

Camp 154th Regt NY Vol Infy
Before Atlanta Ga.
Aug. 24, 1864

We the undersigned commissioned officers (company commanders) of the 154th Regt NY Vols. do hereby recommend that Rev Wm W Norton of Otto in the county of Cattaraugus be commissioned as chaplain of the 154th Regt.

John F. Wellman
1st Lieut 154th Regt NY Vols
Comp G & C

J M Gallagher 1st Lieut
154th Regt NYVI

James L Harding 1st Lieut
154th NY Vols

Charles W Church 2d Lieut
154th NY Vols

Stephen Welch, 1st Lieut
154th NY Vols

Byron A Johnston
1st Lieut 154th NYV

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Chas. Evans
A A Adjt Genl

September 12, 1864

We, five ministers of the Gospel of the Congregational Consociation of Western New York, do certify that the Rev William W. Norton of Otto in the county of Cattaraugus, is a regularly ordained minister of the Gospel, in good and regular standing in the Congregational Consociation of Western New York; and we respectfully ask that he be appointed and commissioned as chaplain of the 154th Regiment N.Y. Vols.

All which &c &c

Ministers of West. NY Cons {Thos H Rouse
W I Hunt
E D Chapman
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Samuel Porter

Two witnesses}
Homer N Dunning
Jas M Brown

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