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Description: George F. Shepley wrote to Edwin M. Stanton seeking permission to hire James C. Shepley, a cousin, as his military secretary.

[Seal] State of Louisiana, Executive Department New-Orleans, Decr 28th 1862 Sir

I have the honor to report for your action that on the 12th day of December instant I appointed, subject to the approval of the Depart ment of War, James C. Shepley Esq of Minnesota, as Military Secretary to the Military Gover nor of Louisiana

This appointment was made by one under the verbal instruction of the Secretary of War that I should be allowed such an officer -

He has been in the discharge of the duker of the office since the date of his a pointment a respectfully ask if the appourment Shall to approved that the rate of compendation may be Fixed by The decretary of Fran and that I may be instructed whether his salary will be beil at Walk ington or whether I shall be at libraly to pay it from The special Service fund placed in my hourds Just great respect I have the heartot your trovers

He has been in the discharge of the duties of the office since the date of his appointment

I respectfully ask if the appointment shall be approved that the rate of compensation may be fixed by the Secretary of War and that I may be instructed whether his salary will be paid at Wash ington or whether I shall be at liberty to pay it from the special service fund placed in my hands

With great respect
I have the honor to be
Your Obedient

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Servant*

G.F. Shepley Military Governor of Louisiana

Hon E. W. Stanton Secretary of War Washington

D. C.

* As I have now on my staff only an Asst. Adjt. General and one Aide de Camp I should esteem it a favor if he could be commissioned as Captain and detailed to special service on my staff as Military Secretary