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Hon Steph. H. Darden
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Dear Sir:

Your favor of the 14 instant is received. I am somewhat disappointed at the contents. As I already had one witness to the identification, one who volunteered at the same time with the applicant, served in the same company, was discharged at the same time and had remained with him nearly ever since; my understanding was that if I could get the certificates of persons who had known the applicant a long time, who would certify to his character, the reputation he bore and that he was recognized by the community in which he lived as a survivor of the revolution which separated Texas from Mexico, furnished you to say that this woman be