

Ellicottville July 21, 1862

Hon Thomas Hillhouse
Adj Gen

Dear Sir

I believe I mentioned to you the other day that we had agreed to ask the appointment of Maj. Patrick H. Jones as Lt. Col. of the new Regt. to be raised in this the 32d Senatorial Dist. Maj. Jones is now of the 37th Regt. N.Y. Vols.

We want Maj. Jones here with as little delay as possible as he will be of great service to us in getting up our new Regt. I understand from Col. Fenton our M.C. that the secty of war has consented that he be detached for the purpose of gaining a new Regt. in that capacity.

Will you not procure an order or ____, as the case may require that he be detached & report to Governor Morgan & then that he be ordered on to the Depot in this Dist.

Our Regt. will be advanced far enough to muster in a Lt. Col. by the time he can get here now. If it can not be done in any other way, can he not be detached as a member of an examining Board & sent on, so that we may have his influence & assistance as speedily as may be.

Allow me to ask your early attention to this matter.

Respectfully Yours

A. G. Rice