

My Dear Office
4 June 1862

Sir

The Secretary of the Interior, at the request of the Attorney General, has transmitted to you a draft for fifteen hundred dollars to be expended under the direction of the Attorney General, in the business of California land claims -

This money is to be paid to John B. Williams Esq. when he shall have performed certain professional services for the Government under a contract made with the Attorney General. When the ^{U.S.} District Attorney at San Francisco shall furnish you a certificate that ~~you~~ ~~Williams~~ ~~has~~ ~~acted~~ ~~as~~ ~~the~~ ~~land~~ ~~cases~~ ~~now~~ ~~pending~~ ~~under~~ ~~the~~ ~~Act~~ ~~of~~ ~~3~~ ~~March~~ ~~1851~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~U.S.~~ ~~District~~ ~~Court~~ ~~for~~ ~~the~~ ~~Northern~~ ~~District~~ ~~of~~ ~~California~~, ~~and~~ ~~have~~ ~~been~~ ~~argued~~ ~~and~~ ~~submitted~~ ~~to~~ ~~the~~ ~~Court~~, including the three cases, U.S. vs City of Sonoma No 423 - U.S. vs White & Brainerd, No. 426 and U.S. vs City of San Francisco No. 427; ~~you~~ ~~will~~ ~~and~~ ~~that~~ ~~Mr~~ ~~Williams~~ ~~has~~ ~~acted~~ ~~therein~~ ~~faithfully~~ ~~and~~ ~~diligently~~ ~~acted~~ ~~therein~~ ~~as~~ ~~the~~ ~~counsel~~ ~~for~~

The United States, you will
please pay the amount of
Fifteen hundred dollars to Mr.
Williams turning proper vouchers
therefor and advising the Attorney
General of your action

Very respectfully
Your obedient servant
- J. J. Coffey -

App. Agent

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J. J. Coffey
15th May

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