

Springfield Illinois
Dec. 16th 1862

May Gen. H W Halleck,
Gen. in Chief.

Having substantially accomplished the purpose of the order sending me to the states of Indiana Illinois and Iowa, by forwarding upwards of 40,000 troops, as more particularly explained in my letter of the 1st inst to the Secretary of War and referred by him to you, I beg to be sent forward in accordance with the order of the Secretary of War of the 21st of October, giving me command of the Mississippi expedition.

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servt

John A. McClernand
May. Gen



Springfield Illinois
Dec 10 1853

Chief in Chief

Having substantially accomplished
the purpose of the order bearing me to the State of Illinois
Illinois and Iowa, by forwarding reports of 10000 troops, as
more particularly explained in my letter of the 12th inst to the
acting of you and referred by you to your, I beg to be sent forward
in accordance with the order of the Secretary of War of the
2^d of October, giving me command of the Mississippi expedition.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
John A. McKeon

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Maj. Gen. USA