

A Suit in the Supreme Court of the United States, which he is directed to institute against the Commonwealth of Virginia for the purpose of procuring a final and legal adjustment and settlement of the Southern and Western boundaries of this State." you are authorized to procure, at the expense of the State, copies of such Records or other Documents or papers as you may deem necessary in the performance of the said duty.

Joseph J. Merrick Esq.
Attorney at Law
Charleston

With great respect I have the honor to be your Obedient
H. S. Fullbright Clerk
of the Executive Council.

Council Chamber
Charleston June 9th 1834

Dear Sir,

I am instructed by the Governor and Council to inform you that, in virtue of a Resolution of the General Assembly, they have selected you and Joseph J. Merrick Esquire of Washington County, to assist the Attorney General in the prosecution of a suit in the Supreme Court of the United States, which he is directed to institute against the Commonwealth of Virginia for the purpose of procuring a final and legal adjustment and settlement of the Western boundaries of this State; and you are requested to collect and prepare the evidence written or oral to illustrate and establish the claims and pretensions of this State in regard to the said boundaries. you are authorized to procure, at the expense of the State, copies of such Records, or other Documents or papers as you may deem necessary in the performance of said duty.

Benjamin Esquire
Attorney at Law
Cumberland

With great respect I have the honor to be your Obedient
H. S. Fullbright Clerk
of the Executive Council.

Council Chamber
Charleston June 10th 1834

Dear Sir,

Judge Buchanan has placed in my hands the resignation of Judge Parle. I am not aware that the resignation will make an extra meeting of the Council to fill the vacancy necessary. The Court of Appeals is this time in session, but a quorum being in attendance, there is no necessity that the vacancy should be filled on that account. Indeed, I should presume that it would scarcely be expected or desired for a new Judge to take his Seat first in the Court of Appeals.

I have heard John L. Kerr Esquire, Senator Chamberlain and Judge Eccleston spoken of as probable competitors, and it is quite likely there may be others.

The evening you left here, I received a letter from Gen. Fitzhugh Sheriff of Washington County, with the militia accounts, I had returned to him to be certified and corrected, and also the inquiry which I have with