclosed I send you a communication for the Appointment of Mr. Ferdinand Mayness as Register of the Land Office, at Charleston. Mr. Mayness is a grand Son of the Old Patriarch, Col. Pierre Menard, and has, in an eminent degree, inherited the honesty of the "good Old Man". His Appointment would not only give universal Satisfaction in this Region, but would enable General Taylor to Confer an Office, on the grandson of an Old, I have no doubt esteemed friend.

You will discover that one of the papers, is signed by Citizens of Charleston, who testify to the present incumbent's ~~incompetency~~ and to his unscrupulous interference in elections. This should be sufficient Cause for removal. The other paper contains the names of the most respectable and influential Citizens in the District.

You will confer a favour on your friends, in this Region, by presenting the enclosed papers to the proper Department, and urging the Appointment at as early a day as practicable; and you can use this letter, in any way that you may deem expedient.

Hon
A. Lincoln
Washington City

Your friend
O. P. Scrumb

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