

South Carolina

Gagefield District

To His Excellency, Gov. Magrath

Dear Sir

I would most respectfully ask for a detail for my overseer C. L. Blair upon the following grounds to wit: I am in very feeble health, I am over seventy four (74) years old; the owner of over thirty slaves the most of whom are women & children C. L. Blair also has under his charge two other plantations, and the owns in Confederate Service, and upon said place, there are over fifty slaves which makes in all over eighty slaves that he has charge of - and no other white man to govern or control said slaves, and I would further state that there is over two hundred slaves refuges in less than one mile of my residence, which makes it of more importance not only to me but to this vicinity that he should be detailed. He has been overseeing for me for the last seven teen years. Respectfully Yours

Sworn to before me  
This 15<sup>th</sup> Feb<sup>y</sup> 1863  
W. D. Summing, Not. Pub.  
S. C.

Test. T. E. Jones

Sarah <sup>her</sup> Blair  
mark

South Carolina  
Edgefield District

Personally appeared  
before me J. F. Abney, and Mrs Lanny  
Jennings two respectable citizens of the  
District and State aforesaid who after  
being duly sworn with oaths that  
the within affidavit is true to the best  
of their belief This Feb: 11<sup>th</sup> 1868  
Sworn to before me } J. F. Abney  
W. Jennings Dist. Clerk } L. Jennings  
S. C.

We the undersigned citizens of Edgefield  
District would most respectfully ask  
that the within asked for detail be  
granted, as we are cognizant of the  
facts set forth by the applicant, and we  
would further state that ~~the~~ C. L. Blair  
is a good farmer, and a useful man in  
this vicinity

Stacey. W. Cantelton.  
Mary J. Jones  
S. C. Jennings  
J. F. Abney  
J. E. Jennings

C. H. Freeman  
Sarah S. Worsley  
Anna Wallon  
Sallie Meyer  
J. E. Holmes  
S. R. Toole

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Application  
of Mrs. McKin  
for Detach  
of  
D. H. Blair

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