Shelbyville August 4th 1857

To the
Comr. of Claims,

Dear Sir, You will find enclosed my application for a Bounty land Warrant. I wish you to examine it and let me know if I am entitled to one, whether the said application is sufficient if entitled, should I be entitled to one, if there is any prescribed form of application please send me the necessary instructions, by so doing you will oblige

Yours &c
Wm E Roberts

Rec'd & informed he was paid Sept 17. 1857.