

Washington, D.C.
April 19th 1853-

Sir

I am requested
by Mr. Claukey Barrette Capt of
Bangamon County Illinois - who was
a private in a Company Commanded
by you in the "Black Hawk War"
to apply to you for his discharge
he says he never has received as
yet a discharge - and desires it
at present with his claim for
Bounties Laws under act of March
3^d 1833 - You will much oblige Mr
Barrette by sending this discharge
to me by return mail -

Very Respectfully
Edw^d Lincoln Esqr }
Springfield Ill } Wm F Boggs

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Springfield, Ill., May 14, 1855

W. F. Boggs, Esq.

Kingston, Mo.

Although my Christian name is Abraham, and not Edward, the within letter is evidently intended for me— Whether I ever gave Mr. Barnett a discharge I can not remember, nor do I know whether it would now be proper for me give him one, not having, or knowing when to find, any of the old rolls or papers of my company— I do very well remember, however, that Clardy Barnett, a small man, with a scar on his face, and not far from my own age, which is now 40, did serve more than fourteen days (near forty I think) in the company of which I had the command as Captain, in Col. Thompson's Regiment of Mounted Volunteers, in the Black Hawk War of 1832— and that he was entitled to an honorable discharge— We went from Sangamon County, Illinois; and Samuel Whitenow of Madison Co, Ill., was our Brigade General—

Yours H

A. Lincoln.