

Petersburg Ills Nov. 6/58



Mr. A. Lincoln

Dear Sir,  
I am Administrator of the Estate of  
Deceased (Letters of Administration Read  
on or about the 3 day of January 1859)  
the Tonic & Petersburg Rail Road Co.  
laid in a claim of 2 Shares vs. Said  
Estate. I Refused to admit it, they sued  
& gained it in the Probate Court. I took  
an appeal to the Circuit Court.

Walker of Havana was my Council &  
Smith of Jacksonville for the Tonic  
& Petersburg Co. It was tried by the Court Judge  
Harriet no jury Smith asked for it  
to be taken under advisement &  
Decided at Beardstown Court  
which came off a few days ago in  
consequence of some books which could not  
be got here. Walker writes me on the 23<sup>rd</sup>  
last from Havana the case was Decided  
in my favor & that Smith will Probab-  
ly take an Appeal to the Supreme  
Court & that I will see to the case as  
it is doubtful about his being in atten-  
dence there this winter. ~~Know of this & that you to~~  
Appeal should be taken I wish you to  
attend to it for me if you can not be  
there get some suitable Lawyer to do  
it for & I will make it all right  
Please drop me a line so I may know you  
have Received this, your old friend as ever

Wm. McClellan

Wm. M. Veely

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Mar. 6, 1858

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