

it should be repealed by the Legislature; but whilst it remains upon the Statute Book, it would be surely an assumption of power on my part to annul it by granting a pardon to all who may be convicted and sentenced under its provisions

Very resp^t Yours Obed^t Serv^t
Thos G. Pratt

Executive Department
Nov^r the 23^d - 1846

Sir

I will thank you to examine the 37th Article of the old Constitution & the 8th Sect. of the Act of 1836 ch. 197, in connection with Resolution N^o 41 of Dec^r Session 1825, and write me whether in your opinion a Senator or Delegate elect to the Legislature could be constitutionally appointed Chancellor! I refer you to the 37th Article of the Old Constitution that you may observe that the words, "provided he shall qualify as such" which are therein contained are omitted in the corresponding section of the new & amended Constitution -

To
Geo. R. Richardson Esq
Atty. Genl. of Mo^o

With great Respect
Y^r Obed^t Serv^t
Thomas G. Pratt

The Gov. upon the application of a number of the Citizens of the City of Baltimore expressing their desire that the Gov. of Missouri would require the services of the Attorney General of that State in the trial of Harper accused of the murder of M^r Meredith a Citizen of this State, and on the application to the Gov. of Missouri & addressed to him the following letter.

To His Excellency
J. C. Edwards Gov^r of
Missouri

Executive Department
Annapolis
Dec^r the 12th - 1846

Sir

The enclosed communication from a member of the Citizens of this State of the highest standing was received at this department a few days since; & I take the liberty of respectfully submitting your Excellency to comply with their wishes, by requesting the professional assistance of the Atty. Genl. in the trial of M^r Harper

Thomas G. Pratt