

Hon. A. Lincoln

Vandalia Ill. June 11 1849.

Dear Sir.

On my return home from Washington my whig friends in this place (42 out of 47 whigs in the town) recommended me to Col. Baker for Receiver at this place. Upon the receipt of which Col. B. immediately sent me a recommendation to Mr. Ewing for the Office and which letter I forwarded to Mr. Ewing.

From the long acquaintance we have had I cannot for a moment believe that you have any unkind feelings towards me, and the object of this letter is merely to say that I hope you will not do anything against me.

It is not the Office I desire so much as it is my wish to counteract a base attempt on the part of one or two individuals here to injure my political standing with my Party.

Having understood that you were at Washington I have taken the liberty of addressing you, and without a desire on my part to boast will further say that I believe I could easily have obtained the almost unanimous recommendations of the whigs not only of this County, but the whole Sand district if I would have resorted to such means.

Your friend & obt Servt
J. D. P. Shuffe

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