

To His Excellency Abraham Lincoln
President of the United States;

Your petitioners having learned that a vacancy exists in the Territorial Court of Utah - caused by the resignation of the Honorable Judge ~~W. H. King~~, beg leave to present the name of Hon. P. B. Locke of St. Joseph, Buchanan Co. Mo. as a suitable person to fill said vacancy. Judge Locke has for several years been a successful practitioner at the bar in this state and has also occupied positions of honor and trust from the people and by appointment of the Executive.

In every public position Judge Locke has exhibited unswerving integrity and firmness of character.

Since the breaking out of the Great Rebellion Judge Locke has taken an active part on the side of the Union and has identified himself with the Emancipationists of Missouri in the great struggle for freedom.

Your Excellency could not appoint a better or more thoroughly loyal man to fill the above-named vacancy.

Hoping our petition may meet with favor we remain
Your Obedient Servants,

Saml Bonner Mo Senator

W. G. Gantt ch cl H of R Mo

E. H. E. Jameson
Member of H of R.

Chas. P. Johnson, Member W of R

Elmer V. Thomas " "

R. B. Wingate, Member H of R,

Samuel King
Henry T. Henry

This Petition was forwarded to Washington to a
St Louis Gentleman and was not taken from
the office in consequence of Mrs Masony left
the city. I respectfully ask the President
to consider it with preference to any other
appointment in the Territories that he might
feel willing to confer. V B Locke

In making of return
mandation of
N. B. Locke
of Mo for
Judge in Utah.

Recd of Cd.
Aug. 24. 63